

This Week in the Parish

Morning and Evening Prayer is prayed and live-streamed
in St. George's Chapel (Monday to Friday), 8:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Today	12:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (St. George`s)
Monday	6:30 p.m. Beavers (St. George`s) 7:00 p.m. Prayer for ALPHA (St. James) 7:30 p.m. Scouts (St. George`s)
Tuesday	10:00 a.m. Discipleship Group at Whitmore`s (Lenten Book Study) 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Spencer Home) 7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting, St. Andrew`s
Wednesday	10:30 a.m. The Holy Week Gospels (St. George`s) 1:30 p.m. The Holy Week Gospels (St. James) 6:30 p.m. Cubs (St. George`s) 8:00 p.m. The Order for Compline (St. George`s)
Thursday	10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (St. George`s) 11:30 a.m. Gospel-based Discipleship (ZOOM)
Friday	6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (St. Philip`s)
Saturday	9:00 a.m. ALPHA Training (St. George`s)

Daily Bible Readings

A modified schedule from the Prayer Book's Table of Lessons

Sunday	Genesis 43	2 Timothy 1
Monday	Genesis 44	2 Timothy 2
Tuesday	Genesis 45:1-15	2 Timothy 3
Wednesday	Genesis 45:6-46-7	2 Timothy 4
Thursday	Genesis 46:26-47:12	John 1:128
Friday	Genesis 47:13-End	John 1:9-End
Saturday	Genesis 48	John 2

**Let us remember before God the faithful departed.
Ronald Bateman**

The Parish of the Six Saints

Jesus Christ the Same, Yesterday, Today and Forever

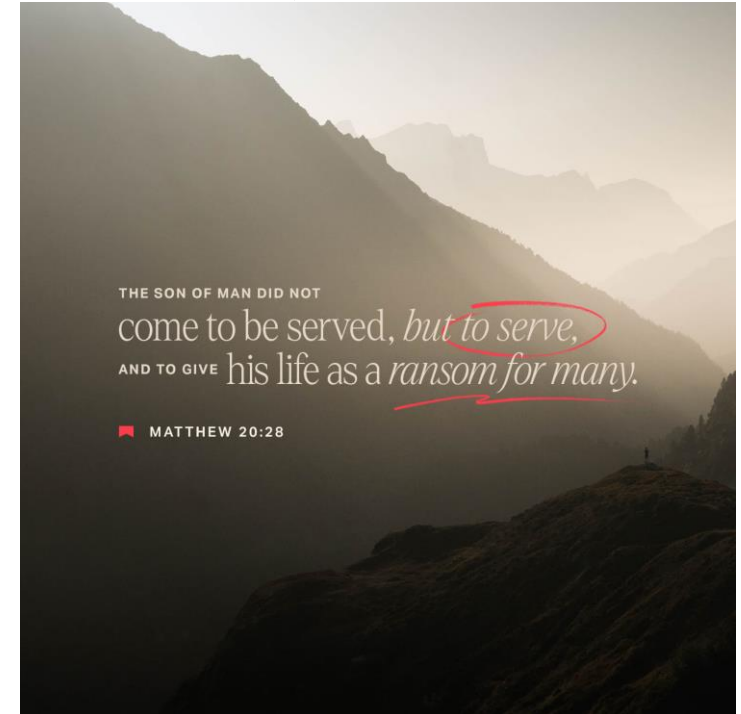
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The Fifth Sunday in Lent Passion Sunday April 6th, 2025



Parish Prayer Chain: To pass a message on to the Parish Prayer Chain, from Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. please call the Office, 506-855-5209 or email office@stgeorgesmoncton.ca.

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THE COLLECTS:

We beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people; that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our lord. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all of them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Introit (sung):

*Give sentence with me, O God, and defend the cause of my soul against the ungodly people: **deliver me, and rid me from the deceitful and wicked man; for thou, O Lord, art my God, and my strong salvation. Send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me: and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling. Give sentence with me.***

Today's Readings (Fifth Sunday in Lent – Passion Sunday)

Psalms 77

The Lesson: Isaiah 1:10-20

The Gradual Psalm: 143:1-10

The Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-15

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 20:20-28

Next Sunday's Readings (Palm Sunday)

Psalms 23 and 24

The Lesson: Isaiah 49:1-9

The Gradual Psalm: 22:12-21

The Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 27:1-54 / Matthew 21:1-11

Today, **Elton McLaughlin** will be baptized at St. George's. Please pray for him, his parents and Godparents.

St. George's Willing Workers' Spring Tea: April 26th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. sandwiches, sweets, tea, coffee and prizes! \$15.00/person.

Coming Up in Six Saints...

Thanks to everyone who brought food for last week's pot-luck; and, to those who attended the Parish Annual Meeting. Thanks to Mike Briggs and Peter Jubb for their service as Parish Wardens; and to Chris Mutch and Natalie Leighton for their service on the Vestry. Welcome to Loanna Whitmore, Noel Eustace, our new Parish Wardens; and to Thomas Hughes and Karen MacLean for joining the Vestry.

Come pray for Six Saints' ALPHA: Tomorrow, Monday, April 7th at 7:00 p.m. at St. James. A training session for ALPHA volunteers is scheduled for Saturday, April 12th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at St. George's.

Vestry Meeting St. Philip's: Tuesday, April 8th, at 7:00 p.m.

'Down Memory Lane': following next Sunday's Service (April 13th) at St. Philip's -- sharing memories from the 2000 to the present day. Please pray for the Congregation as they prepare for their last Service on April 27th.



ALPHA is scheduled to begin in our parish on Easter Monday evening (April 21st) at 6:30 p.m. For the first three weeks, we will meet at St. Andrew's Church (105 Elmwood Drive).

Each session begins with a meal; then we **watch a video** which presents teaching on the Christian Faith, including these titles:

Jesus is...? What does real love look like? Why would I want a relationship with God? Who is the Holy Spirit? How does God help us overcome evil? Does God heal today?

A Maundy Thursday All Night Vigil will be held in St. George's Chapel from 9:00 p.m. on April 17th until 7:00 a.m. on April 18th. If you are interested in spending an hour in quiet vigil, please contact the Parish Office (506-855-5209) or sign your name on the sheet in St. George's Main Entry.

The Good Friday Way of the Cross is set to leave from Moncton City Hall at 9:15 a.m. on Good Friday and arrive at St. George's in time for the 10:00 a.m. Service. Everyone is welcome.

The Rector's Corner

Last week we read how the Lord miraculously fed the 5000 with five barley loaves and two small fishes. The people were hungry, empty and unable to satisfy themselves. Even in such a large number, there was no one with the resources to do what was needed – except Jesus.

We should see ourselves as a member of that crowd. In a certain way, the 5000 represent our humanity. If we are honest with ourselves, we will admit that we, too, are unable to satisfy ourselves. We have a hunger, a restlessness – some would call it an emptiness – that cannot be satisfied by a full belly, a new car, or a healthy bank account. We try to fill the void. We go to extreme lengths to find satisfaction, meaning and purpose. But without Christ we will never be content. Money, health, education, travel, a successful career, a good family life are wonderful, but we cannot know real peace without putting out trust in Jesus, the Son of God, as our Lord and Saviour.

That is the point of this morning's Epistle. St. Paul addresses our soul's need. A differentiation is made between our bodies and our consciences: *"If the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling those who are unclean, sanctifies to the purifying of the flesh; how much more shall the blood of Christ...purify your conscience from dead works?"* The difference is between a physical, ceremonial cleansing, and a complete, spiritual redemption.

Within the Jewish religion there was a system of sacrifices and rituals. If they transgressed the law, there was a prescribed action to reconcile them with God and their neighbour. This system was given to Israel by God, and it pointed towards the "true" means of our redemption, which is Christ. Unlike animal sacrifices, which must be repeated, and which cannot change man on the inside, the Sacrifice of Jesus Christ is the only permanent, and completely effective solution to sin.

HOLY WEEK 2025 with the Six Saints

MONDAY (April 14th)

Monday 10:00 a.m. St. Philip's (Holy Eucharist)*

TUESDAY (April 15th)

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. St. Mary's (Holy Eucharist)*

WEDNESDAY (April 16th)

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. St. Andrew's (Holy Eucharist)*

THURSDAY (April 17th)

Thursday 10:00 a.m. St. Georges (Holy Eucharist)

Thursday 6:00 p.m. St. James (Supper with Holy Eucharist)*

Thursday 8:30 p.m. St. George's (Compline)*

Thursday 9:00 p.m. All Night Vigil begins

GOOD FRIDAY (April 18th)

9:15 a.m. St. George's (Way of the Cross)
(Leave from City Hall at 9:15 a.m.)

10:00 a.m. St. George's (Good Friday Liturgy)
(Children's Talk and Craft with Hot Cross Buns)

11:00 a.m. St. Mary's (Good Friday Liturgy)

3:00 p.m. Rose Hall, People's Park Tower (Evening Prayer)

5:00 p.m. St. George's (Evening Prayer)

HOLY SATURDAY (April 19th)

10:00 a.m. St. George's (Morning Prayer)

5:00 p.m. St. George's (Evening Prayer)

8:00 p.m. St. Philip's (Easter Vigil)

*At these Services, the Passion Gospel will be read, and the Altar will be stripped.