

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

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"Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the dessert, to give drink to my chosen people, The People I formed for myself, that they might declare my praise." (Isaiah 43:19, 20b, 21)

Bishop Anne's Motto for 2019

Holy Eucharist:	Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 am
Morning Prayer:	Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 am
Evening Prayer:	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Sunday 8:00 pm
Messy Church:	1st Wednesday of the month at 4:30 pm

Welcome to our worship!

It is good to have you here with us today. If you are visiting the Church of the Ascension for the first time, please know that the Anglican Church teaches that all who are baptized with water in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are welcome to receive the sacrament at the time of communion.

Parish Directory

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What's happening this week...

Mar.31, 2019	7:00pm	Youth Group
	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
April 01, 2019	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
April02, 2019	2:00pm	Westmount Eucharist
April 03, 2019	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	9:30am	Holy Eucharist and Bible Study
	7:30pm	Stations of the Cross
	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
April 04, 2019	7:00pm	Movie Night – Indian Horse
April 05, 2019	9:00am	Morning Prayer

Weekly Giving`s Target – March 24th 2019 - Weekly Target - \$2200.00 Weekly Offering – \$1568.00 - Difference - \$632.00

4th Sunday in Lent
9 & 11am Holy Eucharist

Processional # 500 Collect of the day BCP 147 First Lesson Joshua 5:9-12 Psalm 32 Second Lesson 2 Corinthians 5:16 -21 Gradual # 434 Holy Gospel Luke 15:1-3,11-32 Offertory # 615 Prayer over the Gifts BCP 73 Communion # 76 Prayer after Communion BCP 85 Recessional # 399

In our prayers...

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean The Most Revd James Richard Wong Yin Song - Archbishop, Province of Indian Ocean & Bishop of the Seychelles

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray our Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, for our Metropolitan and Diocesan, Archbishop Anne Germond; for our Archdeacon, Glen, and for our parish clergy Fr. Aidan, Fr. Jeff and Bishop Andrews.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for St. Brice's, North Bay- The Rev. Dr. Peter Armstrong, The Rev. John Stennett (Hon.), The Ven. Marie Loewen (Hon.)

We pray for the following people for God's continued healing and strength during the coming week, especially Richard, George, Inge, Priscilla Allurut, Canon Michael & Muriel Hankinson, Brandon, Heather Kennedy, Daryl Keen, Donna, and Carol, Viren, Lil Bowman, Julie, Karrie, Joyce, George, Spruce, Tamara, Peter, Eddy, Lucette, Caleb, Nancy, Marshall McCulloch, Gordie Barnes, Bain Peever, Kay, Michael, Cathy, David, Mags, Dave Fowler, Annette and Barbara Jackson.

We pray for those who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes, or who find it difficult to join us for church on Sundays; Milt Fleming, Velma Tansley, Karin Hoffman, Laurent Constantineau, Bessie Morgan and Sybil Crawford. May they always feel God's presence in their lives.

In our parish we pray for our wardens and leaders and in our parish family, we pray for Peter&

Collect

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

First Reading

A reading from Joshua (Joshua 5:9-12)

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Psalm 32 BCP 366 – Refrain: You surround me with shouts of deliverance, O Lord.

Second Reading

A reading from 2nd Corinthians (2 Cor. 5:16-21)

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.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (Luke 15:1-3,11-32)

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.'''