

St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

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Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TODAY AT ST. MARY'S

GLORY BE TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY BE TO HIM FOREVER!

Flowers on the Altar are to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Cathleen Shier.

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 'David, the Shepherd' Psalm 23:1-3; 1 Samuel 16; 17:34-37. Leaders: Melanie B, Myka D.

Faith Quest kids (ages 7-13) continue the Lazarus rotation with a Let There Be Art workshop - mosaics. Leader: Kate B. Shepherds: Ernie and Sally K. Memory verse: Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me will live, even though they die; and those who live and believe in me will never die. Do you believe this?" John 11:25, 26

Guest Pianist. A warm welcome to Jackie C who is serving today in Valerie Hall's absence.

Coffee and Tea Following the service, please join us for a cup of tea or coffee in the upper hall. Coffee Hosts: Yvonne and Christian S

The Intercessions Book on the table with the bread and the offering plates has space for you to write in the names of people you wish us to remember in prayer this morning, and throughout the week. Prayers will be offered for travelers, those in special need, and the departed.

MORNING PRAYER AT TEN

Prayer Book, pp.6-15, Ps.148, 149, Jeremiah 29.1, 4-14, Acts 16.6-15

HOLY COMMUNION AT HALF-PAST TEN

Opening Hymn: # **576 For the Healing of the Nations**

The Lord's Prayer

Collect for Purity

(Prayer Book p. 67)

Summary of the Law, Lord, Have Mercy

(Prayer Book p. 69, 70)

Collect for the Day

Prayer with the children

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm

Epistle

Gradual Hymn: # **458 Seek Ye First**

The Holy Gospel

Nicene Creed

(Prayer Book p. 70)

Intercessions **R./Lord have mercy.**

Offertory Hymn: # **601 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending**

Offertory Anthem

Invitation, Confession and Absolution

(Prayer Book p. 76, 77)

Great Thanksgiving, Peace, Prayer of Humble Access

(Prayer Book p. 78ff)

The Communion

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

Hymn after Communion: # **585 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**

Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving after Communion

(Prayer Book p. 85)

The Gloria

(Prayer Book p. 86)

The Blessing

Announcements

Dismissal: Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Hymn: # **587 Once to Every Man and Nation**

** Please observe a moment for silent prayer**

Parish Life Notes

Vestry meets today at 12:15 pm in the lounge.

ALLSAINTSTIDE, which begins on the evening of Oct 31, All Hallow's Eve (Halloween), and carries on through November 1, (All Saints Day) to November 2 (All Souls Day) is a 3 day festival in the Church that recalls the faith and witness of our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the ages, celebrates our continuing communion with them, and memorializes the recently deceased. On Oct 31st St. Mary's will be hosting a theological forum at 7.30 p.m. entitled, "Life and Prayer in the Communion of Saints" followed by a candle-lit vigil service at 9:00 p.m. On Saturday, Nov 2. St. Mary's will also be hosting "All Saints Saturday" for children and youth that will include activities, "The Journey of Faith" - an interactive walk through the Bible, worship, and supper. At 7:00 p.m. St. Luke's Anglican Church will be hosting a Service in Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. All are welcome! Christ is Risen from the Dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life. O Come, let us worship!

From Silence to Stillness: Introduction to Contemplative Prayer

Wednesday's @ 12:10pm.

Congregational Forum and Distribution of Pledge forms for 2020 will take place after worship on October 27th. All congregational members are encouraged to attend.

Refugee Sponsorship Committee

St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church, Regina, plans to sponsor a South Sudanese refugee family of six, currently living in a Ugandan refugee camp. We have raised about \$17,000, and we will continue to raise the remaining \$18,000 to achieve the goal of raising \$35,500 to support the refugee family once they arrive in Regina. You can support **St. Mary's Refugee Sponsorship Program** by:

1. **Sending your support through email transfer** to stmaryregina@gmail.com. Please include "South Sudanese Refugee Family Sponsorship" in the message. St. Mary already has automatic deposit set up for Interac electronic transfers. No password is required.
2. **Contributing through Cheque for donations** to St. Mary Anglican Church, 3337 – 15th Ave. Regina SK S4T 1T3, with a memo line "South Sudanese Family Sponsorship."
3. **Attending South Sudanese Fall Super** (South Sudanese Food Fair) – a fundraiser to be held October 26 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in St. Mary's upper hall, 3337 – 15th Ave. Regina SK S4T 1T3. Meals will be prepared by South Sudanese people in Regina, in support of the family in the refugee camp. You can also place your order at the church office for pick on October 26, 2019.

4. **Joining our campaign online through CanadaHelps:**

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/119188134RR0001-st-marys-anglican-church/campaign/refugee-family-sponsorship-fundraiser/>

5. **Donating cans and bottles** – St. Mary’s will collect cans and bottle to recycle. Regina residents may contact Amanda H, Elizabeth D or Nathaniel Deng M for a flyer about the recycling project, or more information on pick up of bottles and cans.

Welcoming and loving strangers is a precious gift from the Lord, our God (Leviticus 19: 33-34).

For more information about the sponsorship, contact Rev. Nathaniel Athian Deng M, chair of the Refugee Sponsorship Committee.

SPC members include Beverly K, Deng Mark A, Mary R, Janice K, Sandra D, Tom J, Amanda H and Nathaniel Deng M

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A WORD FROM THE FATHERS

A hermit has persevered for thirty years. One day he said to himself, 'I have now spent so many years here and I have had not vision and performed no miracle as did the Fathers who were monks before me'. And he was tempted to go back into the world. Then he was told, 'What miracle do you want to perform that would be more extraordinary than the patience and courage God has given you and which allowed you to persevere for so long?' (From “The sayings of the Desert Fathers)

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY’S

Tuesday	10:30 am	Forever in Motion Senior Exercise
Wednesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer and Men's Breakfast
	10:30 am	Parent and Tots Group
	12.10 pm	From Silence to Stillness Contemplative Prayer
Thursday	9:30 am	Woman's Bible Study
Friday	5:30 pm	Holy Communion
Sunday	10:00 am	Morning Prayer
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