



Welcome to

Saint Mary's Episcopal Church

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The Fourth Sunday in Lent

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Dear members and friends of St. Mary's,

I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who is our constant hope and strength. We Christians have met countless dangerous challenges over the centuries because we know that "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." (Psalm 46:1) and that he provides the ultimate security of eternal life.

In this present COVID-19 crisis, we are called, as we always are, to love God by loving ourselves and our neighbors. This means taking all reasonable measures to keep ourselves safe and not to endanger others. Please visit one of the many examples of practical guidance.

Here is what St. Mary's is doing.

- Effective immediately for at least two weekends Sunday worship will be without a congregation. This means that a handful of people (less than ten) will celebrate the Eucharist at 10:00 am on Sunday and stream it live on Facebook and YouTube so that you can participate at home. The videos will be archived so that you can watch them at any time.
 - The 5:00 pm Saturday and the 8:00 Sunday Eucharists are cancelled for two weeks.
- Weekday worship will continue as scheduled. These services have only a handful of people so are within the current guidelines and enable us to keep a safe distance from one another. Many of these services will be streamed. Please do not feel any obligation to attend. We are maintaining them so that worship and prayer continue to be offered to God every day at St. Mary's, for the church and for the world.
 - The Wednesday noon Eucharist will be at the main altar so that people can be spread out throughout the church.
- Pastoral visits in person are suspended except for last rites. Clergy and pastoral ministers will be reaching out by phone and email to stay in touch and to offer prayer and spiritual communion.
- Most studies and meetings are suspended or will be held by videoconference. Please check before coming.
- Penny Wise is closed until further notice.

We will have more details about how to worship online and other matters tomorrow but I wanted to make sure you got this word right now.

When St. Paul writes to his Christians in Philippi saying, "Do not worry about anything," he does not mean be careless but be wise. He goes on to write:

In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known to God.

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

May God bless and keep you.

Fr. Michael



RECONCILIATION OF A PENITENT: A Ministry from God

There are seven Sacraments in the Episcopal Church; and the two most important are Baptism and the Eucharist, since they were instituted directly by Jesus Christ. The additional five are: Confirmation, Ordination, Holy Matrimony, *Reconciliation of a Penitent*, and Unction. Concerning Reconciliation of a Penitent, there are several sources from Holy Scripture which are particularly noteworthy pertaining to the forgiving of sins: From the Gospel according to St. John: "...he (Jesus) breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld'". And from 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 St. Paul writes: "All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, *and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.*"

The Ministry of Reconciliation was a preoccupation of the Early Church, and over the centuries a number of liturgies and rites evolved for accomplishing it; yet it wasn't until the most recent 1979 edition of the Episcopal Church's Book of Common Prayer that there was a rite specified for the Reconciliation of a Penitent. Actually there are two forms available but Form One is the most widely used; but the intent is the same for both: "...a (sacramental) rite in which those who repent may confess their sins to God in the presence of a priest and receive the assurance of pardon and the grace of absolution" (Book of Common Prayer, page 861). Typically a person desiring for absolution through confession contacts a priest for setting an appointment; or the parish sets aside a date(s) and time(s) for hearing confession; and both options are available at St. Mary's. There are variables depending upon a parish's facilities for hearing a confession, but at St. Mary's there is a quiet room off the Narthex intended in part for this purpose. Obviously this provides for greater privacy and confidentiality. It is important to note that the purpose, the spiritual ascetic at work, is to be fully reconciled to God through the unburdening of those conditions and circumstances ("thought, word, and deed") that have caused us to be distanced from him.

Why is this important? Why is this meaningful? In the Gospel according to St. Mark 2:5-7, we read: "When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, 'Son, your sins are forgiven'. Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, "Why does this fellow speak this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" In other words, the forgiveness of sins, and reconciliation to God, was of paramount importance to Jesus, and it spoke to his Divine nature, power, and authority. As noted above, among Christ's last acts was to give his apostles and thereby the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church, through its priests, in conjunction with the Holy Spirit, the power and authority to absolve us, through confession, of our sins and be reconciled to God. We do this, of course, through our liturgy in a collective manner; but confession and reconciliation on an individual basis, in private with an empathetic priest will engender an even greater reality of absolution and reconciliation. Seek out a priest this Lent, make your confession, be reconciled to God, be unburdened, experience the depth of God's love and grace, and rise renewed.

The Season of Lent

During the penitential season of Lent, the Church gives up her expressions of joyous praise. The *Gloria in Excelsis* is not used at the Eucharist and *Alleluia* is excluded from all services until the Easter Vigil.

“I invite you, therefore, in the Name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance: by prayer, fasting and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s Holy Word”. (BCP page 265)

Please develop and keep the Rule of Life for Lent.



The Gathering of the People

Prelude: “Songs of Comfort” Medley

Introit: Rejoice, O Jerusalem; and gather round, all you who love her; rejoice in gladness, after having been in sorrow; exult and be replenished with the consolation flowing from her motherly bosom. I rejoiced when it was said unto me: “Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

When the bell rings please all stand.

Opening Hymn “**Jesus Lover of My Soul**” Hymnal 699

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: **His mercy endures forever.**

Collect for Purity

Cantor: Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, ———

Cantor: Christe eleison. Christe eleison. Eleison, eleison.

Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Liturgy of the Word (Please be seated)

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 23 (*Cantor*)

- 1 The LORD is my / shepherd; *
I shall not / be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green / pastures *
and leads me beside / still waters.
- 3 He revives / my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for / his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no / evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, / they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who / trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is / running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of / my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the / LORD for ever.

Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light — for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation

Ostinato Refrain

(hum) A - do - ra - mus te Do - mi - ne.
We a - dore you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

Text: *We adore you, Lord*; Taizé Community, 1978
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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Cantor: I rejoiced when it was said unto me: "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" Let peace reign within your walls, and abundance in your towers.

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John 9:1-41

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the

Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon (*Please be seated*) Father Rowe

The Nicene Creed..... BCP 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Cantor: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Bonita Springs, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air [or through outer space], let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Kimberly, Barbara, John, Anne, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph and of all the] saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Confession and Absolution

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace
Announcements

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory antiphon: Praise the Lord, for he is loving; sing in honour of his name, for he is gracious. He has accomplished what-ever he resolved to do in heaven and on earth.

Offertory Solo: **“Amazing Grace”**arr. D. Nelson

At the Presentation all join in singing (*please stand*) (*Verse 5*).....Hymnal 143

*O Father, Son and Spirit blest,
to thee be every prayer addressed,
who art in three-fold Name adored,
from age to age, the only Lord!*

Eucharistic Prayer A.....BCP 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

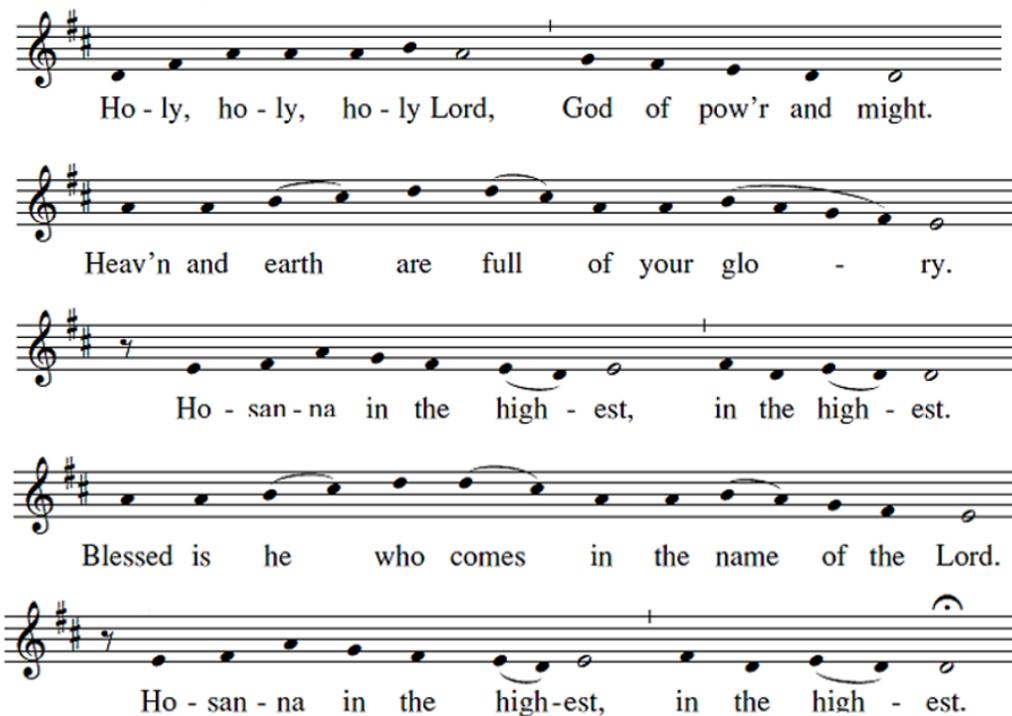
Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

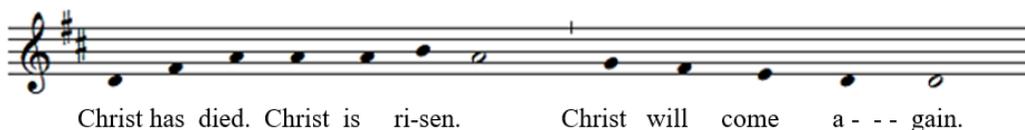
Sanctus.....Hymnal S 130



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might.
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est, in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est, in the high - est.

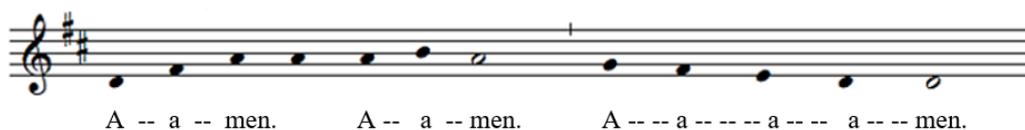
Prayer of Consecration (*Please kneel*) BCP 362

Memorial AcclamationF. Schubert



Christ has died. Christ is ri-sen. Christ will come a - - gain.

Great Amen (*F. Schubert*) BCP 363



A -- a -- men. A -- a -- men. A --- a --- a --- a --- a --- men.

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread BCP 364

Christ Our Passover..... Hymnal S 156

Agnus Dei .. Hymnal S 161

The Invitation

Communion of the Faithful

A reader will lead you in the following prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

For those present in church Holy Communion will be administered in one kind only (only the host not the chalice)

Communion Antiphon: Let your face shine on your servant, and save me by your love Lord, keep me from shame, for I have called to you. In you , O Lord I take refuge. Let me never be put to shame. In your justice set me free, hear me and speedily rescue me. Be a rock of refuge for me, a might-stronghold to save me. For your name's sake, lead me and guide me. Release me from snares they have hidden for you are my refuge, Lord Into your hands I commend my spirit. It is you who will redeem me, Lord. But as for me, I trust in you, Lord, I say: "You are my God. My life is in your hands, deliver me from the hands of those who hate me,"

Post Communion Prayer BCP 366

Almighty and ever living God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn: "**Oh for a Thousand Tongues**" Hymnal 493

Dismissal (*The people respond: Thanks be to God*)

Special Intentions for the Prayers of the People

This week we pray in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, for Masvingo (Central Africa) The Right Revd. Godfrey Tawonezwi, Virgin Islands (The Episcopal Church) The Right Revd. Ambrose Gumbs, Hpa-an (Myanmar) The Right Revd. Saw Mark Maung Doe, Pray for the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, The Most Revd. Paul Kwong - Archbishop of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui & Bishop of Hong Kong Island

For the Diocese of Southwest Florida – The Rt. Rev. Dabney T. Smith; Companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Companion Diocese of Georgia; Companion Diocese of South Carolina; Companion Diocese of Eastern Louisiana; St. Michael and All Angels, Sanibel; St. Monica's, Naples; St. Nathaniel's, North Port; St. Paul's, Naples; St. Peter's Cathedral, St. Petersburg; St. Peter's, Plant City

- for all who are suffering from the coronavirus.
- for medical researchers and laboratory technicians.
- for Harvest time ministry and the care they provide for migrant families
- for those that have lost their jobs due to the pandemic.
- for the students, tutors and faculty of New Horizons after school program.
- In thanksgiving for the life ministry and intercessions of the blessed virgin Mary
- for those who suffer in mind, body or spirit, especially John, Kimberley, Anne, Barbara and those on the Pastoral Care list.
- Patrick Cox, Brian Fuller, Brandon Hoekstra, Amos Kelley, Timothy Kull, Sean Lankford, Kevin Latimer, John Joseph Moore, Joseph Parini, Gabriel Parini, Erin Peterson, Scott Turner, Andrew Lankford, and for all chaplains on active deployment both at home and abroad.
- for the Divine love and mercy to sanctify all souls departed: especially Kenneth Strickland.

We offer our prayers in union with those of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph and all the saints.

The Holy Eucharist is offered on Tuesday at 5:30 pm for those who defend the poor and disadvantaged, on Wednesday in thanksgiving for the life and ministry and intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and on Thursday at 7:30 am for unwed mothers and their children.

Keeping Lent

Weekend worship will be on Sunday at 10 am only and available to parishioners by live streaming only. Page 16 of the bulletin gives details.

Weekday Eucharist on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday continue as usual as does Evening Prayer on Monday through Saturday and Morning Prayer on Tuesday at 10 am. Why not take part this Lent?

Stations of the Cross are offered every Friday at noon during Lent. Please arrive at least 5 minutes before noon to prepare in silence.

A Display Table in the narthex has booklets and other resources to introduce us to Lent. Please have a look and place money in the box on the wall where the Forward Day by Day booklets are.

Save The Date

- ❖ April 5-11 Holy Week
- ❖ April 12 Easter

Our rector, Fr. Michael Rowe will be retiring at the end of April. His last Sunday with us is April 25/26. There will be a farewell reception for him on Saturday afternoon, April 25 from 2 to 4 pm.

Schedule at St. Mary's as influenced by the current situation

Everything on this list is happening.

Monday		
March 23	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Tuesday	10:15 am	Morning Prayer
March 24	12:45 pm	Staff Meeting
	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
	5:30 pm	Holy Eucharist
	8:00 pm	AA Empathy Meeting
Wednesday	12:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
March 25	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday	7:30 am	Holy Eucharist
March 26	9:00 am	Centering Prayer
	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Friday	12:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
March 27	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Saturday	4:00 pm	Evening Prayer
March 28	8:00 pm	AA Group Meeting
Sunday	10:00 am	Eucharist Rite II (Streamed)
March 29	6:30 pm	AA Group Meeting

Connecting with St. Mary's

The Sunday 10:00 AM Eucharist will be streamed live on:

<https://www.facebook.com/stmarysbonita/>

and on recorded video available immediately after services at the Parish You Tube Page (click on the link below)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNhw2BKGKcunmyMx6BQJFW2w>

Visit with Fr Michael Rowe online anytime at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjjkUV6TI27Yc3Hgmd9uInQ>

For connecting into online meetings, we are using ZOOM

We will be using ZOOM for meeting purposes

The person organizing the meeting will send out an invitation to join.

You will need to click on the first link and follow instructions to load in the meeting ID and password.

Put in the number and you will join the meeting

Please make sure your volume is turned on and you must have a camera in your computer to be able to fully participate.