



St. Paul's Anglican Church

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Parish News

On Palm Sunday we celebrated the wedding anniversary of Bp. George and Mary Parrish. Canon Walt Crites gave them the anniversary blessing.



Blessing of the Palms



The Parish Hall was alive with food for the Parrish's Anniversary celebration.



A big thank you to Billy for beautifying the planter in front of the church, to Ava and her helper(s) for beautifying the Church for Easter, and to all those that made our Easter meal a hit. The Parish Hall was full of people enjoying themselves and getting to know our visitors.

Bp. George delivering the Easter message.





Announcements

On April 3, 2025, the Anglican Archdiocese of North America (AANA) and the Anglican Archdiocese International (AAI) was formed. St. Paul's is the headquarters for the Archdiocese and our own Fr. George is now the Most Reverend George Parrish, Archbishop for the AANA and Metropolitan Archbishop for the AAI. The Most Reverend Steve Victory is Bishop Co-Adjutor for the AANA and the AAI. The Reverend Benjie Fuentes is Bishop-elect for the Missionary Diocese of the Philipines. The Reverend Canon Walt Crites is the Provincial Canon and Canon to the Ordinary Diocese of the West. We are a part of the Diocese of the West. Bishop Steve Victory is the Bishop of the East. Even just starting, we are 3 churches strong with 7 more showing interest to join. Congratulations and thank you to Bp. George for making this a reality.

May Birthdays

31 Mary Parrish

May Anniversaries

None

Special Prayers

Anglican Archdiocese of North America, Anglican Archdiocese International, Bishop-Elect Benjie Fuentes

Calendar

The following is the calendar for May, 2025.

Holy Communion is every Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Morning Prayer and Bible Study Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Lunch Club at the VFW Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m.

May

1 - St. Philip & St. James, Apostles

25 - Rogation Sunday

29 - Ascension Day - 3:00 p.m. Holy Communion

Special Services

St. Philip & St. James, Apostles -

In the Anglican tradition, St. Philip and St. James are celebrated together on May 1st, a feast day that honors their roles as apostles and their contributions to the early Church. This observance has deep historical roots, with references to their feast appearing as early as the 4th century in lectionaries like that of St. Jerome.

Philip is remembered for his evangelistic zeal, as seen in the Gospel of John, where he invites Nathanael to meet Jesus, declaring, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote" (John 1:45). James, often identified as "James the Less," is celebrated for his humility and leadership in the Jerusalem Church, as well as his emphasis on living out faith through actions, as reflected in the Epistle of James.

The Anglican Church continues to honor these apostles as foundational figures of the faith emphasizing their example of discipleship and their role in spreading the Gospel. (StBenedictAnglican.com, LivingFaithAnglican.org, St. JudesRec.org)

Rogation Sunday -

Rogation Sunday, observed in the Anglican tradition, is celebrated on the Sixth Sunday of Easter (the fifth Sunday after Easter Sunday). It marks the beginning of the Rogation Days, which are the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday leading up to Ascension Day. The term "Rogation" comes from the Latin word *rogare*, meaning "to ask," reflecting the prayers offered during this time for God's blessings on agriculture, industry, and the environment.

Historically, Rogation Sunday and the subsequent Rogation Days have included practices such as processions, the recitation of the Great Litany, and blessings of the fields. These traditions emphasize human dependence on God's providence and the importance of stewardship of the earth. (AnglicanCompass.com)

Ascension Day -

Ascension Day, celebrated in the Anglican tradition, occurs 40 days after Easter and commemorates Jesus Christ's ascension into heaven. This feast day is a significant part of the liturgical calendar, marking the completion of Jesus' earthly ministry and His exaltation at the right hand of God.

The event is described in the Gospels and the Book of Acts, where Jesus ascends to heaven in the presence of His disciples after blessing them. It signifies both the conclusion of His earthly work and the beginning of the Church's mission, empowered by the Holy Spirit. Ascension Day is often observed with special services, hymns, and prayers that reflect on its theological importance. (AnglicanCompass.com, Anglicanway.org)

The Book of Common Prayer

Morning Prayer

Anglican Morning Prayer is a structured form of worship that begins the day with praise, confession, Scripture reading, and prayer. It is part of the Daily Office, which includes Morning Prayer, Midday Prayer, Evening Prayer, and Compline. Morning Prayer typically consists of three main parts:

1. **Preparation:** This includes a confession of sins and responses to prepare the heart for worship.
2. **Proclamation:** Features readings from Psalms, Scripture, and Canticles (songs based on Scripture).
3. **Prayers:** Includes the Lord's Prayer, written prayers from church history, and personal prayers.

Morning Prayer can be said individually or in a group, and it is often led by an officiant. It is a way to dedicate the day to God and seek His guidance and blessings. (AnglicanCompass.com)

It serves as a way to dedicate the day to God and seek His guidance. Historically, it was a central part of Anglican worship and remains significant in many Anglican communities today. (AnglicanTheologicalReview.org)

Joke of the Month

Best Church Bulletin Bloopers

- Due to the Rector's illness, Wednesday's healing services will be discontinued until further notice.
- Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Methodist. Come hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.
- The pastor will preach his farewell message, after which the choir will sing, "Break Forth Into Joy."
- Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Nelson's sermons.
- Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person(s) you want remembered.
- The sermon this morning: Jesus Walks on the Water. The sermon tonight: Searching for Jesus.

The Book of Common Prayer has a wonderful lectionary for reading the Bible, both Old and New Testaments. The following are the readings for the month of April 2025.

Book of Common Prayer Readings

Thu May 1	Ex 15:20	Heb 3	Isa 42:1-9	I Peter 2:11-17
Fri May 2	Ex 16:1-7, 13b-15			
		Heb 4:1-13	Isa 42:10-17	I Peter 2:18
Sat May 3	Ex 17:1-7	Heb 4:14 -5:14	Isa 43:1-7	I Peter 3:1-12

Second Sunday after Easter May 4

<1>	Isa 40:1-11	John 10:1-10	Ezek 34:11-16, 30-31	John 21:1-19
<2>	Baruch 4:21-30	Phil 3:7-16	II Esdras 8:20-30, 46, 51-54	I Cor 15:12-23

Mon May 5	Ex 17:8	Heb 6:1-12	Isa 43:8-13	I Peter 3:13
Tue May 6	Ex 18:1-12	Heb 6:13	Isa 43:15-21, 44:1-3	I Peter 4:1-6
Wed May 7	Ex 18:13	Heb 7:1-11	Isa 44:6-8, 21-23	I Peter 4:7-11
Thu May 8	Ex 19:1-7, 16-20	Heb 7:12	Isa 44:9-20	I Peter 4:12
Fri May 9	Ex 20:1-21	Heb 8	Isa 44:24 - 45:4	I Peter 5:1-7
Sat May 10	Ex 24:1-11, 16-18	Heb 9:1-14	Isa 45:5-12, 15-19	I Peter 5:8

Third Sunday after Easter May 11

<1>	II Sam 12:15b - 23	John 14:1-14	Isa 26:12-16, 19	II Cor 5
<2>	I Sam 2:1b - 10	Acts 2:22-36	Wis 5:1-6, 14-16	Luke 20:27-39

Mon May 12	Ex 25:1-11, 17-22	Heb 9:15	Isa 45:20	Eph 1:1-14
Tue May 13	Ex 28:1-4, 29-38	Heb 10:1-14	Isa 46:3-4, 9-13	Eph 1:15
Wed May 14	Ex 32:1-7, 15-20	Heb 10:15-25	Isa 48:12-21	Eph 2:1-10
Thu May 15	Ex 32:21-24, 30-34	Heb 10:26	Isa 49:1-12	Eph 2:11

Fri May 16	Ex 33:7	Heb 11:1-16	Isa 49:13-23	Eph 3:1-12
Sat May 17	Ex 34:1-10, 29-35	Heb 11:17-31	Isa 50:4-10	Eph 3:13

Fourth Sunday after Easter May 18

	<1> Job 19:21-27a			
		John 12:44		Dan 12:1-4, 13 I Thess 4:13
	<2> Ezek 37:1-14			
		Acts 3:1-21	Isa 60:13	John 8:12-30
Mon May 19	Num 10:29	Heb 11:32	Isa 51:1-11	Eph 4:1-16
Tue May 20	Num 11:4-6, 10-15, 23, 31-32	Heb 12:1-17	Isa 51:12-16	Eph 4:17
Wed May 21	Num 12	Heb 12:18	Isa 52:1-2, 7-12	Eph 5:1-14
Thu May 22	Num 13:17-26, 30-33	Heb 13:1-8	Isa 54:1-10	Eph 5:15
Fri May 23	Num 14:1-10	Heb 13:9-16	Isa 54:11	Eph 6:1-9
Sat May 24	Num 14:11-25	Heb 13:17	Isa 55	Eph 6:10

Rogation Sunday May 25

	<1> Ezek 34:25			
		Luke 11:1-13	Isa 48:12-21	Rev 5
	<2> II Esdras 14:27-35			
		Acts 4:1-13, 33	Ezek 36:25	Mark 11:22-26
Mon May 26	Deut 8:1-11, 17-20	Matt 6:5-15	Deut 28:1-14	James 1:1-7
Tue May 27	Deut 11:10-17	Matt 6:24	I Kings 8:22-30	James 4:8
Wed May 28	Jer 14:1-9	I John 5:5-15	Three Chil 29-37	Luke 24:44
Ascension Thu May 29	Dan 7:9-10, 13-14		Isa 33:5-6. 17, 20-22	Heb 4:14 - 5:10
		Eph 4:1-16	Isa 12	Acts 1:12
Fri May 30	Micah 4:1-7	Rom 8:31		
Sat May 31	Gen 49:1-2, 8-10	II Thess 2:13	Jer 23:5-8	Acts 2:1-21

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