

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 5, 2017

*Behold the Lamb of God who takes away
the sin of the world!*

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer:

✠ Psalm 38 | Genesis 13 | St. Matthew 9:1-17

9:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist

Introit: Psalm 91:1-8:	page 448
The Ten Commandments:	page 68
<i>The Gloria is omitted during Lent</i>	
The Collect:	page 140
The Old Testament Reading:	Genesis 3:1-6
Gradual: Psalm 91:9-16:	page 448
The Epistle:	page 140
The Holy Gospel:	page 141
The Creed:	page 71
The Homily	
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in thy mercy; C: Hear our prayer
The Consecration:	page 82
Post-Communion Prayer:	page 85

9:45 a.m. – Sunday School: Parish Hall
Time with Fr. Whitney

10:30 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist

♫ Processional Hymn:	105 (Heinlein)
The Ten Commandments:	page 68
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♫ Offertory Hymn:	802 (The Solid Rock)
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in thy mercy; C: Hear our prayer
The Consecration:	page 82
♫ Hymn during Communion:	221 (Unde et Memores)
Post-Communion Prayer:	page 85
♫ Recessional Hymn:	593 (Rockingham)

*Please join us in the Parish Hall following the
10:30 Celebration for our monthly **Shared Meal**.*



From the Rector

You may have noticed that an addition has been made to the number of readings used at this weekend's Celebrations of the Holy Eucharist.

Starting this week, I will be including each Sunday a reading from the Old Testament in addition to the usual New Testament Epistle and Gospel, in each case chosen for its theological and spiritual relation to the other readings.

I've done so to help us, as a Parish Family, to engage a wider range of Holy Scripture as we reflect each week on what God's Word is telling us about our relationship with Him and our relationships with each other, and ourselves, in Him.

While the daily readings appointed in the Prayer Book always include a passage from the Old Testament (or Apocrypha), our readings at the Holy Eucharist seldom do; and I think that we often miss out on a depth of meaning by not reading liturgically the same Scriptures that formed and shaped Christ's own personal faith and understanding.

While the inclusion of an additional reading will add a few minutes to our Sunday celebrations I'm confident that the time will be well spent as we think about how God's Word, and the long prophetic tradition of God's People, found fulfilment in the life, teaching, and ministry of Jesus Christ.



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MARCH 8: LENTEN EMBER DAY

6:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

MARCH 9: LENTEN FERIA

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

Followed by time for personal prayer in the Church

MARCH 10: LENTEN EMBER DAY

6:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

MARCH 11: THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

4:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

MARCH 12: THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

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THE PARISH OF ST. MARY (YORK)



Fire tests iron; temptation tests an honest person.
Sometimes we don't know what we can do until
temptation shows us what we are.

Thomas à Kempis, *The Imitation of Christ*

Priest and Rector

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Lent at St. Mary's

- * You might want to think about saying the **Daily Office**, the day by day praying of Morning and Evening Prayer as set out in the Prayer Book, which can be done by anyone who wants to set aside a little time each day. Please speak to the Rector if you'd like some instruction on how to use the Prayer Book in this way to develop your prayer life;
- * Our Wednesday mid-week **Celebration of the Holy Eucharist** at 7:00 p.m., is an excellent way to set aside additional time each week to develop our relationship with Christ and His Church;
- * **Each Thursday morning through Lent** the Church will be unlocked for anyone who wishes time for private prayer or meditation. Morning Prayer will be said at 8:30 a.m. and those who wish to take advantage of this quiet may do so by dropping in for as little or as much time as they wish.
- * **Our weekly Friday morning Bible Study** at 10:00 a.m. at the Rectory is an excellent way to engage the Word of God in an encouraging and hopeful (and often amusing) way. If you can set aside the time, think about making a six week commitment to our group. Visitors are always welcome.
- * At 7:00 p.m. each Friday throughout Lent we will be offering the **Stations of the Cross**, a quiet reflective service in which we journey through Christ's steps on the road to the Cross. This brief service is an excellent and hopeful mediation on what Christ was accomplishing on our behalf by His sacrificial death and glorious resurrection;
- * **There are a number of useful books** that members of the Parish might wish to use as a daily exercise throughout Lent. Starting on Ash Wednesday, a number of resources will again be displayed on a table at the back of the Nave. Have a look to see if there is anything that interests you and, if so, be sure to sign it out. (Please speak to the Rector if there is something else you might like to read);
- * **We're very pleased to announce** that Fr. Lee Whitney will be offering a three week programme on the first three Sundays in Lent (March 5th 12th & 19th) entitled: ***Mystery into Word: an Exploration of the Church's Journey from Septuagesima to Mothering Sunday as found in the Lectionary Readings.*** Regular participants in our Sunday morning discussion group and newcomers are warmly encouraged to join us in the Parish Hall.
- * **Copies of the Green Churches Network 2017 Lenten Calendar** are available on the table in the narthex. Have a look to see if this innovative exercise will help you to develop more responsible stewardship habits. Copies are also available at: <http://www.greenchurches.ca/education/300-lent>
- * If you're planning to **give something up for Lent**, think about how you might use that exercise to give something away. Can we swap some of the discretionary income that we use for everyday luxuries to give a donation to a worthy cause? Sometimes what seems like a small amount of money or time to us makes the world of difference to someone in need. Throughout Lent let us think about what small things we can do without that would make a big difference for someone else.

Parish Notices and Updates

Please join us this morning following the 10:30 a.m. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist for our monthly *Shared Meal*. Members of both congregations are warmly encouraged to gather with their sisters and brothers in Christ as we share the peace and joy which are have in Jesus Christ.

Thanks! Thanks! And lots more thanks! We enjoyed a great time together as a Parish Family, with other friends and family, this past week at our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. An estimated 130 to 140 people were able to be with us. Thanks to all those who came out; and an extra big thanks to the many willing workers who volunteered time and talent to make it happen!

St. Mary's weekly Bible Study "Faithful and True: a Look at the Women in Holy Scripture," resumes this coming *Friday at 10:00 a.m.* at the Rectory. Everyone is warmly invited to join us; and if your schedule only permits you to attend occasionally, please plan to join us when you can.

Our friends in the Parish of Marysville are challenging the people of St. Mary's and other neighbouring parishes to their 1st annual Charity Bowling Tournament to raise funds for Bishop McAllister College and Anglican Seminary in Uganda. The event will be held on *Saturday, March 25th*, at Bowl-a-Drome (301 Main Street) from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. It's hoped that St. Mary's can organise two teams of 5 or 6 bowlers each, so please speak to the Rector if you're interested. To help with organisation, they'd like to know the names of the participants by the beginning of March. ***A signup sheet is available on the table in the narthex. Plan to help make this excellent project a success!***

RE-SCHEDULED! The Men of St. Mary's, and their friends, are invited to join us for **PINT of VIEW**, on *Thursday, March 16th* at 7:30 p.m. at *Bill & Adele Knox's (5 Ruby Court)*. Dr. John Valk, Professor of Worldview Studies at Renaissance College (UNB), will be leading a discussion on a very timely matter: Islam in a modern, democratic and secular state, the subject of one of his recent books. Please join us for a stimulating conversation while we enjoy some of Fredericton's finest craft beer.

St. Mary's branch of Anglican Church Women will be meeting on, *Monday, March 13th*, beginning with lunch at 12:00 noon at the northside Pizza Delight, followed by a business meeting at the Parish Hall. The women of St. Mary's are warmly invited to join them.

Hospice Fredericton is accepting referrals for the Adult Day Centre at 621 Churchill Row. They are open every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and welcome clients with cognitive or physical impairments of any kind that are 55 and older. The Centre offers a wide range of stimulating programs for memory loss, physical challenges, or social isolation. Activities will include music, games, trivia, bingo, and various exercise programs. For more information on their Adult Day Program contact Nicole Pike at 621 Churchill Row, by phone at 206-7955 or by email at hospiceadc@gmail.com