

# THE SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

May 28, 2017

*Alleluia! Christ has ascended in heaven!  
O Come let us worship! Alleluia!*

## **8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer:**

✠ Psalm 21 | Isaiah 65:17-end | St. Luke 24:36-end

## **9:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist**

Introit: Psalm 27:1-12:	page 360
The Gloria:	page 86
The Collect:	page 203
The Old Testament Reading:	2 Kings 2.9-15
Psalm 20:	page 352
The Epistle:	page 203
Gradual Psalm: 47:5-10:	page 389
The Holy Gospel:	page 203
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. Stockall*

## **10:30 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist**

♪ Processional Hymn:	174 (Llanfair)
The Gloria:	page 86
The Collect:	page 203
The Old Testament Reading:	2 Kings 2.9-15
♪ Psalm:	<i>please see the bulletin insert</i>
The Epistle:	page 203
♪ Gradual Hymn:	<b>Hail thee Festival Day</b> <i>please see the bulletin insert</i>
The Holy Gospel:	page 203
♪ Gospel Acclamation:	<b>Alleluia</b>
The Creed:	page 71
The Homily	
♪ Offertory Hymn:	357 (King's Weston)
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in thy mercy; C: Hear our prayer
The Consecration:	page 82
♪ Hymn during Communion:	235 (St. Osmund)
Post-Communion Prayer:	page 85
♪ Recessional Hymn:	392 (Darwall)

*Please join us in the Parish Hall  
following the 10:30 Celebration for  
Coffee & Conversation.*

## *From the Rector* \_\_\_\_\_

In last Sunday's column I wrote about the heritage of St. Augustine of Canterbury, the first Archbishop of Canterbury in a long line of archbishops that has included some of the greatest scholars and teachers and pastors in our tradition: Theodore of Tarsus, Dunstan, Anselm, Thomas Becket; Thomas Cranmer, Matthew Parker, Richard Bancroft, William Laud, Edward Benson, William Temple and Michael Ramsey all stand out in my mind.

This week I'd like to mention the man whom the Church remembers on May 27<sup>th</sup>, from whom we learn much of what we know about Augustine of Canterbury, the English monk Bede who lived in the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> centuries and whose most famous work, the *Ecclesiastical History of the English People* gained him the title "The Father of English history."

Likely to have been a member of a noble family, Bede was sent at the age of seven by his family to a monastery on the north-east coast of the British Isles, to be educated, a relatively common practice for families that had the resources, especially in light of the strong academic tradition which has been retained by the missionaries from the Celtic Church in that region.

In time Bede was ordained and settled into an active life filled with prayer, scholarship, teaching, and writing. In all, he wrote over 60 books, most of which have survived, covering a range of subjects including science, history, theology grammar, chronology, and music, as well as highly regarded scriptural commentaries. While he is not credited with having invented the concept of dating time in relation to the assumed date of the birth of Christ (Anno Domini or A.D.), his adoption of it and promulgation of it in his work on chronology, is the main reason why it is now widely used. He is said to have been the most learned man of his time, not just in Britain but throughout the Christian world.

But above all he is remembered for his thoroughly researched and charmingly recounted story of the English people and church, a text that continues to stand up well, with some reservations, in the minds of current scholars and historians. One regarded it as one of the "small class of books which transcend all but the most fundamental conditions of time and place", and regarded its quality as dependent on Bede's "astonishing power of co-ordinating the fragments of information which came to him through tradition, the relation of friends, or documentary evidence ... In an age where little was attempted beyond the registration of fact, he had reached the conception of history."

Such praise is well deserved; and the text reads well today. Please let me know if you'd like to have a look. It will more than reward your time.

*The Lord is glorious in his saints: O come, let us worship!*



## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### **MAY 31: JUSTIN MARTYR**

6:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

### **JUNE 1: ASCENSION FERIA**

10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, *Alleira Assisted Living*

### **JUNE 3: THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY**

4:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

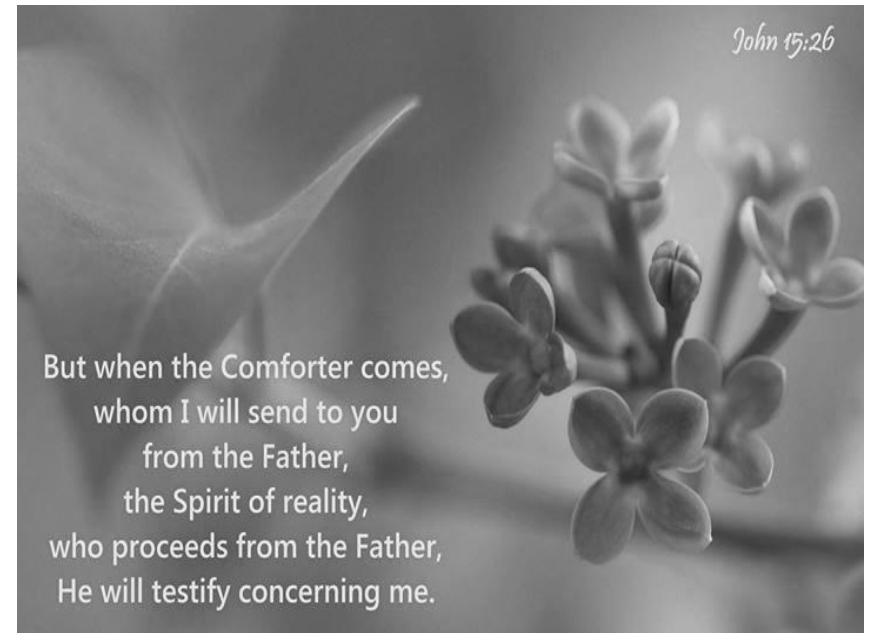
### **JUNE 4: THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

*The Anglican Church of Canada*  
*The Diocese of Fredericton*  
**THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, YORK**



The word "Comforter" as applied to the Holy Spirit needs to be translated by some vigorous term. Literally, it means "with strength." Jesus promised His followers that "The Strengthener" would be with them forever. This promise is no lullaby for the faint-hearted. It is a blood transfusion for courageous living.

E. Paul Hovey

---

#### *Priest and Rector*

The Revd. Canon Kevin M. Stockall, B.A. (Hons), M.Div.

Rectory: 770 McEvoy Street, Fredericton NB E3A 3B7

454.0245 (rectory) | 472.4661 (office) | 461.7685 (cell) | kevin.stockall@bellaliant.net

Visit us at: <http://www.stmarysfredericton.ca/>

*Honorary Assistant*

Fr. David Mercer

*Organist*

James O'Neill

*Pastoral Assistant*

Rick Bungay

## Parish Notices and Updates

Members of the Parish Corporation (Wardens and Vestry) are reminded of the meeting scheduled for *today*, starting at 12:15 p.m. Those who are unable to attend are asked to convey their regrets either to the Rector or the Vestry Clerk.

**Don't forget that next Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, the Church** will commemorate the Feast of Pentecost, or Whitsunday, the day on which the Holy Spirit was given to the Church that it might carry out the ministry to which it is called. The liturgical colour for Pentecost is red, in remembrance of the flames of fire that appeared on the heads of the Apostles, as described in Acts 2. *To help celebrate that day, EVERYONE is invited to wear something red that day when they come to Church.* Let's try to fill the Church with the bright red of Holy Fire when we gather on June 4<sup>th</sup> for the Feast of Pentecost!

### **BREAKING NEWS - Sunday School Celebration and Congregational Party!**

Come and join in the fun on **Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the 10:30 Celebration of the Holy Eucharist in conjunction with our weekly Shared Meal! This is an event for all ages (and for both congregations!) so please make a point of joining in on the fun. *There will be a BBQ: if you can, feel free to bring salads or desserts to help fill out the meal.* Everything else will be supplied. It's time to bring the kid out in everyone and be a spectator or even better, a participant!

☺ We will have a variety of both indoor and outdoor games (weather permitting).

**St. Mary's weekly Bible Study** concludes for the summer this coming *Friday at 10:00 a.m.* at the Rectory. Following the study everyone is invited to remain for a concluding luncheon, based on some of the themes that have been explored in their brief session on the Holy Eucharist. Everyone is warmly invited to join us.

**The Annual Spring Yard Sale**, organized by your Parish Choir, is going to be held on *Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>* from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. They'll need you to bring your donations of good quality used items to the Church Hall on, or before, *Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>*. For more information contact: Shirley at 366-3337.

**Have to be at work on Sunday morning?** Have another engagement that will prevent you from attending? Not sure about the weather? Don't forget that we have a weekly Celebration of the Holy Eucharist on *Saturday evenings at 5:00 p.m.* Please speak to the Rector if you have any questions; and plan to join us any Saturday evening if this time is more suitable for your schedule.

**Want to learn more about how you can make a difference** at the local level. Fredericton's Greener Village Food Centre has a dynamic offering of programmes to development stronger communities and support those struggling to live of the margin. Check out their many different programmes at: <http://www.frederictonfoodbank.com/>



## Parish Notices and Updates

Members of the Parish Corporation (Wardens and Vestry) are reminded of the meeting scheduled for *today*, starting at 12:15 p.m. Those who are unable to attend are asked to convey their regrets either to the Rector or the Vestry Clerk.

**Don't forget that next Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, the Church** will commemorate the Feast of Pentecost, or Whitsunday, the day on which the Holy Spirit was given to the Church that it might carry out the ministry to which it is called. The liturgical colour for Pentecost is red, in remembrance of the flames of fire that appeared on the heads of the Apostles, as described in Acts 2. *To help celebrate that day, EVERYONE is invited to wear something red that day when they come to Church.* Let's try to fill the Church with the bright red of Holy Fire when we gather on June 4<sup>th</sup> for the Feast of Pentecost!

### **BREAKING NEWS - Sunday School Celebration and Congregational Party!**

Come and join in the fun on **Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the 10:30 Celebration of the Holy Eucharist in conjunction with our weekly Shared Meal! This is an event for all ages (and for both congregations!) so please make a point of joining in on the fun. *There will be a BBQ: if you can, feel free to bring salads or desserts to help fill out the meal.* Everything else will be supplied. It's time to bring the kid out in everyone and be a spectator or even better, a participant!

☺ We will have a variety of both indoor and outdoor games (weather permitting).

**St. Mary's weekly Bible Study** concludes for the summer this coming *Friday at 10:00 a.m.* at the Rectory. Following the study everyone is invited to remain for a concluding luncheon, based on some of the themes that have been explored in their brief session on the Holy Eucharist. Everyone is warmly invited to join us.

**The Annual Spring Yard Sale**, organized by your Parish Choir, is going to be held on *Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>* from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. They'll need you to bring your donations of good quality used items to the Church Hall on, or before, *Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>*. For more information contact: Shirley at 366-3337.

**Have to be at work on Sunday morning?** Have another engagement that will prevent you from attending? Not sure about the weather? Don't forget that we have a weekly Celebration of the Holy Eucharist on *Saturday evenings at 5:00 p.m.* Please speak to the Rector if you have any questions; and plan to join us any Saturday evening if this time is more suitable for your schedule.

**Want to learn more about how you can make a difference** at the local level. Fredericton's Greener Village Food Centre has a dynamic offering of programmes to development stronger communities and support those struggling to live of the margin. Check out their many different programmes at: <http://www.frederictonfoodbank.com/>

