

St. George's Anglican Church

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The Third Sunday in Lent March 20, 2022



St Anthony tormented by demons, Raphael Mey, 16th century

Welcome!

Who are we? In response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Parish of Saint George offers a unique combination of traditional Anglican worship and a commitment to Inner-City Ministry. Open to the community that surrounds it, Saint George's dares to be shaped by the Inner City, yet seeks to transform our neighbourhood by preaching, in Word and action, the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Come join us in worship, fellowship and outreach ministry.

8 am Sunday & 10 am Wednesday Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr. Nicholas Hatt, Rector

The Holy Communion service begins on page 67 of the Book of Common Prayer. The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel are found on pages 145-146. The Introit and Gradual are printed in this bulletin.

10:30 am Choral Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr. Nicholas Hatt, Rector Mass setting: Missa XI Orbis factor

Creed: John Merbecke (1510-1585)

We welcome Father James Purchase back to St George's today and thank him for assisting at the altar at the 10:30 service. Our Honourary Assistant, Father Peter Harris, is officiating at the 11 a.m. service at King's College Chapel this morning, covering for Father Ranall Ingalls who is away this weekend.

Opening Hymn 429 O GOD of Bethel, by whose hand

Martyrdom

The Introit Psalm 25:8-15

tone I.1



GRA-CIOUS AND righteous is *the* Lord; /

therefore will he teach sin-ners in~ the^way.

Them that are meek shall he guide in *judge*-ment; / and such as are gentle, them shall he teach his~ way.

All the paths of the Lord are mercy *and* truth, / unto such as keep his covenant *and* his tes~ti^mon^ies.

For thy Name's sake, O Lord, / be merciful unto my sin, for it~ is^great.

What man is he that feareth *the* Lord? /

him shall he teach in the way that he~ shall^choose.

His soul shall dwell at ease, / and his seed shall in-he-rit the~ land.

The secret of the Lord is for them that *fear* him; / and he will show *them* his co~ve^nant.

Mine eyes are ever looking unto the Lord; / for he shall pluck my feet out of the~ net.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Ho~ly^Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever *shall* be, / world with-*out* end. A~men

Please kneel

The Lord's Prayer & Collect for Purity

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The Summary of the Law

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The Kyrie

Kyrie eleison Christe eleison Kyrie eleison Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us. The Collect pp. 145, 138

Please sit

The Epistle (Ephesians 5:1)

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Please stand

The Gradual Psalm 25:16-22

tone V.1



TURN THEE UN-to me, and have mercy up-on me; /

for I am desolate and in mi-se^ry.

Relieve thou the sorrows of my heart:/ O bring thou me out of my trou^bles.

Look upon my adversity and mi-se^ry, / and for-give me all my^sins.

Consider mine enemies, how many they *are*; / and they bear a tyrannous *hate* a-gainst me.

O keep my soul, and de-li-ver^me; /

let me not be confounded, for I have put my trust in^thee.

Let perfectness and righteous dealing pre-serve me; / for my hope is in thee.

Deliver Israel, O God, / out of all his trou-bles.

The Lent Prose (see insert)

Attende, Domine

The Holy Gospel (St Luke 11:14)

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The Nicene Creed

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The Sermon

The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, Rector

Offertory Hymn 109 MAN of Sorrows, wrapt in grief *After the biddings, please kneel*

Aberystwyth

After the viadings, please knee

The Prayer of Intercession & Invitation to Confession

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The Confession

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The Absolution, Comfortable Words, & Thanksgiving

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The Sanctus and Benedictus

Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt cœli et terra gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.

Hosanna in excelsis.

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.

The Prayer of Consecration & Pax

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The Prayer of Humble Access

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The Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. (bis).

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. (repeat).

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

The Holy Communion

The Anglican Church of Canada welcomes communicant members of all Churches who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, to receive Holy Communion in faith, hope and charity. At the 10:30 am service, please remain in your pew until the greeter or sidesperson has indicated that it is time to go forward.

Communion Hymn 249 JESU, thou Joy of loving hearts!

Eisenach

Communion Motet

Miserere Mei – Jacob Vaet (1529-1567)

Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam, Et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum, dele iniquitatem meam. Have mercy upon me, O God, after Thy great goodness According to the multitude of Thy mercies do away mine offences.

The Lord's Prayer

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The Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Please kneel

The Lenten Anthem



O KING, ALL glorious amid thy saintly com-pa-ny / who ever shalt be~ prais-èd.

Thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us / and we are called by thy~ ho-ly^Name.

Leave us not, O our God, /

but grant us that with a pure conscience we may duly keep the~ Pas-chal^Feast,

And at the day of judge-ment /

be placed in the number of thy Saints and chosen ones, King most~ bless-èd.

The Blessing

Wareham

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Voluntary

Praeludium in b, BWV 544 – J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Upcoming Special Services and Events in the Round Church

Friday, March 25: The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated with Holy Communion at 12:15pm

Mothering Sunday, March 27: There will be a service of Choral Evensong at 5:00pm including the music of Byrd, Tallis and Robert Ramsey. An offering, in support of St. George's YouthNet will be received during the service.

Today's Offices:

10 am Morning Prayer begins on page 6 of the Prayer Book.

Closing Hymn 457 JESU, where'er thy people meet

Psalms 52 & 54; Gen. 33:1-17; Heb. 12:18-end

5 pm Evensong begins on page 18 of the Prayer Book.

Psalm 55 or 102; Gen. 44:1-45:8; Luke 22:54-end



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Notices & Announcements March 20, 2022

Worship during the Pandemic

During this time of pandemic, please ...

- Sanitize your hands upon entering the building.
- Wear a mask at all times.
- Do not sit in the pews which are closed off.
- Follow the arrows on the floor when moving about the church.

At the time of Communion, please follow the directional arrows on the floor to direct you forward to the altar. At the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service, please remain in your pew until a greeter has signalled that it is time for you to go.

Please refrain from coming to church if you are feeling unwell, have tested positive for COVID, or are required to self-isolate. Visit https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/restrictions-and-guidance for more information.

As per Provincial and Diocesan guidelines, proof of vaccination is not required to attend worship services. The clergy of Saint George's are happy to share with you that they are both fully vaccinated.

COVID Restrictions in the church

This coming week COVID restrictions in Nova Scotia are expected to be relaxed, including the elimination of masking and social distancing. We recognize that a number of people in our congregation are apprehensive about these changes. The Diocese recently sent recommendations and advice to parishes about what we should consider as we make this transition. This coming week, the Rector and wardens will put together a plan which will go to Parish Council for review and approval and will then be shared with the parish. For the time being, we ask that you continue to wear your masks and observe social distancing during worship and at other gatherings in the parish.

Financial Update

Total Budgeted Undesignated Offering for 2022: \$288,676.61 Budgeted undesignated offering as of the end of February: \$48,112.77

Total received as of the end of February: \$49,863.73

Soup Kitchen Update

Our Saturday Soup Kitchen has been operating as a take-out only service since the start of the pandemic. We thank all those who have continued to volunteer, and the parishes and organizations who partner with us to offer hot meals on Saturdays for residents of the inner-city.

Last Week, March 12: Team 3 led by Maxine Miles and Jim Rawding, filling in for Jordan Gracie. Food and volunteers came from St Margaret of Scotland. 92 were served.

Yesterday, March 19: Team 4 led by Alex Bickerton. Food and volunteers came from St Thomas' Fall River.

Next week, March 27: Team 5 led by Jordan Gracie. Food and volunteers will come from Bedford Baptist.

Prayer List

Let us pray for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially: Barbara, the Almasalma Family, Evelyn, Lowell, Wendy, Noah, Daniel, Donald, Ferghal, Sister Vicky, Leroy, Bruce, Jacquie and Arie, Patricia, Ginny, Bonita, Steven, Patricia, Kristian, Louise, Ernest, Eric, Jack and family, William, Elizabeth, Rosanne, The Robertson family, Bev Strople, Adalene, and Kevin.

For the Faithful Departed: Nan Robertson ('21), Rodney Wright ('22), Hugh Tilley ('10), Dick Sweeney ('11), Barry Nicole ('15), Beverly Ann Coolen ('05), Martha Kendall ('06), Ron Zinck ('10), Andrew ('22), Lois Forrest ('22), Dr. Alan Reesor ('22), Christopher West ('10), Greta Ells ('18), Ron Marshall ('18), Marjorie Dawkins ('14), and Timothy George Moore ('08), and Shirley Wilmhoff ('22).

If you have names to add to the list, please email Father Hatt (rector@roundchurch.ca) or speak with him in person.

Scripture Readings for the Week

The Scripture readings below can be read on their own, or with the daily offices of Morning and Evening Prayer (see pp. 1-24 in the Book of Common Prayer), or the shortened Family Prayers in the back of the Book of Common Prayer (see pages 728-736).

	Morning Prayer		Evening Prayer	
Mon	Exod. 12. 37- end	John 4. 27-end	Exod. 13. 1-16	Eph. 3
Tue	13. 17-14. 14	5. 1-23	14. 15-end	4. 1-16
Wed	15. 1-26	5. 24-end	15. 27-16. 35	4. 17-30
Thu	17	6. 1-21	Gen. 3:1-15	Rom. 5:12-end
Fri	Isa. 52:7-12	Heb. 2:5-end	1 Sam. 2:1-10	Matt. 1:18-23
Sat	Exod. 22. 20-23.	John 6. 41-end	Exod. 23. 18-end	Eph. 6. 10-end

Sunday School - in person again!

Sunday School has resumed meeting in person on Sundays during the 10:30 a.m. service. Young people in grades 1 to 6 are most welcome. Young people and teachers gather at the side door following the Nicene Creed and head over to the church hall. They return to the church during the distribution of the Holy Communion.

New Flag of Saint George

The recent wind storms damaged our flag of Saint George which has been been flown for many years on the flagpole facing Brunswick Street. A new flag was dedicated two Sundays ago at the 8 a.m. Holy Communion, to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Larry Miles. Thank you to Maxine Miles for her care for the flag.

Coffee Hour next Sunday!

We hope to hold our first coffee hour in the parish hall (after a two-year break!) NEXT Sunday, March 27th following the 10:30 a.m. service. Of course, this depends upon COVID regulations, but we are hopeful, knowing of course that not everyone is yet comfortable gathering for fellowship. Michal and Trudie are planning to have the used book table up and running at this time, so you will also be able to see all the treasures to be had which have been piling up over the past two years.

Choral Evensong for Mothering Sunday, March 27

Next Sunday March 27th at 5pm, the beautiful service of Choral Evensong will be sung by our parish choir. Music for the service will include Responses by William Byrd, Thomas Tallis' Choral Introit In manus tuas, the canticles will be Evening Service by Robert Ramsey and the anthem will be Miserere mei by Byrd. The voluntary, Johann Sebastian Bach's Passacaglia in c, BWV 582, will conclude the service. It will be a delight to hear the lovely music of Evensong again after such a long time. We hope to have a guest speaker from St George's YouthNet to tell us about their current programs and an Offering will be received at this service in support of YouthNet.

PWRDF Support for Ukraine

The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) is providing financial support to local aid agencies in Ukraine to help those forced to flee their homes (now thought to be more than 1 million people) due to the Russian invasion. If you would like to make a donation to support their efforts, please visit www.pwrdf.org/give-today and click on 'Response in Ukraine' or phone 1-866-308-7973. You can also place a cheque in the offering plate (payable to the Parish of Saint George) clearly marked for 'Ukraine Support' and we will forward the funds.

The Lenten Fast

The Book of Common Prayer (page xiii) directs all Christians to observe the following days of fasting, abstinence, and solemn prayer during Lent:

Major fast days: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On both these days, from sunrise to sundown, we should try to go without food and water during the day.

Days of Abstinence: The Forty Days of Lent (this excludes the Sundays in Lent). On these days we should eat simple, smaller meals, and undertake other forms of self-denial, giving up a luxury or indulgence.

Days of Solemn Prayer: The Lenten Ember Days being the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday after the First Sunday in Lent. On these days we should spend extra time in daily prayer and try our best to attend the Holy Communion.

Rule of Life

Lent is a time to examine our relationship with God, with one another, and creation. You can begin this by using the '**Rule of Life**' from the Book of Common Prayer (page 555) to examine your life:

Every Christian man or woman should from time to time frame for himself a RULE OF LIFE in accordance with the precepts of the Gospel and the faith and order of the Church; wherein he may consider the following:

The regularity of his attendance at public worship and especially at the holy Communion.

The practice of private prayer, Bible-reading, and self-discipline.

Bringing the teaching and example of Christ into his everyday life.

The boldness of his spoken witness to his faith in Christ.

His personal service to the Church and the community.

The offering of money according to his means for the support of the work of the Church at home and overseas.

Lenten Bible Study

Father Hatt is leading a study of the Book of Genesis on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. throughout Lent. All are welcome! We will meet in the Guild Room on the second floor of the hall. Masks are required, and if we have inclement weather we will try to gather online via Zoom.

Holy Communion every Friday in Lent

Father Peter Harris will celebrate the **Holy Communion every Friday in Lent** at 12:15 p.m.until Friday April 8th. Consider adding these services to your Lenten devotions this year.

Prayer Vigil for Peace each Sunday in Lent

Every Sunday in Lent, join us in the Round Church for Sung Evening Prayer at 5 p.m. following which we will sit in silence and in candlelight for 30 minutes, praying for an end to war and for peace and healing in our divided world, as we hold open a space in our hearts for Christ to fill with his love.

Refugee Sponsorship Update

Achol and her family are gradually settling in to their new life in Canada. Thank you to everyone who donated clothing, furniture, and other household goods. The increase in costs over the past few years means that we are most in need of monetary donations over the next few months to meet our commitment to support the family during their first year here. Cheques made out to the "St George's Refugee Sponsorship" can be placed in the offering plate or you can donate online via our Canada Helps page at https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/11171. Please choose "Refugee Sponsorship" in the drop-down menu.

Update from the Parish AGM

Our Annual General Meeting was held recently. We welcome the following newly elected Parish Council members: Kara Holm, Matthew Vanderkwaak, Marilyn Orr, Nic Lucciola, and Cameron Lowe. Thank you to them for agreeing to serve. We bid our thanks to Nathan McAllister who completed his term as warden and to our auditors for the past two years, Anne Snook and Sarah Stevenson. The budget for 2022 was passed and is largely consistent with last year's budget except for funds for the restoration of part of the Gerrish Street wall at the Little Dutch Church cemetery which we expect to raise mostly through grants. The parish decided to use \$6,000 of the \$35,000 surplus from last year to finish the modest renovations to the Trinity House kitchen and to set aside the remainder of the surplus as contingency fund to be used at the discretion of Parish Council, especially for unforeseen property expenses or improvements. Printed copies of the Annual Report for 2021 are available at the back of the church and it is available online at https://www.roundchurch.ca/parishrecords. Thank you to everyone for their contributions to our ongoing ministries over the past year.

The Third Sunday in Lent

excerpt from COMMON PRAYER: A Commentary on the Prayer Book Lectionary

In the Epistle appointed for the Second Sunday in Lent, we read about the lust of the flesh, the first kind of temptation our Lord experienced in the wilderness. With this week's lessons, we begin a consideration of the second kind of temptation, the one John calls the lust of the eyes' (I John 2:16). This may sound like a strange phrase, but as we

examine it, we begin to understand why it is used to describe this second temptation, the temptation to test God.

We all know that the five senses of the body can be tempted to indulge in sensual pleasures beyond the limits of prudence. This is the lust of the flesh. However, there is a more subtle, intellectual temptation that also enters by way of the senses since all our knowledge of the world around us comes through the senses and what they perceive. The senses provide the information with which our minds can work.

The knowledge we thus receive by our experience of nature is not a bad thing in itself. All natural science and technology is based upon it, but the desire for such knowledge can get out of control, giving rise to a useless and empty curiosity not only about created things, but also about the Creator himself. Since sight is the highest of the senses, we express our understanding of things, no matter how it comes to us, by saying, I see. Thus the imprudent and impious desire for experimental knowledge is called the lust of the eyes.

This is the temptation our Lord faced when the devil told him to throw himself down from the pinnacle of the temple. If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down (Matt. 4:6). If you are the son of God, demonstrate it by this experiment. Prove it, so that all can perceive it with their own eyes. Show a sign, so that all may see. But Jesus' only answer is Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. (Matt. 4:7) You shall not test God, for your relationship to him is one of faith.

In today's Gospel, we see this same temptation proposed to our Lord. But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebul, the prince of the devils; and others tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven' (Luke 11:15-16). Yet as our Lord pointed out, the truth is plain to see. Beelzebul will not work against himself. His followers can only be cast out by the finger of God, the power of the Holy Spirit. With the truth as plain to see as that, the only proper response is a glad and willing faith in all that God has revealed to us of himself. The soul which has been led astray by the lust of the eyes' is unable to see and understand the truth which is shown to it.

The people of the present day are at least as subject to the lust of the eyes as to the lust of the flesh. Our most characteristic activity is an idle manipulation of nature, which has divulged the secrets of creation and procreation in an impious and dangerous way. And as we seek to become like gods in relation to creation, we exchange the true creator of all for a host of false philosophies and religions.

Thank God, we have been delivered from this mental darkness, and have become the children of light (see Eph. 5:8 and Rom 1:21). However, we must be sure that our minds are full of faith, or else the devil which has been cast out will return with seven other spirits more wicked than himself and our last state will be worse than the first.



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Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Sun - La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

Mon – The Diocese of Kitale – The Anglican Church of Kenya

Tue – The Diocese of Kiteto – The Anglican Church of Tanzania

Wed – The Diocese of Kitgum – The Church of the Province of Uganda

Thu – The Diocese of Kitui – The Anglican Church of Kenya **Fri** – The Diocese of Kivu – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

Sat - The Diocese of Nord Kivu - Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Northumbria Region

Anglican Churches of Pictou County: The Rev'd Darlene Jewers

Liscomb with Port Bickerton: the Rev'd Kristen MacKenzie (on leave); The Rev'd Sue

Channen, Priest-in-Charge