

# St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

*(Congregation established 1913)*

**April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Second Sunday after Easter**

Almighty God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## TODAY AT ST. MARY'S

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed. Alleluia!

**We wish a warm welcome** especially to those who are praying with us for the first time; your presence is a blessing! If you would like to identify yourself, or would like know more about our ministry and mission, please speak to one of the greeters and ask for a welcome card which you may complete and place in the offering plate.

**Holy Communion.** All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. When the time comes, please come forward to the communion rail, and kneel or stand as you are able. The bread is received with the open palm. Please guide the chalice to your lips for a sip of wine. If you prefer not to receive, please feel free to remain in your place, alternatively you may come forward for a blessing and indicate this by keeping your arms by your side.

**Nursery** for infants & toddlers is available in the Good Shepherd Nursery.

**Godly Play** in the Children's Worship Centre for children 3 - 6 years. Today's story is "Easter-The Appearance at the Sea of Galilee" John 21:1-15. Leaders: Ginny L, Sandra D.

**Faith Quest** (ages 7 – 13) continue their Jesus Heals the Paralytic rotation. Shelley will lead and Eleanor M will shepherd today's Daily Bread bistro workshop. Memory verse: "Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action." 1 John 3:18

**Coffee and Tea** Following the service, please join us for a cup of tea or coffee in the upper hall.

## MORNING PRAYER AT NINE- FORTY

Prayer Book, pp.6-5, Psalm 135; Numbers 13.1, 2, 17-end; Mark 5.21-end

## HOLY COMMUNION AT HALF-PAST TEN

Opening Hymn: #212 Alleluia! The Strife Is O'er

The Lord's Prayer

Collect for Purity

Summary of the Law, Lord. Have Mercy

Collect for the Day

*(Prayer Book p. 67)*

*(Prayer Book p. 69, 70)*

Lesson: Acts 3:12-19 R/ **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 4 p. p. 333

Epistle: 1 John 3:1-7 R/ **Thanks be to God**

Gradual: And Can It Be?

**And can it be that I should gain  
an interest in the Saviour's blood?  
Died he for me, who caused his pain?  
For me, who him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?**

**'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies!  
Who can explore his strange design?  
In vain the first-born seraph tries  
to sound the depths of love divine.  
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,  
let angel minds enquire no more.**

**He left his Father's throne above —  
so free, so infinite his grace —  
emptied himself of all but love,  
and bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;  
for, O my God, it found out me!**

**Long my imprisoned spirit lay  
fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
thine eye diffused a quickening ray;  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;**

**my chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.**

**No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!  
Alive in him, my living Head,  
and clothed in righteousness divine,  
bold I approach the eternal throne,  
and claim the crown, through Christ, my own**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (Chap 24, verses 36b-48)

**R: Glory be to thee, O Lord**

**R: Praise be to Thee, O Christ**

Sermon

Nicene Creed

*(Prayer Book p. 71)*

Intercessions

**R/ Hear our prayer**

Offertory Hymn: # 456 He Comes to Us As One Unknown

*The people of St. Mary's have the privilege of being part of and supporting the ministry of Jesus Christ and His Church through weekly financial offerings. If you are visiting here today, you are welcome to make a contribution, but please do not feel under any obligation to do so.*

Invitation, Confession and Absolution

*(Prayer Book p. 76, 77)*

Great Thanksgiving, Peace, Prayer of Humble Access

The Communion

*+ All baptized Christians who have prepared themselves are invited to come forward with faith and love to receive Holy Communion.*

*+ If you prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.*

*+ For health reasons, dipping the bread in the wine is not permitted. If you require gluten-free wafer, please indicate this at the time of receiving.*

Communion Anthem:

Cantor:

Alleluia! Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast, Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Congregation: **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \* and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Communion

Hymn after Communion: # 85 Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

Lord's Prayer

Thanksgiving after Communion

*(Prayer Book p. 85, 86)*

Gloria

Announcements

Dismissal      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Hymn: # 433 Lord, You Give the Great Commission

*\* Please observe a moment for silent prayer\**

## THE WORD OF THE LORD: TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

### **FIRST READING:** Acts 3:12-19

And when Peter saw it he addressed the people, “Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham and of Isaac and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered up and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And his name, by faith in his name, has made this man strong whom you see and know; and the faith which is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all. “And now, brethren, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ should suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,

### **SECOND READING:** 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. And every one who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. Every one who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. He who does right is righteous, as he is righteous.

### **GOSPEL:** Luke 24: 36b-48

Response before the Gospel: **Glory be to thee, O Lord**

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Response following the Gospel: **Praise be to thee, O Christ**

## This week at St Mary's

Tuesday	10:30 am Forever in Motion Seniors Exercise Group
Wednesday	8:30 am Morning Prayer; Men's Breakfast 10:30 am Mom and Tots Group
Thursday	9:30 am Women's Time Out Bible Study
Next Sunday	9:40 am Morning Prayer 10:30 am Holy Communion

## PARISH LIFE NOTES

**Please join us for Intercessory Prayer** in the Lounge, Wed., Apr. 18 @ 1:30 to pray for the Diocese, Parish and Parishioners. "I say to the Lord, 'You are my God. hear, Lord, my cry for mercy.'" Psalm 140:6

**Vestry Meeting** The April Vestry Meeting will take place next Sunday at the home of Alan and Jacky S following the worship.

### **The Eucharist and Christian Unity:**

Our ecumenical agreements on the Eucharist - April 27 & 28

One of the least known achievements of the ecumenical movement is the consensus on the doctrine of the Eucharist. What is the significance of the agreements reached? What does this mean for interchurch families and ecumenical shared ministries? ARCCIC and the Archdiocese of Regina are offering a spring workshop on April 27 and 28 to explore the ecumenical agreements on the Eucharist. All churches welcome, no registration required. A free-will offering will be taken to cover meal expenses. For further information contact Nick, 306-352-1651 or email [jesson@ecumenism.net](mailto:jesson@ecumenism.net).

ARCIC agreement on Eucharistic Doctrine: Dive into the dialogue with Canon Claude Schroeder and Dr. Brett Salkeld as they explore the Anglican-Roman Catholic agreements. Friday, April 27 at 6pm at St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church, 3337 15th Ave, Regina. The evening begins with Evensong followed by a light supper. The discussion begins at 7pm.

Ecumenical Convergence on the Eucharist: Continue the exploration as we break open the bilateral agreements as well as the World Council of Churches' seminal text Baptism, Eucharist, and Ministry. Led by Nick Jesson and a range of local Christian speakers. Saturday, April 28 from 9:30am to 3pm at Christ the King RC Parish, 3239 Garnet St, Regina. A light lunch will be provided.

- **A study series on Indigenous Spirituality** at First Presbyterian Church **April 30, May 7 and 14.**
- **See the Diocesan Anglican-Ecumenical Events spot on the bulletin board** in the Montague St. entrance for more details.

**Grandparents! Want to have a great day out with your Grandchildren?  
Then bring them to the GrandDay Out!** 28 April, 2018 Join us for this intergenerational day in Regina for Grandparents to enjoy with their Grandchildren. Your day will include... Chapel time, games, crafts Grandparent session, lunch and snack time and off-site activities including bowling – we have a great day planned! Location: St Mary's Anglican Church, 3337 15th Ave, Regina , Time: 10.15am to 4.30pm on 28 April 2018 For Grandchildren six years and older. The theme for the day is Treasure Seekers (Matthew 6:19-21) Cost: \$25 per grandparent; \$20 per grand child (for family group of 5 or more ask for a discount!) Price includes EVERYTHING! ...snacks, lunch, activities, crafts, bowling... Don't miss out! RSVP today to Julie Moser: [julie.moser@sasktel.net](mailto:julie.moser@sasktel.net) (or register at [www.qcamps.ca](http://www.qcamps.ca) or, click the link: <https://quappelle.anglican.ca/register/?o=quappelle-camps&p=grandday-out-P1522347575> )

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