

# THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

*The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent*

*March 17, 2019*

We, the people of God, celebrate Christ in the heart of Victoria through joyful worship,  
building inclusive community, and putting faith into action.

St. John's acknowledges these ancestral territories of the Lekwungen people.

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**Welcome to the Parish Church of St. John the Divine**, Victoria. We are a community of faith in the Anglican Tradition, seeking to live lives of faith, hope and love as part of this community of Downtown Victoria. We are on a journey of learning to be a welcoming, inviting, inclusive and serving community which is open to all.

Our worship reflects our rootedness in the Anglican tradition, whilst drawing on liturgies that reflect the long history and heritage of our Christian faith. Please join in as you feel able, and enjoy the words, music and opportunity for prayer and to be a part of our community.

If our service seems unfamiliar, please follow the cues from our leaflet, the ministers leading the service and those around you. Most of our Sunday morning worship services have the Eucharist, or Holy Communion, at the heart of our worship – please feel free to join us, whatever your tradition, in the sharing of bread and wine. Gluten free wafers are available: Please indicate if you need one.

Within the Anglican Church of Canada (under the advice of the Primate and the Chief Medical Officer for Canada) we would ask that bread is not dipped into the wine, as this has the potential to spread infection in a way that the sharing of the cup does not. If you would prefer not to share the cup then receiving only bread is considered 'full communion' (also known as 'Communion in One Kind').

If there is anything that you wish to talk about, please do take the opportunity to talk to the worship leaders, ministers and other members of the congregation following the service. If you wish to receive prayer for yourself or for another, there will be members of our Healing Prayer group in the south Quadra entrance who would be happy to pray with you as the Holy Communion is shared.

After our service we usually share coffee and an opportunity to get to know one another, in the Church Hall – through the door on the front left hand side. We have many visitors and newcomers here so please make yourself known to folks as you feel comfortable.

You are very welcome here. We don't always get it right; please let us know when we do, and when we don't. Please stay and be a part of our family, for however long you would like..

## **8:00 am Holy Communion**

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*The order of service is found at page 67 in the Book of Common Prayer*

Presider: The Venerable Alastair McCollum

# 10:00 am Parish Eucharist

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*The congregation is invited to join in the hymns, responses and prayers marked in bold print.*

**Presider:** The Venerable Alastair McCollum

**Verger:** David Pupak

**Deacon:** The Reverend Patrick Sibley

**Audio:** Walter Hundleby

**Sermon:** Grant Croswell

**Music:** The Choristers of St. John the Divine,

**Readers:** Al Lehmann, John Bergbusch

The Sutton Organ Scholar,

**Intercessor:** Kit Pearson

The MacRae Choral Scholars

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## **THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

*The children are invited to gather at the back of the church and join in the procession.*

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **INTROIT**

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servants in thy displeasure; for we confess our sins unto thee, and hide not our unrighteousness. For thy mercy's sake deliver us from all our sins.

Text: Psalm 27, v. 10. Music: Richard Farrant (d. 1581)

#### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** (NEH 148)

LEONI

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Christ the great reconciler calls us to be reconciled to God, one another, and within ourselves.

Let us open ourselves to God's calling to healing and wholeness and acknowledge our brokenness and longing.

*Silence is kept.*

#### **KYRIE ELEISON**

*During Lent, the Gloria is replaced with the Kyrie Eleison.*

#### **ABSOLUTION**

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.

**All: Amen.**

## CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER

*After the prayer the children continue their worship in the Parish House.*

Loving God,

**All: you've called us to be your family and to celebrate our life together in worship.  
We pray for all the members of our family, here and absent,  
and especially for our young people now as they continue their worship.  
Bless them, and each of us, in fun and learning, in friendship, and love. Amen.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Brooding Spirit,  
beneath your wings there is creation and life:  
accompany us on the difficult path  
with the disappeared, the broken and the fearful,  
so that we find the way to the city of our peace  
where we are all accepted as your beloved;  
through the cross of Jesus Christ, our only Lord.

**All: Amen.**

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009), alt.

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## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST READING

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM *(sung by the choir)*

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The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength  
of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?  
When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, it was they, my foes and my  
adversaries, who stumbled and fell.  
Though an army should encamp against me, yet my heart shall not be afraid;  
And though war should rise up against me, yet will I put my trust in him.  
One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the  
Lord all the days of my life;  
To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.  
For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the  
secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.  
Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me.  
Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will  
sing and make music to the Lord.  
Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.

You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face, Lord, will I see.  
 Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure.  
 You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.  
 Though my father and my mother forsake me, the Lord will sustain me.  
 Show me your way, O Lord; lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.  
 Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen up  
 against me, and also those who speak malice.  
 What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the  
 living!  
 O tarry and await the Lord's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; wait  
 patiently for the Lord.

**THE EPISTLE**

Philippians 3:17—4:1

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL HYMN** (CP 503)

DUKE STREET (CP 363)

**THE GOSPEL**

Luke 13:31-35

*Before the Gospel*

*Cantor:* Praise to you O Christ, *All:* King of e - ter - nal glo - ry!

*Deacon or cantor: The Lord is a great God; O that today you would listen to his voice;  
 harden not your hearts.*

*All:* Praise to you O Christ, King of e - ter - nal glo - ry!

The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*After the Gospel*

The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**SERMON**

*Following the Sermon there will be a pause for Silence.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

## THE PEACE

*Please stand.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*All may offer their neighbour a sign of peace.*

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## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**OFFERTORY HYMN** (NEH 76)

BRESLAU

### THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God our provider,  
you have not fed us with bread alone,  
but with words of grace and life.  
Bless us and these your gifts,  
which we receive from your bounty,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 2

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal God, Source of all being,  
we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love.  
You call us into friendship with you and one another  
to be your holy people,  
a sign of your presence in the world.  
When those we trust betray us,  
unfailingly you remain with us.  
When we injure others,  
you confront us in your love

and call us to the paths of righteousness.  
You stand with the weak,  
and those, broken and alone,  
whom you have always welcomed home,  
making the first last, and the last first.

Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels,  
forever praising you and singing:

## SANCTUS

*Cantor:* Ho - ly, *All:* Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of power and might.  
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, O Holy One:  
when Hagar was driven into the wilderness  
you followed her and gave her hope.  
When Joseph was sold into bondage,  
you turned malice to your people's good.  
When you called Israel out of slavery,  
you brought them through the wilderness  
into the promised land.  
When your people were taken into exile  
you wept with them by the river of Babylon  
and carried them home.

### **All: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!**

At the right time you sent your Anointed One  
to stand with the poor,  
the outcast, and the oppressed.  
Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them.  
He accepted water from a woman of Samaria  
and offered her the water of new life.  
Christ knew the desolation of the cross

and opened the way for all humanity  
into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed,  
Jesus, at supper with his friends,  
took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread,  
gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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."  
Loving and Holy One,  
recalling Christ's death and resurrection,  
we offer you these gifts,  
longing for the bread of tomorrow  
and the wine of the age to come.

Therefore we proclaim our hope.

**All: Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life.  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Pour out your Spirit on these gifts  
that through them you may sustain us  
in our hunger for your peace.  
We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering,  
our sisters and brothers.  
When we are broken and cast aside,  
embrace us in your love.

**All: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!**

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours,  
O Source of all life, now and for ever.



**All: A men A - men A - men.**



**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

We break this bread,

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

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.**

**THE COMMUNION**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*Cantor:* *All:*  
1, 2. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us.

*Cantor:* *All:*  
3. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: Grant us peace.

*All are invited to receive communion. We share bread and wine at the front of the Church and recommend you wait until the row in front of you has received rather than joining a line-up. If you prefer for any reason not to take either the bread or wine then sharing 'in one kind' is still sharing full communion. It is the practice of the ACC not to dip the bread into the wine. Any not receiving communion are invited to come forward and have a prayer said for you by those distributing the bread, and to indicate that by holding their arms crossed on their chest.*

*We don't wish there to be any barriers to receiving – Gluten-free wafers are available at both stations on request and if you are unable to come forward for communion please make this known to the Greeters and we will bring communion to you. All are welcome at Christ's table!*

*There will be a silent pause for reflection and personal prayer following the sharing of Holy Communion.*

**Ministry of Healing**

We invite those wishing prayer for themselves or on behalf of someone else to come to the front of the line to receive the bread and wine. Immediately after receiving, go to the prayer station in the south Quadra entrance. Briefly state your need. The prayer team will lay hands on your shoulders and will pray quietly for you.

## **ANTHEM DURING COMMUNION**

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem. They shall prosper that love thee.  
Peace be within thy walls and plenteousness within thy palaces.

Words: Psalm 122.6,7. Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

*Following the Communion there will be a pause for Silence.*

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## **THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

**All: May we who share Christ's body live Christ's risen life;  
we who drink this 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 we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Alternative Service Book, 1980

### **THE DOXOLOGY**

Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.  
Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

### **DISMISSAL**

Go forth into the world,  
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **RECESSIONAL HYMN (CP 537)**

CROSS OF JESUS

*There will be a brief organ improvisation following the hymn, during which you are welcome to be seated in preparation for the Vestry Meeting immediately following the service, or to leave if you wish.*

*Coffee, tea, and 'Divine Brunch' will be served in the Parish Hall after the short Vestry Meeting.*

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## READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

**Isaiah 55:1-9** Sinners are called to forsake evil ways and to turn to the Lord, fully assured that God's pardon is freely available.

**Psalms 63:1-8** Great trust and confidence in God are expressed.

**1 Corinthians 10:1-13** Paul recalls Israel's experience in the wilderness as a caution against false confidence and a reminder to flee the sins of idolatry and self-indulgence.

**Luke 13:1-9** Jesus makes an urgent call to repentance, one of the most compelling in the New Testament.

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## During Lent

During Lent we will be marking the season in a number of ways. There is the opportunity for some substantial study and thinking.

Mondays during Lent the Quadra Street church doors will be open to all to come and enjoy **Quiet Meditation** from 12 Noon – 2:00pm.

We are reading and talking over soup at our **Lunch with a Point** on Wednesdays at 12 Noon, with a Bible Study, "Transforming Encounters – meeting with Jesus".

Once again **Reel Thought** is offered weekly through Lent (not including Ash Wednesday or Holy Week) – movies to entertain and provoke thought. These take place at 7:00 pm on Wednesdays.

March 20: *Even the Rain* (Spain/Mexico/France, 2010, 103 mins.) <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1422032/>

March 27: *Smoke Signals* (Canada/USA, 1998, 89 mins.) <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0120321/>

April 3: *Hochelaga, Land of Souls* (Canada, 2017, 100 mins.) <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt6530104/>

April 10: *Indian Horse* (Canada, 2017, 101 mins.) <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt5672286/>

Follow the Lenten daily blogs on St. John's website ([www.stjohnthedivine.bc.ca](http://www.stjohnthedivine.bc.ca)).

For further ideas for Lenten reading or disciplines to take up for this Holy Season, please contact the Rector. Likewise, following a few enquiries, if anyone would like to 'make their confession' (or, as it is known, practise the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**) please contact the Rector.



## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

### Today

11:30 am	Reconvening of Vestry – financials	Church
11:45 am	Divine Brunch	Hall
2:00 pm	PFLAG	Denson Lounge

### Monday 18

12 Noon-2pm	Quiet Meditation	Church
2:00 pm	Book Study	Chapel
4:00 pm	Living Presence Meditation	Chapel

### Tuesday 19

10:00 am	Food Bank	Crypt
2:00 pm	ACW Meeting	Denson Lounge
7:00 pm	Parish Council Meeting	Denson Lounge
7:00 pm	Alliance Club Cooking for youth in need	Hall Kitchen

### Wednesday 20

7:45 am	Holy Communion followed by Breakfast	Chapel / Denson Lounge
9:30 am	Sermon Circle	Denson Lounge
12 Noon	Lunch with a Point	Denson Lounge
1:30 pm	Art and Soul Group	Crypt
4:30 pm	Finance Committee Meeting	Vestry
7:00 pm	Reel Thought Movie Night <i>Even the Rain</i> (Spain/Mexico/France, 2010, 103 mins.) <a href="http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1422032/">http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1422032/</a>	Denson Lounge

### Thursday 21

12:10 pm	Meditative Eucharist	Chapel
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### Saturday 23

11:30 am	Dedication of Chapel Doors	Chapel
2:00 pm	PWRDF Workshop	Denson Lounge

### Sunday 24

8:00 am	Holy Communion	Chapel
10:00 am	Parish Eucharist	Church

## EVENTS

Come and revive your **Art & Soul** at the art and spirituality group held in the basement space at St. John the Divine **every Wednesday afternoon at 1:30pm**. Art experience is not necessary! We ask for a *voluntary* donation of \$4.00 per session to provide supplies for those in need. Any questions - please contact Gillian Barlow or Susan McCabe.

## Graduation Recitals

**Ethan Hill** (Sutton Organ Scholar) presents his composition *Mox* as part of his **graduation recital at UVic, tonight at 8pm** in the Phillip Young Recital Hall (B125 MacLaurin Building). *Mox* is written for justly-tuned ensemble of bass flute, alto sax, bass clarinet, keyboard, harp, percussion, viola, and violin. Free admission.

**Nolan Kehler**, our tenor MacRae Choral Scholar, presents his **graduating recital at UVic, Wed., March 20<sup>th</sup> at 8pm** in the Phillip Young Recital Hall (B125 MacLaurin Building). Music featured includes Handel, Rossini, Poulenc, Britten, and more; he will be accompanied by **Aya Robertson**, piano (also a member of the Choristers here at St. John's).



### Movie Club –

#### Wednesdays during Lent at 7:00 pm in the Denson Lounge

Next Wednesday evening, **March 20<sup>th</sup>**, Reel Thought will present the second of its Lenten screenings for 2019 at 7:00 p.m.:

***Even the Rain (También la Lluvia)*** (Spain/Mexico/France, 2010, 103 mins.) <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1422032/>

Spanish director Sebastián (Gael García Bernal), his executive producer Costa, and all his crew are in the Cochabamba area of Bolivia to shoot a motion picture about Christopher Columbus, his first explorations, and the way the Spaniards treated the Indians at the time. Costa has chosen this place because the budget of the film is tight and here he can hire local actors and extras on the cheap. Things go more or less smoothly until a conflict erupts over the privatization of the water supply. The trouble is that one of the local actors is a leading activist in the protest movement. *Guy Bellinger* (IMDb)

This is a film about a film about a film, and to make it even more circular it features modern indigenous people being exploited as they portray historical indigenous people being exploited, all against the backdrop of the corrupt privatization of water in Bolivia. Strong performances in a story full of difficult moral conflicts.

## Chapel Information-

As many of you know, the new doors and art work will be dedicated by the Bishop on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. The artist has requested it be a very small gathering and in respect for his wishes attendance will be limited.

**There will be a dedication of the chapel at a later date to which everyone will be invited.**

## **“Climate Change, The Migration of People & The Relevance of PWRDF!”**

In conjunction with the March Blue Envelope campaign, a half-day **PWRDF Workshop** on the above topic will be held **Sat., Mar. 23 (2:00 - 4:30 pm)** in St. John's Denson Lounge.

This event, jointly sponsored by the St. John's and Christ Church Cathedral parishes, will be facilitated by **Dr. Geoff Strong, PWRDF Diocesan Representative** and Board Member. Geoff, a long-time advocate for our Anglican Church's international programs, is also a climate scientist and writer.

Refreshments will be served! All interested St. John's parishioners are cordially invited to attend!! Please call Carol-Ann at the Church office (250-383-7169) to register for this timely **PWRDF** learning opportunity.

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## **The Liturgical Workshop has been rescheduled**

On behalf of our incumbent, Alastair, and the Liturgy Committee I would like to invite you to a Liturgical Workshop on **Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm**. During our time together, we will discuss various liturgical principles and roles. The discussion of liturgical principles will give us a common framework that will deepen our understanding of the various ministerial roles that are applied in the Eucharist. The purpose of our discussion is to continue creating a positive, respectful and team approach to our ministrations. We will also celebrate the Eucharist. Lunch will be provided. **Please make plans to attend this workshop. The workshop is open to everyone.**

If you registered for the previous date please contact Carol-Ann again and let her know if you are still able to attend.

Thank you, Bill Tarter

### **Faith in Justice Series - Spring 2019**

**(A joint St. John the Divine/First Met Venture)**

All sessions in the Denson Lounge, St John's (unless otherwise advised) 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

#### **Tuesday, April 2 - “The State of BC's Democracy in an Era of Populism”**

Dermod Travis, Executive Director, Integrity BC, a non-partisan, non-profit political watchdog dedicated to engendering bonds of trust and confidence between citizens and their elected officials. Mr. Travis writes and broadcasts widely on these issues.

[This is the session postponed from February 12 - snowday]



**Please consider dedicating a lily for Easter Sunday.** Your dedication can be sent to Carol-Ann and a cheque dropped at the office or in the collection plate. The price of the lilies is \$13. Thank you.

## Announcements

**A Prayer Group** prays through the week; to request confidential prayers for yourself or others contact Pat Manning at: [patriciacmanning@gmail.com](mailto:patriciacmanning@gmail.com) or leave the request at the church office.

**Prayer is the bedrock of our relationship with God through Christ.** Individual requests for intercessory prayer (read at Sunday and weekday services) may be made by filling out a **Prayer Request Card** available at the back of the church (on the west wall) or by emailing the same information requested on the card to: [carolann.zenger@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca](mailto:carolann.zenger@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca).

**Request:** If there is someone who would take on the task of preparing Amnesty International letters for parish signatures every 4 or 5 weeks, please contact Barbara Jenks.



### The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

#### BLUE-ENVELOPE FOR MARCH

PWRDF has been the Anglican Church of Canada's official relief and development arm for 60 years. Each March, we encourage the St. John's community to contribute to this outstanding international program through the **Blue Envelope Campaign**. PWRDF's work covers such programmatic areas as Preventive Health, Food Security, Women's Empowerment, Disaster/Emergency Relief, Refugee/Migrant Assistance and Indigenous Peoples' Support. PWRDF operates through competent local partners committed to community empowerment and capacity-building.

In addition to encouraging you to make a monetary contribution this month, we want to challenge you to learn more about PWRDF by:

- Visiting the PWRDF **Display Table** and talking to Wendy or Murray during coffee hour each Sunday in March.
- Going to the PWRDF web site -- [pwrdf.org](http://pwrdf.org) -- to encounter unique stories about PWRDF's many successful projects around the world.
- Attending the 10:00 am Church service on **Sun., Mar. 24** at St. John's to hear **The Rev. John Barton** (from the Cathedral) who will deliver a sermon about PWRDF.
- Coming to an informal Diocesan workshop on **Sat., Mar. 23** (2:00–4:30 pm in the Denson Lounge), led by PWRDF's regional coordinator Dr. Geoff Strong. The title of this informal session is: **"Climate Science, Migration, and PWRDF."**

Thank you for again supporting the **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund Program (PWRDF)** and bringing hope to a world in great need!


# SOUL SPACE

Things to nourish our spiritual journey

“No act of virtue can be great if it is not followed by advantage for others. So, no matter how much time you spend fasting, no matter how much you sleep on a hard floor and eat ashes and sigh continually, if you do no good to others, you do nothing great.” — **John Chrysostom**

**DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?**  
*In the words of Pope Francis*

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

pietrafitness.com 

**The Christian Left and Canadian Politics** featuring the Hon. Bill Blaikie, retired NDP MP, at First Metropolitan Church, 932 Balmoral Road, **today – 1:30-3:00 pm**, in conversation with Mayor Lisa Helps, Patricia Lane, Alex Nelson, Mary Louise Meadow and Paul Bramadat.

In this election year, how might Christians interested in politics act and think? Should activists prioritize certain dire global situations (e.g. climate change), other more local challenges (e.g. homelessness) or international crises (e.g. refugees in Europe)? Do progressive Christians have a special role to play in contemporary Canadian politics?

In collaboration with UVic's John Albert Hall Lecture Series and sponsored by the Anglican Diocese of British Columbia, the University of Victoria's Centre for Studies in Religion and Society and First Metropolitan. For more information, [www.uvic.ca/csrs](http://www.uvic.ca/csrs)



## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES AT ST. JOHN'S

### **Palm Sunday, April 14**

- 8:00 am Holy Communion
- 10:00 am Parish Eucharist with the Liturgy of the Palms

### **Monday, April 15**

- 7:30 pm Eucharist with Prayers of Penitence

### **Tuesday, April 16**

- 7:30 pm Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

### **Wednesday, April 17**

- 7:45 am Holy Communion followed by Breakfast
- 7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

### **Maundy Thursday, April 18**

- No Meditative Eucharist
- 6:00 pm Parish Potluck
- 7:30 pm Eucharist for Maundy Thursday, with washing of feet and stripping of the Altars. Followed by a short time of silent vigil.

### **Good Friday, April 19**

- 10:00 am Good Friday Family Service
- 12 Noon-2:00 pm Silence and Meditations
- 2:00 pm The Good Friday Liturgy, with sung Passion and Meditation on the Cross

### **Holy Saturday, April 20**

- 8:00 pm The Great Vigil of Easter at Christ Church Cathedral

### **Easter Day, April 21**

- 8:00 am Holy Communion
- 10:00 am Festival Eucharist followed by Champagne Brunch



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# THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

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