

**THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT:  
HOLY EUCHARIST**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2019**

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*(Please join in the congregational parts of the service, which are shown in **bold print**.)*

**Ministering in the service today ... Celebrant:** The Rev. Canon Steven Mackison; **Preacher:** The Rev. Deborah Noonan; **Ministrant:** Jane Wigglesworth, David Wigglesworth; **Server:** Patrick Burrowes; **Torches:** Hernan Torres, Pascal Brandt-Gagnon; **Readers:** Nicole Biron, Hilliard Goldfarb, The Rev. Dr. Holly Ratcliffe; **Intercessor:** Sylvia White; **Greeters:** Tom Davidson, Tom Burpee, Daphne Morris; **Altar Guild:** Ian Scott; **Children's Ministry Coordinator:** Elodie Lambert; **Music Director:** Jean-Sébastien Allaire; **Organist:** Philip Crozier.

**Prelude:** Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit (BWV 669) - *J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

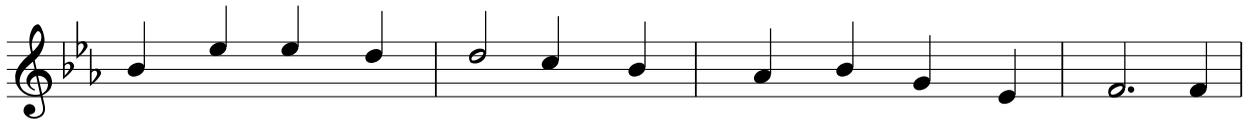
**Children's Focus** - *The children are invited to come forward.*

Processional Hymn: #434 – “THE LOVE OF JESUS CALLS US”

*Please stand & sing*



1. The love of Je-sus calls us our joy - ous praise to sing; our  
2. The love of Je-sus calls us, that we may al - ways be com-  
3. The love of Je-sus calls us to go where he would go, to  
4. The love of Je-sus calls us in swift - ly chang - ing days, to



deep - ly felt thanks - giv - ings we now to - geth - er bring, for  
- pan - ions on a jour - ney, where all the world may see that  
chal - lenge all that lim - its, to change, to learn, to grow, to  
be God's co - cre - a - tors in new and won - drous ways; that



all God's ma - ny bless - ings, un - asked yet still re - ceived, and  
ser - ving Christ is free - dom which time does not des - troy; where  
know that Christ has freed us, that pris - ons are no more; for  
God with men and wo - men may so trans - form the earth, that



for the gen - er - a - tions who faith - ful - ly be - lieved.  
Christ's com - mand is du - ty, and ev - ery du - ty joy.  
those who seek his king - dom, Christ o - pens ev - ery door.  
love and peace and jus - tice may give God's king - dom birth.

TEXT: Herbert  
O'Driscoll (1928- ). ©  
MUSIC: Aurelia;  
Samuel Sebastian  
Wesley (1810-1876).

## ✠ The Penitential Rite

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Priest:* Let us pray. Almighty God,

*All:* **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Priest:* Blessed be God who forgives all our sins;

*People:* **whose mercy endures forever.**

*Priest:* Dear friends in Christ as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Please kneel or be seated*

**The Kyrie** - *Missa Seraphica*

*Sung by the Choir*

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

## Confession and Absolution

*Priest:* We have been wounded.

*People:* **O God, heal us.**

*Priest:* We stumble in the darkness.

*People:* **Light of the world, transfigure us.**

*Priest:* We forget that we are your home.

*People:* **Spirit of God, dwell in us.**

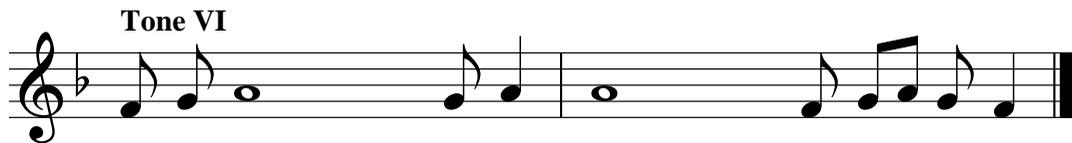
*Priest:* Eternal Spirit,

*People:* **living God, in whom we live and move and have our being, all that we are, have been, and shall be is known to you. In the very secret of our hearts you know all that rises to trouble us. Living flame, burn into us. Cleansing wind, blow through us. Fountain of water, well up within us; that we may love and praise in deed and in truth. Amen.**

*Priest:* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People:* **Amen.**





*Cantor:* 3. While I held **my** tongue :  
my bones withered away, because of my groan-**ing** all day long.

*People:* 4. **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night :  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of sum-mer.**

*Cantor:* 5. Then I acknowledged my sin to you :  
and did **not** cön-ceal my<sup>^</sup>guilt.

*People:* 6. **I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." :  
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**

*Cantor:* 7. Therefore all people will make their prayers to you in time of **trou-ble** :  
when the great waters overflow, they **shall** nöt reach them.

*People:* 8. **You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trou-ble :  
you surround me with shouts of dë-liv-er<sup>^</sup>ance.**

## New Testament Reading

*Please be seated*

*Reader:* A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

2 Corinthians 5.16-21

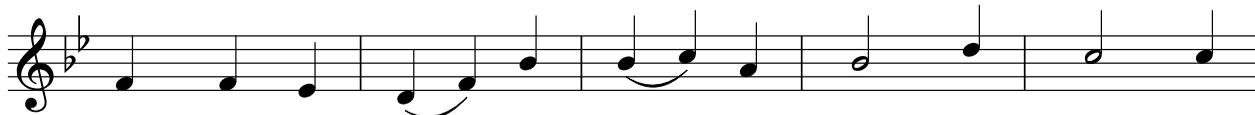
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*A moment of silence is observed*

Sequence Hymn: #474 – “JESUS, WHERE’ER THY PEOPLE MEET”

*Please stand & sing*

*The first two verses are sung before the Gospel, the remaining verses, after*



1. Je - sus, wher - e'er thy peo - ple meet, there they be-  
 2. For thou, with - in no walls con - fined, in - hab - it-  
 3. Here may we prove the power of prayer to strength - en  
 4. Lord, we are few, but thou art near; nor short thine



- hold thy mer - cy seat; wher - e'er they seek thee,  
 - est the hum - ble mind; such ev - er bring thee  
 faith and sweet - en care, to teach our faint de-  
 arm, nor deaf thine ear; O rend the heavens, come



thou art found, and e - very place is hal - lowed ground.  
 where they come, and go - ing, take thee to their home.  
 - sires to rise, and bring all heaven be - fore our eyes.  
 quick - ly down, and make a thou - sand hearts thine own!

TEXT: William Cowper (1731-1800). MUSIC: Warrington; Ralph Harrison (1748-1810).

The Gospel

*Priest:* The Lord be with you. ***People:* And also with you.**

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People:* 

Glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So he told them this parable: “There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself

with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe - the best one - and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him! Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

*Priest:* The Gospel of Christ.

Luke 15.1-3,11b-32

*All:* 

Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

**Sermon:** The Rev. Deborah Noonan

*Please be seated*

*A moment of silence is observed.*

## **The Apostles' Creed**

*Priest:* Let us confess our faith as we say

*Please stand*

*All:* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand**

of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## The Prayers & Lenten Prose

*Please kneel or be seated*

*The Leader offers prayers for the church, the world, the sick and the suffering, and those who have died.*

*The Cantor sings the refrain, then all join in singing:*



Hear us, O Lord, have mer-cy up-on us: for we have sin-ned a - gainst thee.

*Cantor:* To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory, lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings; listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

*All sing the refrain*

*Cantor:* O thou chief corner-stone, Right Hand of the Father, Way of salvation, Gate of life celestial; cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

*All sing the refrain*

*Cantor:* God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated, bow down and hearken to thy weeping children; pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

*All sing the refrain*

*Cantor:* Sins oft committed now we lay before thee; with true contrition, now no more we veil them; grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

*All sing the refrain*

*Cantor:* Innocent captive, taken unresisting, falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced; save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer.

*All sing the refrain*

## The Peace

*Please stand*

*Priest:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

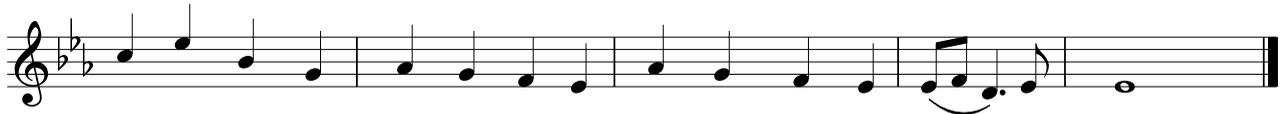
*Ministrant:* I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him:  
Father I have sinned against heaven and before you. (Luke 15.18)

## Offertory Hymn: #500 – “SISTER, LET ME BE YOUR SERVANT”

*Please stand & sing*



1. Sis - ter, let me be your ser - vant, let me be as Christ to you;
2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, fel - low trav - ellers on the road;
3. I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time of your fear;
4. I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
5. When we sing to God in heav - en, we shall find such har - mo - ny,
6. Broth - er, let me be your ser - vant, let me be as Christ to you;



pray that I may have the grace to let you be my ser - vant too.  
we are here to help each oth - er walk the mile and bear the load.  
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.  
I will share your joy and sor - row till we've seen this jour - ney through.  
born of all we've known to - geth - er of Christ's love and a - go - ny.  
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my ser - vant too.

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## Offertory Sentence

*All sing*



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be -



- low; praise him a - bove, ye heav - en - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

TEXT: Thomas Ken (1637-1710). MUSIC: Old 100th; Melody Geneva, 1551.

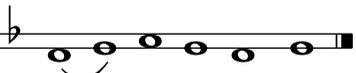
## ✠ The Celebration of the Eucharist

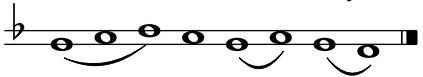
### The Prayer Over the Gifts

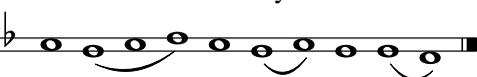
*Priest:* God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love. Accept all we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

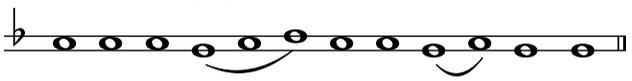
*All:* **Amen.**

*Priest:*   
The Lord be with you.

*People:*   
And al - so with you.

*Priest:*   
Lift up your hearts.

*People:*   
We lift them to the Lord.

*Priest:*   
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:*   
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Priest:* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because you bid your faithful people to cleanse their hearts and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer and more generous in the works of love. Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

### Sanctus - *Missa Seraphica*

*Sung by the Choir*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*Please kneel or be seated*

*Priest:* We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to be in your presence. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command.

**All:** we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

**Priest:** Father, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and this cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, with St. George, and all the saints who have found favour with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

**All:** Amen.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Priest:** Gathering all our praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us.

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Notre Père, qui es aux cieux, que ton Nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne. Que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses, comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. Et ne nous soumetts pas à la tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal. Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, dans les siècles des siècles. Amen.**

**Priest:** We break this bread,

**All:** Communion in Christ's body once broken.

**Priest:** Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

**All:** If we have died with him, we shall live with him;  
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.

**Priest:** The gifts of God for the People of God.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world. Have mercy upon us. (bis)

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world. Grant us thy peace.

## The Communion

*All Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Tous les chrétiens sont invités à communier.*

### Communion Hymn: #179 – “TREE OF LIFE AND AWESOME MYSTERY”

*All sing*



1. Tree of Life and awe-some mys-tery, in your death we are re-  
 2. Seed that dies to rise in glo - ry, may we see our-selves in  
 3. We re - mem - ber truth once spo-ken, love passed on through act and  
 4. Gen - tle Je - sus, might - y Spi - rit, come in - flame our hearts a-  
 5. Christ, you lead and we shall fol-low, stum-bling though our steps may  
 6. Give us eyes to see you clear-ly; make us chil - dren of your



- born; though you die in all of his - tory, still you  
 you; if we learn to live your sto - ry, we may  
 word; ev - ery per - son lost and bro - ken wears the  
 - new. We may all your joy in - her - it if we  
 be; one with you in joy and sor - row, we the  
 light. Give us hearts to live more near - ly as your



rise with ev - ery morn, still you rise with ev - ery morn.  
 die to rise a - new, we may die to rise a - new.  
 bo - dy of our Lord, wears the bo - dy of our Lord.  
 bear the cross with you, if we bear the cross with you.  
 riv - er, you the sea, we the riv - er, you the sea.  
 gos - pel shin - ing bright, as your gos - pel shin - ing bright.

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### Anthem: “O MOST MERCIFUL!” - Ernest Bullock (1890-1979)

O most merciful! O most bountiful! God, the Father Almighty! By the Redeemer’s sweet intercession, hear us, help us when we cry. (Reginald Heber 1783-1826).

## Prayer after Communion

*Please stand*

*Priest:* All your works praise you, O Lord.

*All:* **And your faithful servants bless you. Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Blessing & Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #451 – “KING OF LOVE, O CHRIST”

*Please stand & sing*



1. King of love, O Christ, we crown you Lord of thought and Lord of will,  
2. King of life, you have cre - a - ted wheat in gold - en har - vest spread:  
3. King of mer - cy, you have saved us from the haunt - ing sense of loss,  
4. King tri - umphant, King vic - to - rious, take your throne our hearts with - in,



each de - mand of your high chal - lenge ded - i - ca - ted to ful - fil;  
make your ser - vants strong to serve you by the gift of dai - ly bread.  
nail - ing in your vast com - pas - sion sin's in - dict - ment to the cross.  
lest the might of fierce temp - ta - tion snare us in - to dead - ly sin.



we with you by grace co - work - ers, till, where hu - man foot has trod,  
Feed us with your bod - y bro - ken, with your blood out - poured sus - tain,  
Those who love, by your sore ang - uish, from the past you cleanse and free,  
By the Spir - it's rich a - noint - ing, grant us strength life's race to run,



peo - ples, kings, do - min - ions, rac - es, own the em - pire of our God.  
that our souls di - vine - ly strength - ened may the life e - ter - nal gain.  
breath - ing words of ab - so - lu - tion throned and reign - ing from the tree.  
till the power of sin be van - quished, till the prize of God be won.

**Dismissal** - *The “Alleluia” is omitted during the season of Lent.*

*Priest:* Go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*Choir:* Amen.

**Postlude:** Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist (BWV 671) - *J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

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We welcome all visitors and newcomers to our services today. If you are a visitor, we invite you to make yourself known to one of our Greeters or Clergy.

Nous souhaitons la bienvenue aux visiteurs et aux nouveaux venus à nos services d'aujourd'hui et nous vous invitons à vous faire connaître auprès d'une des personnes à l'accueil ou auprès d'un membre du clergé.

## **TODAY**

**Following the 10:30 a.m. service ...** We invite everyone to join us for refreshments

## **THIS WEEK**

<b>Monday - Saturday</b>	11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Community Lunch
<b>Wednesday</b>	12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Holy Communion (Chancel)
	1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Bible Study (Boardroom)
<b>Thursday</b>	11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Boutique St. Georges (Lower Hall)
	5:30 p.m.	Choir Practice

## **NEXT SUNDAY – APRIL 7, 2019**

### **THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

Isaiah 43.16-21 / Philippians 3.4b-14 / John 12.1-8

**9:00 a.m.**            **Holy Communion** (Chapel)

*Preacher:* Ms. Susan Searle

**10:30 a.m.**           **Sung Eucharist**

*Preacher:* Ms. Susan Searle

## NOTICES

**CELEBRATION SUNDAY** – If it is your birthday during the month of **APRIL**, or you are celebrating a significant life event, please let the office know. We will have cake or goodies to mark the occasion and read the names of those who are celebrating **that month**.

**Your next step?** We will be offering a **confirmation course** this spring. This is a good place for adults who have never been baptised or confirmed to explore what this might mean for you. This will also be an opportunity for those who are new to the church or who want to make a deeper commitment to learn more about the Anglican church and what it means to be a Christian. Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson will be visiting on Pentecost, Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup> to do confirmations, receive new people into the Anglican Church and pray for those who wish to reaffirm their Baptism vows. The dates of the course are: April 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26 and June 2. We will be using the book *Being Christian* by Rowan Williams. You can purchase the book on line or you can contact the church office to order a copy for you. The cost is approx. \$15.00. Please contact the parish office or Rev. Debbie (formation@st-georges.org) if you want more information on any of these opportunities.

## PRAYER RESOURCES IN LENT

**DAILY PRAYER IN LENT**- Parishioners are welcome to join in keeping the Lenten discipline of daily prayer by praying the Offices at home. Booklets for Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, and Compline (see explanation below) are all available on the resource table. We encourage you to make one or more of these a daily devotion during the season of Lent.

**COMPLINE** - Members of the parish are invited to undertake the recitation of Compline as a sign of this awareness. Compline is the church's service of 'Night Prayer', meant to be said just before retiring. It takes about 5-10 minutes, and is a way of putting the day away, and commending oneself into the refreshing care of God through the night. For those willing to covenant to undertake this practice for the 40 days of Lent, copies are available on the resource table.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**St. George's Spring Fling Dinner and Dance – April 27<sup>th</sup>**. Mark that date in your calendar! The evening starts with cocktails at 6:00 p.m. Dinner is served at 6:45. There is a choice of meals for the dinner. The entertainment for the evening starts at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$70 and are going quickly. Reserve yours today. For more information, please contact Sylvia White at Sylvia.white2011@gmail.com.



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and more generous  
in works of love.