

10:00 am Mattins

10:30 am Procession & Solemn Mass (*Intention: The Parish*)

POETRY CORNER

PALM SUNDAY

by Christina Georgina Rossetti

I lift mine eyes, and see
Thee, tender Lord, in pain upon the tree,
Athirst for my sake and athirst for me.

“Yea, look upon Me there,
Compassed with thorns and bleeding everywhere,
For thy sake bearing all, and glad to bear.”

I lift my heart to pray:
Thou Who didst love me all that darkened day,
Wilt Thou not love me to the end alway?

“Yea, thee My wandering sheep,
Yea, thee My scarlet sinner slow to weep,
Come to Me, I will love thee and will keep.”

Yet am I racked with fear:
Behold the unending outer darkness drear,
Behold the gulf unbridgeable and near!

“Nay, fix thy heart, thine eyes,
Thy hope upon My boundless sacrifice:
Will I lose lightly one so dear-bought prize?”

Ah, Lord; it is not Thou,
Thou that wilt fail; yet woe is me, for how
Shall I endure who half am failing now?

“Nay, weld thy resolute will
To Mine: glance not aside for good or ill:
I love thee; trust Me still and love Me still.”

Yet Thou Thyself hast said,
When Thou shalt sift the living from the dead
Some must depart shamed and uncomforted.

“Judge not before that day:
Trust Me with all thy heart, even tho’ I slay:
Trust Me in love, trust on, love on, and pray.

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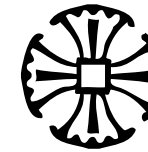
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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

For the week of Sunday 25 March 2018

PLEASE TAKE THIS HOME

*The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the repose of the soul of Susan Johnson.
Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord.*

WELCOME TO ST BARTHOLOMEW'S! We're happy to have you worshipping with us this morning. The Order of Service can be found in the pew leaflet. Page numbers in the leaflet refer to the wine-coloured Book of Common Prayer. Hymn numbers refer to the green English Hymnal.

REFRESHMENTS & FELLOWSHIP: Following the Parish Mass we gather in the parish hall (down the front stairs and to your right) for refreshments and fellowship. Tea, coffee, juice, and a light lunch are served. If you are new, please make yourself known to Fr Hannam and members of our congregation.

FATHER HANNAM requests that all cases of sorrow or sickness be reported to him.

THE ALTAR GUILD is soliciting donations for flowers for the Easter Altars. Please direct such moneys using the white envelopes provided. *Please contribute this morning to have loved ones' names included in Easter bulletins.*

PROCESSION OF WITNESS: Please join us at 6:30 pm on Good Friday for St Bart's Procession of Witness! This Way of the Cross procession throughout Regent Park was first followed by our parish in 1928, and was begun again in 2017 after falling into abeyance. Now more than ever our neighbourhood needs to know of the Divine Compassion (literally 'suffering with') whereby, on the Cross, our Lord suffered not only all that we suffer, but also all the suffering we have caused one another. *I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out!* Luke 19:40

CHORAL COMPLINE will be held this Wednesday at 9 p.m. See parish website for information on music.

BISHOP ROBERTSON has kindly agreed to be with us this year for our Maundy Thursday Liturgy. *Please plan to attend to celebrate the institution of the Holy Mass with this Successor to the Apostles!*

THE PARISH BIBLE STUDY will have a one-week hiatus for Holy Week and will recommence on Easter Friday.

THE SIDESPERSONS request that leaflets that are not being taken home with you be returned to them and not left in the pews. You are encouraged to take the Sunday announcements home for reference.

ST BART'S SICK LIST is due for review. Please look at the list at the back of Church and initial beside the names if you would like them to remain; please also add any additional names to that list.

DEVOTIONAL VIGNETTE

HOLY WEEK BEGINS with the description of the triumphal entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem on the Sunday before His Passion. Jesus, who had always been opposed to any public manifestation and who had fled when the people wanted to make Him their king (cf. John 6:15), allows Himself to be borne in triumph today. Not until now, when He is about to die, does He submit to being publicly acclaimed as the Messiah, because by dying on the cross, He will be in the most complete manner Messiah, Redeemer, King, and Victor. He allows Himself to be recognized as King, but a King who will rain from the Cross, who will triumph and conquer by dying on the Cross. The same exultant crowd that acclaims Him today will curse Him in a few days and lead Him to Calvary; today's triumph will be the vivid prelude to tomorrow's Passion.

Jesus enters the holy city and triumph, but only in order to suffer and die there. Hence, the twofold meaning of the Procession of the Palms: it is not enough to accompany Jesus in his triumph; we must follow Him in His Passion, prepared to share in it by stirring up in ourselves, according to St. Paul's exhortation (Epistle: Phillipians 2:5-11), His sentiments of humility and total immolation, which will bring us, like Him and with Him, "unto death, even to the death of the Cross." The Palms which the priest blesses today have not only a festive significance; they also "represent the victory which Jesus is about to win over the prince of death" (Roman Missal). For us too, they must be symbols of triumph, indicative of the victory to be won in our battle against the evil in ourselves and against the evil which rooms about us. As we receive the blessed palm, let us renew our pledge to conquer with Jesus, but let us not forget that it was on the Cross that He conquered.

- Adapted from Father Gabriel of St Mary Magdalene, O.C.D.,
Divine Intimacy: Meditations on the Interior Life for Every Day of the Liturgical Year

THROUGH THE WEEK

THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH ARE OPEN FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION
Monday through Friday, from 11:30 am till 1:30 pm.

Monday, 26 March	<i>Monday in Holy Week</i>		ABSTINENCE
	10:00 am	Food Bank (till 11:30 am)	
	6:00 pm	Low Mass & Stations of the Cross (<i>Intention: Confessors and Penitents</i>)	
Tuesday, 27 March	<i>Tuesday in Holy Week</i>		ABSTINENCE
	8:00 am	Morning Prayer	5:30 pm Evening Prayer
	6:00 pm	Low Mass (<i>Intention: For all keeping Holy Week here</i>)	
	6:30 pm	Rosary	7:30 pm WCCM Meditation Group
Wednesday, 28 March	<i>Wednesday in Holy Week</i>		ABSTINENCE
	8:00 am	Morning Prayer	5:30 pm Evening Prayer
	6:00 pm	Low Mass (<i>Intention: The Servers' Guild</i>)	
	7:00 pm	Lenten Catechesis	9:00 pm Choral Compline
Thursday, 29 March	<i>Maundy Thursday</i>		ABSTINENCE
CONFESSIONS: 8:30 - 9:00 PM	4:30 am	Thursday Breakfast Outreach Ministry (till 8:00 am)	
	8:00 am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00 am	Food Bank	
	6:15 pm	Solemn Mass, followed by Procession to the Altar of Repose, Watch before the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight <i>(Intention: Thanksgiving for the gifts of the Apostolic Priesthood and the Blessed Sacrament on this day)</i>	
	8:00 pm	Evening Prayer	
Friday, 30 March	<i>Good Friday</i>		FASTING WITH ABSTINENCE
CONFESSIONS: 9:30 - 10:00 AM	8:00 am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00 am	Stations of the Cross	
	10:30 am	Solemn Liturgy and Mass of the Pre-Sanctified	
	5:30 pm	Evening Prayer	
	6:30 pm	Procession of Witness	
	8:00 pm	Compline	
Saturday, 31 March	<i>Holy Saturday</i>		ABSTINENCE
CONFESSIONS: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	9:30 am	Mattins, Litany, and Ante-Communion	
	9:00 pm	The Great Vigil of Easter, followed by the First Mass of Easter <i>(Intention: Thanksgiving for the Resurrection)</i>	

INTERCESSIONS

PREPARING FOR BAPTISM: Isaac Stein

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED: **SUN:** Linda Ashcroft, Austin, Faith Bangawan, George Barkhouse, Robert Buckland Sr., Kimberley Curtis | **TUES:** Bill Forster, Jo-Anne Goyder, Seraphina Lee, Gord Miller | **WED:** Jackie Ollivierre, John Richards, Mary Spencer, Andra Striowski and family, Atlas Charles Thomas | **THU:** Alan Newell, Dorothy North, Scott Paterson, Sarah Philibert, Beth Wilband | **FRI:** Alex, Andrea, Atta, Barb, Cabrah, Eleanor, Elise, Fanny | **SAT:** Gordon, Merle, Nicholas, Randall, Scott, Sophia, Stephanie, Tammy, Vinnette

Please note the vertical bars indicate the Mass at which the preceding group of persons are prayed for by name.

SICK & SUFFERING – DAILY INTERCESSIONS: Michael Peers, *bishop*, Walter Asbil, *bishop*, Cameron Hall, Patricia, June Mowers, Elizabeth McCaffrey, Helen Wai, Joan Doig, Audrey Kern, John Bell, Matthew Patong, William Gindal, Jack Chute

FAITHFUL DEPARTED: Anne Sherwood

REPORT ON LAST WEEK

ATTENDANCE:

Lent 5: 69

FINANCIALS:

2018 Actual (to 28 Feb): \$10,664

2018 Budget (to 28 Feb): \$18,333

As of the end of February we have a shortfall of \$7,669 (based on the budget for 2018

approved at Vestry). *Please remember that our cash flow relies not only on generous giving, but also regular giving.*

