



Welcome to St. Peter's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church

We extend a warm welcome to everyone, and especially any visitors who may be worshiping with us today. If you do not already have a church home, please feel welcome to join this Parish family.

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are welcomed to the table to receive Holy Communion.

Our Services begin with the Opening Voluntary. You are invited to enter quietly into the spirit of worship as the music is played.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT: LAETARE SUNDAY, MOTHERING SUNDAY, "ROSE SUNDAY"

The Fourth Sunday in Lent has a variety of nicknames: Laetare Sunday is from the opening words of the Latin Mass on this day "Laetare (Rejoice) Jerusalem" (Isaiah 66:10). All of the traditions surrounding the Fourth Sunday in Lent are reflective of the more celebratory nature of the middle Sunday in Lent. Mothering Sunday is from the English and Irish traditions of the 16th century when people would return to their "Mother Church," which would be the church in which one was baptized, the local parish church, or the local Cathedral. It was a day of "family", and servants were given the day off so that they could return home to be with their families for the day. The traditional "Simnel Cake," a kind of fruit cake covered and filled with marzipan and eleven little balls of marzipan around the top, representing the eleven apostles - excluding Judas, was often served. Sometimes one large marzipan ball was placed in the center to represent Jesus. Simnel Cake will be blessed at the 10am service and served at the reception following Evensong. "Rose Sunday" refers to the rose-colored vestments worn in some churches (as here at St. Peter's), symbolizing hope and joy in the Resurrection, rather than the somber penitence of the Lenten purple. It, in turn, derives from the ancient Catholic Church practice of Popes blessing the "Golden Roses" which were sent to Catholic sovereigns on this day. These, like all the rich traditions of the Church, help us to connect with the saints that have gone before us and will come after, while nourishing our own spiritual development.

— Parish Notices —

EVENSONG WILL BE SUNG TODAY BY THE PARISH CHOIR, BEGINNING AT 4PM. There will be a "Sherry Reception" immediately following the service in the Lounge, featuring Simnel Cake, traditionally served on the Fourth Sunday in Lent. (*Please note, the reception will be offered INSTEAD OF the originally announced Parish Potluck Supper.*)

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER: NEXT SATURDAY, MARCH 17 - PRICE REDUCTION!!! ADULTS \$15.00,

LOSS OF SPOUSE/PARTNER BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP - March 15 through May 3, 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM. Good Shepherd Hospice Bereavement Services are opened to anyone in the community who has experienced a loss through death at no charge. St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 9 Clinton Ave., Bay Shore, NY. Registration required – (631) 828-7628.

ST. PETER'S PARISH AUCTION IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 5! Auction-worthy items are now being received! Please speak with Sal if you have donations that you would like to make to our fund-raising Parish Auction.

PLEASE TURN TO PAGES 23-27 FOR MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

— Prayers for the Week —

We pray for those seeking healing: Anthony, Austin, Autumn, Beth, Betty, Chris, Connie, Diane, Edith, Ellen, Emily, George, Greg, James, Joe, John, Manuel, Nancy, Peter, Roger, Sarah Grace, Sue, Theo, Tom, William;

We pray for those who have died, and those grieving the death of a loved one, that they may they find comfort and peace;

We pray for those in military service, and especially for Christian, Eileen, John, Kyle, Robert, and Stephen;

We pray for the unemployed and underemployed; for all who suffer from addictions; for all who suffer chronic illness, and for all caregivers;

We pray for our companion dioceses of Torit & Ecuador-Central; and for mercy, peace, and justice among all peoples, especially those whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters, terrorism, war, famine, tyranny, or injustice;

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. George's, Astoria; Parish Health Ministry Program; All Saints', Bayside; Retired Bishops & Retired Bishops Suffragan; St. David's, Cambria Heights; The Mary Brennan Inn ; The Democratic Republic of the Congo;

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of England; and the Dioceses of Bolivia (South America); Bondo (Kenya); Bor (South Sudan); Botswana (Central Africa); Brandon (Canada; Brazzaville (Congo); Brasilia (Brazil).

ST. PETER'S BY-THE-SEA: A GLIMPSE AHEAD

MARCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 11 - EVENSONG IN LENT - 4PM; SHERRY RECEPTION FOLLOWING THURSDAY, MARCH 15 - ECW LUNCHEON AND MEETING - 11:30AM
SATURDAY, MARCH 17 - ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER - 5 - 7PM
SUNDAY, MARCH 25 - PALM SUNDAY
THURSDAY, MARCH 29 - MAUNDY THURSDAY - SERVICE AT 7:30PM
FRIDAY, MARCH 30 - GOOD FRIDAY - SERVICE AT 7:30PM

APRIL

SUNDAY, APRIL 1 - EASTER SUNDAY SUNDAY, APRIL 8 - MUSIC AT ST. PETER'S - CROSS ISLAND ENSEMBLE - 4PM THURSDAY, APRIL 19 - ECW LUNCHEON AND MEETING - 11:30AM

MAY

Monday, May 1 - Lifeline Testing Friday, May 4 - AGO Organ Scholarship Auditions - 2 - 7 pm Saturday, May 5 - Parish Auction - 5pm - 7pm

Financial Snapshot for the Week of 3/4/18	
Total Parish Expenses Per Week	5,546.00
Income weekend of 3/4/18	4,657.00
Weekly Deficit	889.00
Year to Date Deficit	21,416.00

The Holy Eucharist: Rite l

8:00 AM

(The Book of Common Prayer, p. 323)

The Word of God

Opening Voluntary: I call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ

Dietrich Buxtehude

A Penitential Order (BCP, p. 319)

CelebrantBless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.PeopleHis mercy endureth for ever.

Celebrant

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept. Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Bishop

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

The Song of Praise

Lord, have mercy upon us. *Christ, have mercy upon us.* Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.CelebrantLet us pray.

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

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Numbers 21:4-9

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Lector The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (Said by all)

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, * and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim * that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; * from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- 17 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; * they were afflicted because of their sins.
- 18 They abhorred all manner of food * and drew near to death's door.
- 19 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, * and he delivered them from their distress.
- 20 He sent forth his word and healed them * and saved them from the grave.
- 21 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy * and the wonders he does for his children.
- 22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving * and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,* and to the Holy Ghost:
- As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,* world without end. Amen.

The Second Lesson: Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses,

made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

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The congregation stands for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel: John 3:14-21

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

Celebrant	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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.

The Right Reverend Johncy Itty

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.

The Prayers of the People

The Intercessor says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lord, hear our prayer

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Lawrence, our Diocesan Bishop; Geralyn and Daniel, our Assisting Bishops; and Johncy, our Bishopin-Residence, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Lord, hear our prayer

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Lord, hear our prayer

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially the President of the United States, the members of Congress, and all regional and local authorities, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. *Lord, hear our prayer*

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. *Lord, hear our prayer*

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor Anthony, Austin, Autumn, Beth, Betty, Chris, Connie, Diane, Edith, Ellen, Emily, George, Greg, James, Joe, Joel, John, Manuel, Nancy, Peter, Roger, Sarah Grace, Sue, Theo, Tom, William; and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. *Lord, hear our prayer*

We pray for those in military service, and especially for Christian, Eileen, John, Kyle, Robert, and Stephen;

Lord, hear our prayer

For the unemployed and underemployed; for all who suffer from addictions; for all who suffer chronic illness, and for all caregivers; . . . For our companion dioceses of Torit and Ecuador-Central, and for mercy, peace, and justice among all peoples, especially those whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters, terrorism, war, famine, tyranny, or injustice; For the petitions in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and the Anglican Cycle of Prayer this week; . . . And for any other special needs of this congregation, I invite your intercessions now, silently or aloud. *[silence]*

Lord, hear our prayer

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Peter, St. Edmund, and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Lord, hear our prayer

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

The Presider may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

The Peace

The Holy Communion

The Hymn at the Offering

The Hymnal 1982, #671 New Britain

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound



The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.

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The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer II, BCP, p. 340)

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And with thy spirit.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People	It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

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.

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen*.

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Prayer of St. Richard

Lord Jesus Christ, Most Merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, help us this day and everyday to see Thee more clearly, to follow Thee more nearly, to love Thee more dearly, for Thy Name's sake. Amen.

The Solemn Prayer over the People

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Dismissal

Voluntary: A Mighty Fortress is our God

Dietrich Buxtehude

The Choral Holy Eucharist: Rite 1 10:00 AM

(The Book of Common Prayer, p. 323)

The Word of God

Opening Voluntary: I call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ

Hymn at the Procession

Lift high the cross

Dietrich Buxtehude The Hymnal 1982, #473 Crucifer



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A Penitential Order (BCP, p. 319)

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Bishop

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Kyrie: Communion Service in F Major *(sung by the choir)*

Herbert Sumsion

The Collect of the Day

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Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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The Anthem: Jesu, grant me this I pray

1. Jesu, grant me this, I pray, Ever in Thy heart to say: Let me evermore abide	3. If the flesh, more dangerous still, Tempt my soul to deeds of ill, Naught I fear when I abide
Hidden in Thy wounded side.	In Thy heart and wounded side.
2. If the evil one prepare, Or the world, a tempting snare, I am safe when I abide In Thy heart and wounded side.	4. Death will come one day to me; Jesu, cast me not from Thee: Dying let me still abide In Thy heart and wounded side. —Sir H. Baker, From the Latin

Following the anthem, the congregation stands for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel: John 3:14-21

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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.

The Right Reverend Johncy Itty

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.

The Prayers of the People

The Intercessor says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lord, hear our prayer

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Lawrence, our Diocesan Bishop; Geralyn and Daniel, our Assisting Bishops; and Johncy, our Bishopin-Residence, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Lord, hear our prayer

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Lord, hear our prayer

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially the President of the United States, the members of Congress, and all regional and local authorities, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. *Lord, hear our prayer*

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. *Lord, hear our prayer*

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor Anthony, Austin, Autumn, Beth, Betty, Chris, Connie, Diane, Edith, Ellen, Emily, George, Greg, James, Joe, Joel, John, Manuel, Nancy, Peter, Roger, Sarah Grace, Sue, Theo, Tom, William; and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. *Lord, hear our prayer*

We pray for those in military service, and especially for Christian, Eileen, John, Kyle, Robert, and Stephen;

Lord, hear our prayer

For the unemployed and underemployed; for all who suffer from addictions; for all who suffer chronic illness, and for all caregivers; . . . For our companion dioceses of Torit and Ecuador-Central, and for mercy, peace, and justice among all peoples, especially those whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters, terrorism, war, famine, tyranny, or injustice; For the petitions in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and the Anglican Cycle of Prayer this week; . . . And for any other special needs of this congregation, I invite your intercessions now, silently or aloud. *[silence]*

Lord, hear our prayer

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Peter, St. Edmund, and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Lord, hear our prayer

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

The Presider may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

The Peace

The Holy Communion

The Hymn at the Offering

Now quit your care and anxious fear and worry

The Hymnal 1982, #145 Quittez, Pasteurs





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The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer II, BCP, p. 340)



The Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was in everyway tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus and Benedictus (Sung by the choir)

Herbert Sumsion

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,



The Breaking of the Bread Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Hymn during the Communion

The Hymnal 1982, #671 New Britain

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound



The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.

Words: John Newton (1725-1807), alt., st. 5, John Reas (19th cent.) – Music: New Britain, from Virginia Harmony, 1831, adapt att. Edwin Orhello Excell (1851-1921): hum. Austin Cole Lovelace (b. 1919) Copyright ©1974 by Abingdon Press, All rights reserved. Used with permission

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Prayer of St. Richard

Lord Jesus Christ, Most Merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, help us this day and everyday to see Thee more clearly, to follow Thee more nearly, to love Thee more dearly, for Thy Name's sake. Amen.

The Post Communion Hymn

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

The Hymnal 1982, #690 Cwm Rhomdda





Words - William Williams (1717-1791), tr. Peter Williams (1720-1796), alt - Music: Coon Rhonddo, John Hughes (1873-1930)

The Solemn Prayer over the People

Celebrant

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Dismissal

Voluntary: A Mighty Fortress is our God

Dietrich Buxtehude

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUTREACH MISSION



The Episcopal Ministries of LI Annual Appeal is now under way. The Annual Appeal provides the funding needed to establish, nurture and fund parish-based ministries and strategic community partnerships which affirm the dignity of all people. Through faithful relationships, Episcopal Ministries supports our parishes along every step of their missional journeys – from developing ideas and skills through educational forums to providing funding to launch new ministries. With your gift to Episcopal Ministries, you join with others who are living out the Gospel -- feeding the hungry, welcoming the stranger and caring for our neighbors as if for Christ. Last year the Episcopal Ministries Annual Appeal contributed more than \$400,000 to parish-based programs, partner organizations and Camp DeWolfe. This year, we want to do better, and we're counting on you to help. Please make a gift or a pledge as generous as your circumstances will allow – and remember that your pledge can be billed in ten monthly installments. Thank you in advance for your thoughtful, prayerful generosity. To learn more about the ministries supported by EMLI visit www.episcopalministries.org. Information flyers and offering envelopes are in the Narthex.





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11 MARCH 2018 4:00 рм

INTROIT: CALL TO REMEMBRANCE - RICHARD FARRANT RESPONSES: BERNARD ROSE PSALM 51 - PLAINSONG WITH FAUXBOURDON - THOMAS MORLEY EVENING CANTICLES "COLLEGIUM REGALE" - HERBERT HOWELLS ANTHEM: NOLO MORTEM PECCATORIS - THOMAS MORLEY

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 AT 4 PM Christopher Reames, Tenor With Marek Rachelski, Piano Music of Brahms, Britten, Poulenc, Ginastera Suggested: \$20/\$15 Students and Seniors

SUNDAY, MARCH 11 AT 4 PM

EVENSONG FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT THE PARISH CHOIR MARK ENGELHARDT, ORGANIST AND DIRECTOR Preces and Responses - Bernard Rose; "Collegium Regale" Evening Canticles - Herbert Howells; "Nolo mortem peccatoris" - Thomas Morley

FREE WILL OFFERING

SUNDAY, APRIL 8 AT 4 PM CROSS ISLAND ENSEMBLE SUZANNE MUELLER, CELLO & ELINOR ZAYAS, PIANO WITH JOSHUA REDMAN, CLARINET SUGGESTED: \$20/\$15 STUDENTS AND SENIORS

> SUNDAY, MAY 13 AT 4 PM THE ART OF SONG THE STAFF SINGERS OF ST. PETER'S SUGGESTED: \$20/\$15 STUDENTS AND SENIORS

> > SUNDAY, JUNE 3 AT 4 PM EVOCO VOICE COLLECTIVE

WOMEN'S ENSEMBLE, DR. DAVID FRYLING TICKETS ONLINE: WWW.EVOCO.VC/CONCERTS/

SUNDAY, JUNE 10 AT 4 PM ZACHARY SCHURMAN, ORGAN

ST. PETER'S ORGAN SCHOLAR MUSIC OF ALAIN, BACH, BUXTEHUDE, MENDELSSOHN, AND MESSIAEN SUGGESTED: \$20/\$15 STUDENTS AND SENIORS





March 11, 2018 – Lent 4 (B) The Feast of St. Patrick

Each year the Episcopal Church celebrates the Feast Day of Saint Patrick, fifth-century bishop and missionary of Ireland, on March 17, the day of his death in 461.

Holy Women, Holy Men (Church Publishing, 2010) relates that Patrick was born on the northwest coast of Britain in about 390. His grandfather had been a Christian priest, and his father was a deacon in the early Christian church. When Patrick was a teenager, he was captured by a band of Irish slavers and was forcibly taken to Ireland to serve as a shepherd. When Patrick was in his early 20s, he escaped and returned to Britain, where he was educated as a Christian. After taking holy orders as both presbyter and bishop, he had a vision, calling him to return to Ireland.

Sometime around the year 431, when Patrick returned to Ireland, he began converting Irish pagans into Christians by appealing to the local kings, and through them to their tribes. Patrick built Christian churches over sacred pagan sites, carved crosses on old druidic pillars, and protected sacred wells and springs with Christian saints.

Saint Patrick is generally credited with being the first bishop of Armagh, Primate of All Ireland.

Saint Patrick's Day, March 17, is celebrated as both a liturgical and nonliturgical holiday. In popular culture, this feast day is often a celebration of Ireland itself.

Collect for Saint Patrick

Almighty God, in your providence you chose your servant Patrick to be the apostle of the Irish people, to bring those who were wandering in darkness and error to the true light and knowledge of you: Grant us so to walk in that light that we may come at last to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



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