

For the week of Sunday 4 February 2024

PLEASE TAKE THIS HOME

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

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR** following the 11 o'clock Parish Mass! We meet in the Parish Hall, down the front stairs and to the right.

### LENT IS DRAWING NEAR...

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**THE VICAR** will be available during the 'gesimas' for spiritual direction in advance of Lent. Please consider taking the time to discuss your Lenten discipline in advance of the Great Forty Days.

**HELP US HELP OUR NEIGHBOURS!** Can you afford a donation, small or large, to the Vicar's Discretionary Fund? Examples of assistance given include emergency food purchases, emergency rent payments, emergency travel assistance, and the purchase of prescription medication and eyeglasses.

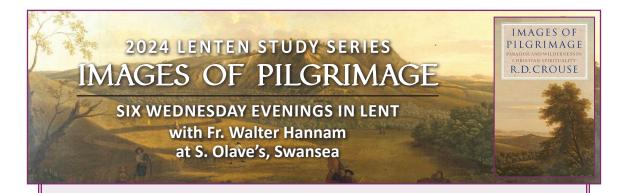
**2023 PALMS AND PALM CROSSES** will be collected between now and Quinquagesima (Sunday, 11 February) to be burned to make Ash Wednesday ashes. Please leave them in the basket provided at the back of the church.

THE ANNUAL SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER will be hosted by our Acolytes' Guild on Tuesday, 13 February, at <u>6:30 p.m.</u> \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. All proceeds go to the Vestments Fund.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Wednesday, 14 February: Ash Wednesday

Low Masses at <u>7:30 a.m.</u>, 10 a.m, and Sung Mass at 6:15 p.m. Imposition of ashes will be available at all three Masses



6:30 p.m. Light Supper (DONATIONS APPRECIATED)
7:00 p.m. Discussion Series
8:00 p.m. Compline

Dr. Robert Crouse (1930-2011) was a noted Patristic and Medieval scholar, teacher and priest in the Anglican Church of Canada, and one of the finest contemplative theological minds of our age. More than 30 years ago Dr. Crouse delivered six addresses on the theme of pilgrimage at S. Augustine's Monastery in Nova Scotia. In this six-part Lenten series, The Rev'd Dr. Walter Hannam, a student of Father Crouse, delves into these newly published essays.

February 21: Biblical and Pagan Images; February 28: The Old Testament; March 6: The New Testament; March 13: S. Augustine March 20: Dante; March 27: Reconciliation

The series will be hosted by S. Olave's, Swansea (360 Windermere Avenue, between Runnymede and Jane), and will also be made available via livestream: youtube.com/stolavesanglicanchurch.

# **VESTRY**

### IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER...

**OUR ANNUAL VESTRY** will be held on Sunday, 3 March following the morning service. Please plan to attend.

ARE YOU ON THE LIST? Please take a moment to stop by the sidespersons' table to confirm that you're on the Vestry List. Persons sixteen years of age and over who [are members of the Anglican Church of Canada and] have been members of and worshippers with the congregation for at least three months prior to the meeting of the vestry, who are listed on the Vestry List and who sign the declaration set out in Section 1 and Section 2 of this Canon 14. Unavoidable absence from worship with the congregation through illness or absence from home, shall not prevent a person from being entitled to vote (Canon 14.6). If you have any questions, please speak with Father Hannam.

**ADVISORY BOARD** will meet immediately following the Parish Mass on Sunday, 18 February to approve the proposed parish budget in advance of Vestry. Please plan to attend.

**VESTRY REPORTS** are due by Sunday, 18 February. Please send them to Fr Hannam at your earliest convenience.

**NOMINATIONS FOR PARISH OFFICERS & MINISTRY LEADS** are now open. Please speak with Fr Hannam or Kevin Forrest if you have a nomination to pass on.

**FR. ADAM BROWN,** one of our former students, is being induced as 30th Rector of Trinity, Cornwall <u>TODAY</u> Sunday, 4 February at 4:00 p.m. *Details and links to the livestream can be found here: saintlawrenceparish.org.* 

**FATHER HANNAM** will be away this coming week, returning Tuesday, 13 February. Please direct all pastoral emergencies requiring a priest during Father Hannam's absence to Father David Brinton (416-553-1905). All non-emergency pastoral or parish matters should be directed to Drew Badgley at (647-654-0443).

#### SUNG VESPERS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION:

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, 7 February, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. Founded as a devotional society in 1862 to honour the Presence of Our Lord in the Sacrament and to promote appropriate preparation and devotion to the Holy Eucharist, all interested in learning more about the possibility of the establishment at S. Bart's of a Ward of the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament (confraternityusa.org) are especially encouraged to attend. Membership forms and more information may be obtained from Dr. Jonathan Lofft (jslofft@gmail.com).

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

150th Anniversary Dedication Mass Friday, 16 February at 6:15 p.m.

*Missa Brevis in F* – Andrea Gabrieli (1565)

Si coeli et coeli coelorum – Orlando di Lasso (1594)

O quam metuendus est locus iste - Tomás Luis de Victoria (1585)

**THE FOOD BANK:** Our doors are open Mondays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

THE BREAKFAST PROGRAMME continues to be open each Thursday with the doors opening at 5:30 a.m. until 8:00 a.m., and hot food being served beginning at 6:00 a.m.

**YOUNG ADULTS AT S. BART'S:** Learn more about ongoing/upcoming events at stbartstoronto.ca/parish-life/young-adults.

## **™ INTERCESSIONS**

#### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:

- TODAY: Sunday, 4 February: The Anglican Church of South America
- Mon., 5 Feb.: The Diocese of Cameroon The Church of the Province of West Africa
- Tues., 6 Feb.: The Diocese of El Camino Real The Episcopal Church
- **Wed., 7 Feb.:** The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn The Anglican Church of Australia
- Thurs., 8 Feb.: The Diocese of Canterbury The Church of England
- Fri., 9 Feb.: The Diocese of Cape Coast The Church of the Province of West Africa
- **Sat., 10 Feb.:** The Diocese of Cape Town The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

**INDIGENOUS CHURCH**: For +Chris, National Indigenous Archbishop: that capable & wise workers will be found to staff Indigenous Ministry Offices in Edmonton & Toronto; and +Adam, Bishop of Missinippi: for the youth of Northern Saskatchewan.

#### **DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:**

- TODAY: Sunday, 4 February: Bishop's Committee on Interfaith Ministry
- Monday, 5 February: Incarnation
- Tuesday, 6 February: The Clergy of the Diocese of Toronto
- Wednesday, 7 February: Our Saviour
- Thursday, 8 February: S. Cyprian
- Friday, 9 February: Sisterhood of S. John the Divine
- Saturday, 10 February: Chinese Ministry in the Diocese of Toronto

**CONFIRMANDS:** Jean Giroux, Robert Thompson

**THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED: WED:** Alison, George Barkhouse, Ronald Bentley, Florence Britain; | **FRI:** The Carlén Family, Kimberley Curtis, Demetra, Robert Hegele, Scott Hunter; | **SAT:** Jenni; Catherine LaFond, Marlyn, Patrick, Todd

**DAILY INTERCESSIONS:** Andrea, Sr Barbara SLSM, Trevon Beckford, Ben, Bruce, Carl, Sr Christine SLG, Christopher, David Conatser, Keastner Dawkins, Douglas, Grace, Debbie Hartley, Sydney Hegele, Lorna Heron, Scott Hunter, Greg Irvine, Jakob, Katherine, Paul Kent, Audrey Kern, Jim Kotsifas, Larry, Laura, Margaret McQuillan, Peter; Rebecca; Samantha, Rachel & Nickson; Heekyung Song, Stephen, Stuart, Tegan, Katherine Walmsley, Mark Weymouth

**DEPARTED:** Marilyn Brady, Graham Cotter (priest), Kent Doe (priest)

THOSE WHO MOURN: Heather, Robyn and Dwight; Sarah, Bailey,

Gilbert, Wendy, Bob, Amy

## **№ POETRY CORNER**

#### **SEXAGESIMA**

by Christina Georgina Rossetti (1830-1894)

Yet earth was very good in days of old, And earth is lovely still: Still for the sacred flock she spreads the fold, For Sion rears the hill.

Mother she is, and cradle of our race, A depth where treasures lie, The broad foundation of a holy place, Man's step to scale the sky.

She spreads the harvest-field which Angels reap, And lo! the crop is white; She spreads God's Acre where the happy sleep All night that is not night.

Earth may not pass till heaven shall pass away, Nor heaven may be renewed Except with earth: and once more in that day Earth shall be very good.

## **™ DEVOTIONAL VIGNETTE №**

### "The seed is the Word of God."

Jesus Christ, the Word Incarnate, eternal Utterance of the Father, came to sow this word in the hearts of men; it is, as it were, a reflection of Himself. The divine word is not a sound which strikes the air and disappears rapidly like the word of men; it is a supernatural light which reveals the true value of things; it is grace, the source of power and strength to help us live according to the light of God. Thus it is a seed of supernatural life, of sanctity, of eternal life. This seed is never sterile in itself; it always has a vital, powerful strength, capable of producing not only some fruits of Christian life, but abundant fruits of sanctity. This seed is not entrusted to an inexperienced husbandman who, because of his ignorance, might ruin the finest sowing. It is Jesus Himself, the Son of God, who is the sower.

Then why does the seed not always bring forth the desired fruit? Because very often the ground which receives it does not have the requisite qualities. God never stops sowing the seeds in the hearts of men; He invites them, He calls them continually by His light and his appeals; he never ceases giving his grace by means of the Sacraments; but all this is vain and fruitless unless man offers God a good ground, that is, a heart, well prepared and disposed. God wills our salvation and sanctification, but He never forces us; He respects our liberty.

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

# THROUGH THE WEEK 🕸

Please check the website and subscribe to our enews list to stay informed of scheduling changes.

| Sunday, 4 February    | THE SUNDAY CALLED SEXAGESIMA                                 |  |            |         |  |
|-----------------------|--|--|------------|---------|--|
|                       | 9:00 a.m.  | Low Mass   | 10:00 a.m. | Mattins |  |
|                       | 11:00 a.m.   | Sung Mass  |            |         |  |
| Monday, 5 February    | S. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr                                   |  |            |         |  |
|                       | 10:00 a.m.   | 00 a.m. Food Bank (till 11:30 a.m.)                                    |            |         |  |
| Tuesday, 6 February   | S. Titus, Bishop & Confessor                                 |  |            |         |  |
| Wednesday, 7 February | Feria  |  |            |         |  |
|                       | 8:30 a.m.  | 8 - 47   |            |         |  |
|                       | 6:30 p.m.  |  |            |         |  |
| Thursday, 8 February  | Feria  |  |            |         |  |
|                       | 6:00 a.m.  | 6:00 a.m. Breakfast Ministry (Doors open at 5:30 a.m., till 8:00 a.m.) |            |         |  |
|                       | 8:30 a.m.  | n. Morning Prayer  |            |         |  |
|                       | 10:00 a.m.   | a.m. Food Bank (till 11:30 a.m.)                                       |            |         |  |
| Friday, 9 February    | Feria  |  |            |         |  |
|                       | 8:30 a.m.  | Morning Prayer   |            |         |  |
| Saturday, 10 February | Our Lady on Saturday   |  |            |         |  |
| Sunday, 11 February   | THE SUNDAY CALLED QUINQUAGESIMA (com. S. Caedmon, Confessor) |  |            |         |  |
|                       | 9:00 a.m.<br>11:00 a.m.                                      | Low Mass<br>Sung Mass  | 10:00 a.m. | Mattins |  |