

The Parish Church of
St James' King Street
Sunday 28th April 2024

S^T. JAMES'
Bicentenary 2019-2024

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am **Holy Eucharist**
Preacher: The Rev'd John Stewart

9:30am **Choral Matins**
Preacher: Associate Professor Michael Horsburgh AM
Hymns: 394, 402, 235
Psalm: 99 (Attwood)
Canticles: Ireland in F
Anthem: Henry Ley - *The strife is o'er*
Choir: The Choir of St James'

11:00am **Choral Eucharist**
Preacher: The Rev'd John Stewart
Hymns: 364 (t. 185), 369, 310, 420
Introit: Mundy - *A new commandment*
Setting: Clemens - *Missa Caro mea*
Psalm: 22.26-32 (Rawsthorne)
Motet: Monteverdi - *Cantate Domino*
Choir: The Choir of St James'

As Sydney's oldest church, St James' is a place of soul-stirring worship, challenging preaching and fine music. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity or religion. We also acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship - the Gadigal of the Eora Nation.

Propers for The Eucharist

Invitation to Confession

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

Silence may be kept.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

Collect of the Day

O God,
form the minds of your faithful people,
that we may love what you command
and desire what you promise,
so that, amid the many changes of this world,
our hearts may there be fixed where true joys are to be found;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading

Acts 8.26-40

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, ‘About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?’ Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, ‘Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?’ He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.’

For the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

Psalm

22.26-32

The psalm is recited antiphonally, a long pause being observed at the colon

From you springs my praise in the great congregation :

I will pay my vows in the sight of all that fear you;

The meek shall eat of the sacrifice and be satisfied :

and those who seek the Lord shall praise him—

may their hearts rejoice for ever!

Let all the ends of the earth remember and turn to the Lord :

and let all the families of the nations worship before him.

For the kingdom is the Lord’s :

and he shall be ruler over the nations.

How can those who sleep in the earth do him homage :

or those that descend to the dust bow down before him?

But he has saved my life for himself :

and my posterity shall serve him.

This shall be told of my Lord to a future generation :

and his righteousness declared to a people yet unborn,
that he has done it.

Second Reading

1 John 4.7-21

A reading from the First Epistle of John

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

For the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

John 15. 1-8

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you what is pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Readings for Matins

Psalm

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Dominus regnavit

THE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient :

he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.

The Lord is great in Sion :

and high above all people.

They shall give thanks unto thy Name :

which is great, wonderful, and holy.

The King's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared equity :

thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob.

O magnify the Lord our God :

and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy.

Moses and Aaron among his priests,

and Samuel among such as call upon his Name :

these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.

He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar :

for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.

Thou heardest them, O Lord our God :

thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions.

O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him upon his holy hill :

for the Lord our God is holy.

First Reading

Isaiah 60.1-14

Here beginneth the sixtieth chapter of the book of the Prophet Isaiah

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord. All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered to you, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister to you; they shall be acceptable on my altar, and I will glorify my glorious house.

Who are these that fly like a cloud, and like doves to their windows? For the coastlands shall wait for me, the ships of Tarshish first, to bring your children from far away, their silver and gold with them, for the name of the Lord your God, and for the Holy One of Israel, Foreigners shall build up your walls, and their kings shall minister to you; for in my wrath I struck you down, but in my favour I have had mercy on you. Your gates shall always be open; day and night they shall not be shut, so that nations shall bring you their wealth, with their kings led in procession. For the nation and kingdom that will not serve you shall perish; those nations shall be utterly laid waste. The glory of Lebanon shall come to you, the cypress, the plane, and the pine, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will glorify where my feet rest. The descendants of those who oppressed you shall come bending low to you, and all who despised you shall bow down at your feet; they shall call you the City of the Lord, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Second Reading

Matthew 5.38-48

Here beginneth the thirty-eighth verse of the fifth chapter of the Gospel according to St Matthew

‘You have heard that it was said, “An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.” But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.

‘You have heard that it was said, “You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.” But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same?

And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

The Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Easter

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Anthem at Matins

The strife is o'er, the battle done;
Now is the Victor's triumph won;
O let the song of praise be sung. Hallelujah!

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,
And Jesus hath his foes dispersed;
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst. Hallelujah!

On the third morn he rose again
Glorious in majesty to reign;
O let us swell the joyful strain. Hallelujah!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee
From death's dread sting thy servants free,
That we may live, and sing to thee. Hallelujah!

Words: Anon. (18th Century?)

Music: Henry G. Ley (b. 1887-1962)



*The flowers in the church today
are in loving memory of
Barbara Evans*

May she rest in peace and rise with Christ in glory.

Please Pray for:

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of Bangladesh.

Baptism Anniversaries: Charles Richard Alden, Charles William Ryan.

Those recently married: Catherine Crawford and Christiaan Roberts.

The sick – Immediate: Tony Papadopulos, Daniel Kasozi, Norma Boston, Katrina Monley, John Grace, Lisa Stapleton, John Wotton, Quentin Miller, Fr Lance Johnston, David Balderston, Elizabeth Bloomfield, Raphael Clark, Ann Ryan.

The sick - Long-term: Colleen Hodge, Fr Des Cox, Alan Melrose, Peter Harper, Colin Middleton, Walter Sutcliffe, David Cheetham, Chris Cheetham, Clare Corbould, Alison Sharpe, Robert Bevan, His Majesty The King, The Princess of Wales, Fr Max Wood, Kathryn James, Brian Hivon, Nicholle Nobel, Carole Harvey-Rudd, Anthea Gedge, Quincy Mugabi, Richard, Helen, Rachel, Julie Sheppard, Lynette Skeoch, The Rev'd Ivan Head, Kevin Stapleton, Liam, Geoffrey Whitehead, Faith Whitehead, Danielle Geddes, Enid and Brian, Cameron Kimber, Frances and Moreton Rolfe, Ali Crawford, Katie Richardson, Elliott, Steven Bell, Elizabeth Farry, Kathryn James, Anahera Chessum, The Rev'd Paul Cooper, Bernice Lee, Nick De Brett, Jivan Harito, James Ridley, Euan Black, Ann Bratt, Megan Nelson, Marian Pilone, Helen Ashley, Fiona Hawke, Sebastiana Ilardo, Bec.

In need: Nicholas Lee.

The recently departed: Richard Willgoss, Jean Matthews, Elaine Briers.

Those whose year's mind falls at this time: Shirley Llewellyn-Jones, Audrey Edmondson, Keith Crichton, Kelvin Lloyd Grose, Evelyn Elizabeth Mary Stewart-Randall, Cyril Walter Kerr, Roger Kelly, *priest*, John Scott, *priest*, Joseph Hamilton, Angela Woulfe, Colin Mirams, Maurice Maxwell Shepherd, Thelema Lorraine Wheeler, David Forgacs, Allan William Bosser, *priest*, Pat Trott, Bruce Sims, Rodney Albert Rohrsen Kidd, Stanley and Joan Sattin, Michael Hamar, Jeffrey Mark, Neville Alexander Whitfield, Josette Marie Blackwell, Rosemary Anne Bradford.

Please note that names of the sick will remain on the 'Immediate' list for one month only.

If there is a need for a name to remain longer, please ask for it to be placed on the 'Long Term' list. All requests must be made to Dianne Ward or Jonathan Elcock, the Office Administrators, at office@sjks.org.au or 8227 1300

Notices and upcoming events

Cantata Thanks

Thank you to everyone who attended and those who contributed to last Sunday's Bach Cantata. Our particular thanks to the musicians for their skill and dedication, and to the individual donor who, through the St James' Music Foundation, generously provided the financial support to make this service possible. Our next Bach Cantata will be at 4pm on Sunday 16th June.

Rector away

The Rector is away in Tasmania this weekend having conducted the wedding of Catherine Maree Crawford and Christiaan Barclay Stanton Roberts in Hobart yesterday. Fr Christopher previously conducted the wedding of Christiaan's brother Anton to Elli at St David's Cathedral in 2022 and we delight in the recent news that Anton and Elli recently celebrated the birth of their first child, Albert Noel Roberts. Please keep the extended and growing Roberts family in your prayers. The Roberts brothers both work for a law firm within the Parish of St James' on Macquarie Street.

Welcome Rev'd Nelson Bako - Anglican Board of Mission

ABM are hosting The Rev'd Nelson Bako in Sydney this week. Fr Nelson is the Mission Secretary for the Anglican Church of Melanesia, whose jurisdiction covers the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu and New Caledonia. Fr Nelson studied for a theology degree in the UK and for his Master in Theology and Ethics degree at Pacific Theological College in Fiji. From 2016 to 2019 he was the Head Brother of the Melanesian Brotherhood, a Religious Order founded in the Solomon Islands in 1925. They have households throughout the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, and Papua New Guinea, as well as a household in the Philippines and another in North Queensland. Fr John Deane will accompany Fr Nelson to St James' King Street to worship with us during his Sydney visit. Welcome Fr Nelson.

Ascension Day: 9th May

On the 40th day of Easter we celebrate The Feast of the Ascension. Services on Ascension Day are:

8:30am Morning Prayer (Zoom)

12:30pm Holy Eucharist

5:00pm Evening Prayer (Zoom)

6:30pm Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Rector

Notices and upcoming events

St James' Men's Group

An invitation is extended to all men in the parish to the next meeting of the Men's Group on Saturday, 11th May at the Cheetham's, 8/9, Frith Street, Normanhurst. Lunch will be served at Noon and is followed by a talk. We aim to finish at about 3pm. The speaker will be Gordon Cooper who will give an account of the pilgrimage from Le Puy in France to Santago de Compostella in Spain. Parking available in the street, and Normanhurst train station is a short walk away. If you plan to come by train please check to see if busses are replacing trains on that weekend. To assist with catering please contact Gordon Cooper: rgc@tsn.cc or 0428 287 619. To help defray the cost of the lunch we ask for a \$10 donation.

Commemorative Evensong

The Supreme Court of NSW will celebrate the bicentenary of its founding next month. We are delighted to be hosting a special Inter-Faith Commemorative Choral Evensong featuring the Choir of St James' on the eve of the anniversary on **Thursday 16th May at 6pm**. This is a significant occasion in the life of our city, state and nation, and everyone is warmly invited to attend.

Confirmations at Pentecost

Bishop Michael Stead will make his Episcopal visit to St James' King Street at Pentecost this year (Sunday 19th May) and Confirmation will be conferred at the 10am Choral Eucharist. Those wishing to be Confirmed should speak with a member of the clergy as soon as possible to begin a time of preparation. Services on Pentecost Sunday will be:

8:00am Holy Eucharist

10:00am Choral Eucharist

St James' Institute Thursday evening online Book Group.

This year's monthly Thursday evening online book group will be facilitated by Nicky Lock, beginning on 30th May. Our meeting dates are:

- Thursday 30th May
- Thursday 27th June
- *no July meeting*
- Thursday 22nd August
- Thursday 19th September

We will be reading Paula Gooder's book on Phoebe: a thoroughly researched book illuminating Phoebe and the world of the early church. New members are very welcome. Please email Nicky at familylock@bigpond.com for further details and to register.



**SURVIVE
THRIVE
FLOURISH**

St Laurence House invites you to our biggest fundraising event of the year...



You are invited to a special night of celebration and help us to reach our fundraising target of \$50,000 to create a better future for at risk and homeless young people.



We need your help so that we can support more young people to build independent lives through our unique fully supported medium term residential service and trauma informed care program.

Please join us - great food, great company, engaging speakers, exciting auctions, and raffles - all for a good cause - young people in need.

**Wednesday 5th June 2024,
6:30pm-10:30pm
The Grounds of Alexandria - Linseed House
7a/2 Huntley Street, Alexandria
Tickets - \$140 pp
(Available through the QR Code)
Car parking available on site**



We will be joined by our Keynote speaker, and a panel of Industry Experts to explore how to help homeless young people to ultimately flourish

Our Keynote Speaker:



Zoe was appointed by the Governor of NSW as Advocate for a 5 year term in January 2021. Voice is at the heart of her work where she seeks to raise the collective voices of children and young people to key decision makers to influence change and outcomes for the better. She prioritises the needs of the most vulnerable young members of our communities and uses their voice to instigate positive change for all children and young people.

Our Panel of Experts:



Laurie Matthews OAM, CEO, Caretakers Cottage

Laurie has been dedicated to working with disadvantaged young people for over 40 years, and is passionate about helping young people to grow and successfully engage with the community through education, employment and social connection. He has received a number of awards in recognition of his tireless work in the sector.



Rebekah Lucas, Clinical Lead, Headspace, Bondi Junction

Rebekah has been an accredited Mental Health Social Worker for the past 30 years, working with young people and their families who have experienced trauma. Rebekah has a deep understanding of the mental health issues young people face today, and the strategies that enable young people to grow and thrive.



Dr Terri Said, CEO and Principal WAYS Youth and Family

Terri is a Psychologist, Family Therapist, Manager and educator, specialising in Family and Adolescence for over 12 years. Terri and the team at WAYS Secondary provide innovative educational strategies without barriers to vulnerable young people. She is committed to assist students to face and overcome personal challenges and reach their full potential and achieve beyond their own expectations.

INTER-FAITH CHORAL EVENSONG

to commemorate the bicentenary of the
Supreme Court of New South Wales

All members of the legal profession, their families
and friends are cordially invited to attend

The Parish Church of
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Thursday, 16 May
2024 at 6pm (please
be seated by 5:45pm)



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The service will last approximately one hour

No registration required

Counsel are requested to robe (full bottom wigs for Senior Counsel)

2024 Sharwood Lecture in Church Law

Church Law & Anti-Discrimination Law: do these need to collide?

This lecture will canvass where there have been apparent collisions between anti-discrimination law and church law and practice (for example, on women and LGBTQI issues), whether there needs to be a collision, what the limits of anti-discrimination law are as it interacts with church law and affects churches and where our values may suggest that we support anti-discrimination law.

The sixth Robin Sharwood Lecture will be delivered by Ms Mandy Tibbey, barrister. Mandy Tibbey has practised at the New South Wales Bar since 2004 practising mainly in equity, commercial and administrative law. She serves as Chancellor of the Diocese of Riverina and is a member of the Church Law Commission of the Anglican Church of Australia.



Wednesday 22 May 2024

7.15pm | Evensong at 6.15pm

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This Week at St James' King Street

29th April - 5th May 2024

Monday 29th April

*Catherine of Sienna, spiritual teacher
(d.1380)*

8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
12:30pm Holy Eucharist
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Tuesday 30th April

8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
12:30pm Holy Eucharist
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Wednesday 1st May

**PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES
AND MARTYRS**

7:45am Meditation (via Zoom)
8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
12:30pm Holy Eucharist
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)
6:15pm Choral Evensong

Thursday 2nd May

*Athanasius, bishop of Alexandria, teacher
(d. 373)*

8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
12:30pm Holy Eucharist
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Friday 3rd May

8:30am Morning Prayer (via Zoom)
12:30pm Holy Eucharist
1:00pm Meditation
5:00pm Evening Prayer (via Zoom)

Saturday 4th May

Sunday 5th May

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Holy Eucharist
9:30am Sung Eucharist
11:00am Choral Eucharist
Preacher: Mr Alan Melrose
4:00pm Choral Evensong
Preacher: The Rev'd John Stewart

Parish of St. James' King Street

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Monday to Friday: 10:00am-4:00pm
Saturdays: 8:00am-1:00pm
Sundays: 7:00am-4:00pm
*Please submit all requests for notices by the Wednesday
preceding the service.*

Please consider paying your offering directly into the church account.

The details are: BSB 032 007, A/C 250025, Churchwardens St James' Gen. A/C.