

# THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER

# EASTER

May 5, 2019

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

*The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

## **8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer:**

✠ Psalm 135 | Exodus 16:2-15 | 1 Corinthians 15:1-26

## **9:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist**

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*People:* **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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| Introit: Psalm 33:1-9:     | page 367                                     |
| The Gloria:                | page 86                                      |
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| The Old Testament Reading: | Ezekiel 34.11-16a                            |
| Easter Anthems             | page 182                                     |
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| Gradual Psalm 63:1-4:      | page 405                                     |
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| The Prayers of the People: | L: Lord, in your mercy<br>C: Hear our prayer |
| The Consecration:          | page 82                                      |
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**9:45 a.m. – Sunday School: Parish Hall**  
**Time with Fr. Stockall**

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

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| ♪ PROCESSIONAL HYMN:       | 155 (Easter Hymn)                            |
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| ♪ GRADUAL HYMN:            | 606 (St. Albinus)                            |
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| ♪ OFFERTORY HYMN:          | 539 (St. Columba)                            |
| The Prayers of the People: | L: Lord, in your mercy<br>C: Hear our prayer |
| The Consecration:          | page 82                                      |
| ♪ HYMN DURING COMMUNION:   | 232 (St. Agnes)                              |
| Post-Communion Prayer:     | page 85                                      |
| ♪ RECESSIONAL HYMN:        | 165 (Ave Virgo Virginum)                     |

*Everyone is invited to join us in  
the Parish Hall following the  
10:30 Celebration for our  
monthly Shared Meal!*



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

When Jesus likens us to sheep, he's not thinking about images of cute, cuddly, loveable lambs, frolicking on the grass. Jesus is really comparing us to the huddled frightened flocks of sheep that will run willy-nilly at the slightest rumour of danger; those large flocks that mindlessly lead themselves into every danger possible. He is, in fact, talking about the confused and the helpless, the defenceless and the chaotic; and we are not, for a moment, intended to be flattered by that image. Now, we have two choices when we hear these words of Jesus. We might be offended and insulted. Or we might, for a moment, reflect not just on what Christ is saying about us but on what He is saying about Himself, and what He is prepared to do for us.

A shepherd can only guide if the sheep are willing to follow; and we are all too ready to assume that we should be in charge, that we know what is best; that we are the best masters of our own destinies. We all have our own ideas of what we want in life, of where we want to go and what we want to do. We each have our hopes and expectations, and we quite naturally grow frustrated, maybe even angry, when something or someone stands in our way. We start out each day with certain ideas of what we hope to accomplish and on the way other things intrude, and we can easily greet all these intrusions as enemies to our happiness.

But the secret to our happiness will never rely entirely on what we can have or acquire for ourselves. Each step in that path will prove to be just one more step towards an elusive goal, if we think that it all depends on us and on what we can do. Real happiness will come when we seek above all things to follow Christ, to trust Good Shepherd, and to walk whenever He calls us to walk. For us, that may mean any number of things that we may not wish to do; things we may not believe we have the time or the talent to do. For us it may mean modifying or even surrendering some of our goals. It may mean establishing entirely new kinds of goal. It may mean choosing the more difficult way rather than the easy way. It may mean the way of sacrifice over the way of compromise. But if Christ is to be the shepherd who will comfort us, He must also be the shepherd who leads us, wherever He chooses to go.

Jesus invites us to follow; and in all things we have the freedom to choose to follow or not. We have the power to say either yes or no; the power to walk with Christ and the power to walk away. But if we take our Lord's words seriously, we have to conclude that only one of those choices leads to the kind of life we want but will only find when we are willing to follow the shepherd who laid down His life for the sheep.

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If Christ is risen, nothing else matters.  
And if Christ is not risen—nothing else matters.

Jaroslav Pelikan

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### *Priest and Rector*

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## 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 encouraged to gather with their sisters and brothers in Christ as we share the peace and joy which are have in Jesus Christ.

**ST. MARY'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY** is held every *Friday, starting at 10:00 a.m.* at the Rectory. We've started a new study of the Gospel According to St. Luke. 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.

**THE NEXT IN A SERIES OF DIOCESAN SPONSORED DISCIPLESHIP DAYS**, offered to encourage growing together in our knowledge of and love for Christ, is scheduled for *Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>*, at St. John the Evangelist Church, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bishop David Edwards will explore the nature of the Church. We've all heard that the Church is the people, not our building and properties. What did Jesus mean when He said His followers would become the Church? What does it mean for us to be the Church today? Everyone is welcome. The cost is \$15, which will provide resource materials and lunch. Pre-registration is required: go to [nb.anglican.ca/events/calendar](http://nb.anglican.ca/events/calendar). For more information contact Shawn Branch at [sbranch@diofton.ca](mailto:sbranch@diofton.ca).

**ST. MARY'S MOTHERS' UNION** invites you to a **MOTHER'S DAY HIGH TEA** on *Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>*, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Enjoy a delicious menu of Tea Sandwiches, Biscuits with Jam, and Sweets, with Tea and Lemonade. Tickets, which should be purchased in advance and are available from Mothers' Union members, are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. Plan to bring your Mother, your Grandmother, or your Godmother on the Mother's Day weekend; or anyone who might like to join you. *The revenue from this fun event will support the Renewing St. Mary's Project.*

**ST. MARY'S BRANCH OF ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN** will be meeting on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, in the Parish Hall, beginning with lunch at 12:00 noon followed by a business meeting. The women of St. Mary's are warmly invited to join them. For more information please speak to Doreen Lawrence or the Rector.

**PLEASE NOTE THE NEW DATE!!!!** We apologise that we had to postpone the **Congregational Roast Pork Dinner**, which had been scheduled for this weekend. **We hope that everyone will be able to join us on the new date: on Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>.** (Please note the different day of the week.) As before, beverages will be available at 5:30 p.m. and Dinner will be served at 6:00. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to share in this opportunity to gather as the Family of God around the table for fellowship and mutual support; and we very warmly encourage you to

invite your family and friends. A basket will be available to those who would like to make a freewill offering, which this year will be directed towards our Renewing St. Mary's Project. **We ask that you sign up again if you're able to join us on the 30<sup>th</sup>.** A new signup sheet has been placed on the table in the narthex. Please let us know either there or by email to the Rector by *Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>*, if you plan to attend. **We hope to see everyone there!**

**THE ANNUAL SPRING YARD SALE**, organized by your Parish Choir, is going to be held on *Saturday, June 1<sup>st</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, May 31<sup>st</sup>*. Contact Shirley Hovey at 366-3337 for more information.

**THE CHOIRS OF HOLY TRINITY, NEW MARYLAND, CHRIST CHURCH (PARISH CHURCH), ST. PETER'S, AND ST. MARY'S** are combining for the third in a series of services of Choral Evensong on *Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>*, at 4:00 p.m. **HERE** at St. Mary's. Everyone is warmly invited to join us. Choral Evensong is one of the great spiritual gems of the Anglican tradition: a beautiful blending of Scripture, music, and prayer that brings our day to a quiet and graceful close. The focus of our third service will be our Pentecost celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Light refreshments will be offered following the Service.



### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**MAY 8: ST. GREGORY OF NAZIANZUS**, Bishop & Doctor  
6:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer  
7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

**MAY 9: ST. GREGORY OF NAZIANZUS**, Bishop & Doctor  
8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer  
*Followed by time for personal prayer in the Church*

**MAY 11: THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER**  
4:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer  
5:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

**MAY 12: THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER**  
8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer  
9:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist  
10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist  
*Followed by Coffee & Conversation in the Parish Hall*