

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Feast of St. Michael & All Angels
September 29, 2023 | 9:00 am



Welcome

We acknowledge with gratitude and respect our presence on the ancestral, traditional and un-ceded territory of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́lilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations.

Welcome to this St. James' "Liturgy at Home", which gathers together a community of worship for those prevented for various reasons from being in church for the celebration of Solemn Mass at 10:30 am on Sundays. For times for weekday Mass (in church) and Daily Office (online), please see the Notices pages at the end of this bulletin.

You are invited either to share in this Liturgy at 9:00 am on Sunday via Zoom, or to use its as an aid to your prayers at home. You will draw strength, we hope, from the knowledge that fellow-parishioners will be praying alongside you.

The Parish Intercession Lists are being prayed daily. Please make any requests to the Parish Office at office@stjames.bc.ca.

About St. James'

St. James' is an inclusive Christian community, worshipping in the Anglo-Catholic tradition. For more information, please see our website: www.stjames.bc.ca

VISION STATEMENT

Discovering the beauty of holiness in our lives and neighbourhood, by living a Christ-centred sacramental life rooted in the Anglo-Catholic tradition.

MISSION OBJECTIVES

- To be a beacon for all as a neighbourhood and destination church where we invite and welcome friends, family, and strangers into our midst;
- To deepen our life of prayer and formation in Christ;
- To develop relationships and fellowship in open, honest, and spiritual ways among parishioners, with our neighbours, and those in need;
- To pursue and practice justice and mercy for the imparting of the Kingdom of God within and beyond the Parish;
- To strive to maintain financial equilibrium, develop our reserves, and optimize the use of our assets to ensure the preservation of our sacred space and ministry from generation to generation, to the everlasting glory of God.

A Reflection

O indescribable beauty of God most high,
O pure radiance of everlasting light,
O life that gives life to all life,
O light that illuminates every light,
And preserves in undying splendour
The myriad flames before the throne of your Godhead
from the dawn of time.
O water eternal and inaccessible,
Clear and sweet,
Flowing from the spring that is hidden from the eyes of mortal men:
O spring whose depths cannot be plumbed,
Whose height cannot be measured,
Whose shores cannot be charted,
Whose purity cannot be muddied.
From this source flows the river
Which makes glad the city of God,
So that with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving
We sing to you hymns of praise,
And by experience prove
That with you is the fountain of life,
And in your light we shall see light.

A prayer of praise by St Bonaventure (AD 1274)

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

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+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

HYMN

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones
Raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' Choirs,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.
Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,
all slander and malice,
and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Woe is me, for I am lost;
I am a person of unclean lips.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Our guilt is taken away,
and our sin is forgiven.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and keep us in eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
+art most high in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order
the ministries of angels and mortals.

Grant that as your holy angels stand before you in heaven,
so at your command

they may help and defend us here on earth;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Genesis.

Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place and I did not know it!" And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

(Genesis 28:10-17)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

The Lord has set his throne in heaven,
and his kingship has dominion over all.

**Bless the Lord, you angels of his, you mighty ones who do his bidding,
and hearken to the voice of his word.**

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts,
you ministers of his who do his will.

**Bless the Lord, all you works of his, in all places of his dominion;
bless the Lord, O my soul.**

(Psalm 103:19-22)

SECOND READING

A reading from the Revelation to John.

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world - he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, "Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

(Revelation 12:7-12)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia. Holy Michael Archangel, defend us in the day of battle: that we perish not in the dreadful judgment. **Alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

(John 1:47-51)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

Father Neil Fernyhough

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father,
**from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

We believe in God the Son,
**who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
**who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

We believe in one God;
**Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray:

Intercessor

God in heaven,

by Christ's blood, we are ransomed to you,
and are united to you for eternity.

As the angels minister to you in heaven,
strengthen your Church to serve you here on earth.

Bless Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury;

- the United Church of Pakistan,
- Anne our Acting Primate; Lynn our Metropolitan; and John our Bishop,
- Archbishop Christopher and lay readers and catechists in Indigenous parishes throughout Canada
- Bishop Benny and our companion diocese of Northern Philippines.
- in our Diocese, the Archdeaconry of Fraser, the Deanery of Yale,
- and our parish of St. James.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God in heaven,

when the angels greeted the birth of Christ
they sang for joy "Glory to God and peace on earth."

Bless with Christ's peace the nations of the world.

Bring to an end war, famine, and drought throughout all the earth.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God in heaven,

Christ promised to your children

the care of the guardian angels who look upon your face.

Protect by your mercy our neighbours, families and friends;

Among them Edgar; Stan; Darryl; Graham; Yariel; Scott; Chantele; Lucy; Olivia;
and The Woman's Mobile Primary Care Team

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God in heaven,
you give your angels charge over those who trust in you
to guard them in all their ways. Be with those in trouble: Nita Firestone; Heather
Dillashaw; Betty Chong; Byron; Julianna; Louise Bass; Jan Lowe; Kenny Landherr;
Caitlin; Bryan & Karin; Vivian Lam; Paul & Dorothy; Darragh; Celia; Geoff; Nancy
Zimmerman; Rich & Joanne; Keith Fenton, Jr; John Jeacocke; Coretta Peets; survivors
of Residential Schools, and their families and loved ones.
Rescue them and show them your salvation.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

God in heaven,
your angel declares “Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.”
“Blessed indeed,” says the Spirit,
“for they may rest from their labours,
for they take with them the record of their deeds.”

Enfold in your love all those who have died recently, and all those whose
anniversary of death we commemorate at this time: Violet Nairn; Lillian Bethune;
John Leslie Chick; Mary Dantu; Gwen Manual; Margaret Carter-Kussey; Gerald
Clapp; James Retter; Clifford Sinclair; Marion McLaren; John Bailey; Elizabeth
Armanini; Margery Mackay; Preston Henry; and for the children who died at
Residential Schools, with places of burial known and unknown.

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.
And may light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
Amen.

Celebrant

God in heaven,
the angels sing by day and night around your throne:
“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty.”
With Michael, prince of the angels, who contends by our side,
with Gabriel, your herald, who brings glad tidings,
with Raphael, the protector, who ministers your healing,
and with the whole company of heaven,
we worship you, we give you glory,
we sing your praise and exalt you for ever.
Amen.

ADDRESS

Elder Kelvin Bee

Spiritual Communion

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*As we are unable to receive the Blessed Sacrament at this time,
meditate quietly for a moment on these words of Jesus from St. John 6:*

"I am the Bread of Life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Then, in union with the Body of Christ in every time and place, pray:

O come to my heart, Lord Jesus. There is room in my heart for thee.

HYMN

Great Source of all glory and wisdom and light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

you long to feed us with the bread of angels.

May we who come under their protection,

like them give you continual service and praise;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE GRACE

The peace of God which passes all understanding,

keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,

and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

May the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ,

+and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

be with us all evermore.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SALVE REGINA

Hail, Mary, mother and queen of tender mercy,
our life, our comfort, and our hope, we hail thee.
From this foreign land, Eve's sons and daughters cry to thee.
So lost, so full of fear, we mourn, we grieve, we sigh
from this tearful vale of exile.

Ah then, our help, our advocate and guide,
turn now to us, the gaze of thine all loving-eyes, so full of mercy.
And Jesus, thy Son and Lord, thy womb's most blessed fruit,
show him to us when we complete our sojourn.
O gentle, O loving, O beloved, O Virgin Mary.

Clergy Notes

This past Wednesday, the clergy of our Diocese gathered around the topic of missional change in the church, especially in relation to the presence of newcomers to our neighbourhoods from other parts of the world. This topic is always relevant in a place like ours, and will continue to be ever more relevant as the church of our forebears looks less and less like the one we are seeing today.

It is also a difficult topic because we tend to perceive change of any kind as a threat. Our brains and bodies are wired to maintain homeostasis so it is understandable that we may - consciously or unconsciously - perceive change as a disruption to our peace, even if we believe it is good. For example, if you have ever been on a diet, you may recognize the feeling: a perceived loss of all things familiar and loved, replaced by things you know are good for you, but are perhaps not as appetizing!

And yet, growth only happens through change, both in our bodies and in our lives... as well as in the church. And - despite our perceptions - change in the church is not a diet; it is not the loss of all that is familiar and good, so much as the addition of good things to complement the things that are worth celebrating and keeping.

What might happen if we were to trust God to hold and guide us through the changes we face in our time; to richly provide us with good things, just as God has always done? Of course we will feel some discomfort, but there can also be joy and hope, knowing we are becoming who God has envisioned us to be, in our own time and place.

Our parish has already experienced great changes over the past few years, and is on the brink of undergoing a great many more changes over the next couple of years. I hope you are able to notice and celebrate the many ways in which we as a community have exercised both flexibility and resilience in the face of those changes, and that it may give you confidence that God is indeed active and present here, and will continue to hold and guide the parish and people of St. James' for many years - hopefully many generations! - to come.

Please keep the parish of St. James' and its leadership in your prayers as we prepare for the changes ahead. May we know the joy and peace of Christ which abides with us always, as we continue to be God's holy church in this time and place.

Mother Amanda

Notices

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Saturday	4:00 pm: Vigil Mass in church
Sunday	9:00 am: Liturgy at Home via Zoom 10:30 am: Solemn Mass in church
Weekdays	12:10 pm: Monday, Wednesday, Friday in church 9:30 am: Tuesday, Thursday in church

OBSERVANCES

This week marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. As we remember in penitence and sorrow the painful history of Residential Schools and acknowledge their ongoing impact on generations of Indigenous families, we commit our Church and ourselves to continue to walk the Path of Reconciliation. We are especially grateful for the contributions of Elder Kelvin Bee during the service today, and for this moving article written by Elder Nii K'an Kwsdins (Jerry Adams): stjames.bc.ca/2023/09/grieving-for-our-children

MASS CANCELLATION

There will be no Mass on **Monday or Tuesday** this week, due to the stat holiday observance.

AWAY

Mother Amanda and Father Matthew will be away from **September 29 to October 5**.

GUEST PREACHER ON DEDICATION SUNDAY

We are very pleased to be welcoming the Archbishop of York, the Most Reverend and Right Honourable Stephen Cottrell, as our esteemed guest preacher for Solemn Mass on **Sunday, October 6**, the celebration of the dedication of St. James' Church. All are welcome!

BIBLE STUDY

On Wednesdays at 1:00 pm, we hold Bible Study in the library of the Parish Centre and via Zoom. Each week we explore a passage of scripture (we will be studying the letters of Paul from now until Advent) and wonder together about its meaning and implications for our lives as Christians today. All are welcome! No registration required. If you would like to be sent the reading and questions ahead of time, please contact Mother Amanda.

Zoom Meeting ID: 841 6396 2965

Zoom Passcode: 247805

THE DAILY OFFICE

The Daily Office is said online via Zoom **Monday through Saturday at 9:00 am and 5:00 pm**. Join via Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

Zoom Meeting ID: 986 3976 8391

Zoom Passcode: 762469

FRIDAY NIGHT COMPLINE

You are invited to join this small but lively group of people, praying Compline together from the BCP. We meet at **9:00 pm Friday nights**. Bring your own book, or contact Mtr Amanda for the PDF order of service. Join via Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

Zoom Meeting ID: 272 505 973

Zoom Passcode: 688517

GIVING

Thank you to all those who are giving generously to St. James' in these difficult times. Your ongoing support is much appreciated. To donate online, please visit stjames.bc.ca/donate to make a one-time or monthly donation using Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Visa Debit, or PayPal. Regular givers are invited to set up a PAD/Credit Card payment. For info email envelope.secretary@stjames.bc.ca.

Lectionary

DATE	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	DAILY MASS	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON Sept 30 St. Jerome, Teacher of the Faith, 420	Ps 89:1-18; Hos 2:14-23; Acts 20:17-38	Job 1:6-22; Ps 17:1-7; Lk 9:46-50	Ps 89:19-52; 2 Kgs 17:24-41; Lk 5:1-11
TUES Oct 1 St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Religious and Teacher of the Faith, 1897	Ps 97, 99; Hos 4:1-10; Acts 21:1-14	Job-3:1-3, 11-23; Ps 88:1-8; Lk 9:51-56	Ps 94; 2 Chr 29:1-3, 30:1, 10-27; Lk 5:12-26
WED Oct 2 Holy Guardian Angels	Ps 101, 109:1-4, 20-30; Hos 4:11-19; Acts 21:15-26	Job 9:1-16; Ps 88:10-15; Lk 9:57-6	Ps 119:121-144; 2 Kgs 18:9-25; Lk 5:27-39
THUR Oct 3 Feria	Ps 105:1-22; Hos 5:8-6:6; Acts 21:27-36	Job 19:21-27; Ps 27:10-18; Lk 10:1-12	Ps 105:23-45; 2 Kgs 18:28-37; Lk 6:1-11
FRI Oct 4 St. Francis of Assisi, Friar, Founder of the Friars Minor, 1226	Ps 102; Hos 10:1-15; Acts 21:37-22:16	Job-38:1, 12-21, 40:1-5; Ps 139:1-17; Lk 10:13-16	Ps 107:1-32; 2 Kgs 19:1-20; Lk 6:12-26
SAT Oct 5 Feria	Ps 107:33-43; 108:1-6; Hos 11:1-9; Acts 22:17-29	Job 42:1-6, 12-17; Ps 119:169-176; Lk 10:17-24	Ps 48, 122 Hag 2:1-9 1 Cor 3:9-17
SUN Oct 6 Dedication of St. James' Church	Ps 132 1 Kgs 8:1-13 Jn 10:22-30	Rev 21:9-14; Ps 122; 1 Pet 2:1-10; Jn 10:22-29	Ps 29, 46 1 Kgs 8:54-62 Heb 10:19-25

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