

NEWS FROM ST JAMES

AN EXCERPT FROM: AN EPISCOPAL DICTIONARY OF THE CHURCH

Our liturgies come from the pilgrimage diary of a fourth century Spanish nun, Egeria. We owe our own Book of Common Prayer liturgies to the discovery of her account of her travels. Egeria was a remarkable woman who wrote and traveled at a time that many women couldn't do either. We know she was Roman, so she was a convert to the Christian faith. Our celebration of Maundy Thursday goes back even further, to the account in Scripture of Jesus' last night as described in the Gospel of John, when he washes his disciples' feet as he models

servanthood. It is also the time we remember the institution of the Holy Eucharist; we say the same words from the Gospel on Maundy Thursday and every time we celebrate communion: This is my body, this is my blood. Do this in remembrance of me.

Numerous pilgrims to the holy city followed the path of Jesus in his last days. They formed processions, worshipped where Christ suffered and died, and venerated relics. From this beginning evolved the rites we observe today on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. These services provide a liturgical experience of the last days of Jesus' earthly life, as well as the time and events leading up to his resurrection. The BCP provides special

liturgies for each of these days. The eucharistic lectionary also provides proper readings for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in Holy Week. Some parishes observe the service of Tenebrae on one of these days in Holy Week. In many dioceses, the diocesan clergy will make a reaffirmation of ordination vows in the context of a eucharist during Holy Week, usually before Maundy Thursday. The three holy days, or Triduum, of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday are at the heart of the Holy Week observance. In many Episcopal parishes, the liturgical color for Holy Week from Palm Sunday through Maundy Thursday is red. Holy Week ends at sundown on the Saturday before Easter, or with the celebration of the Easter Vigil. •

Taizè Prayer Service

April 7th 7 PM
Resurrection Church
1725 S. 11th Ave.

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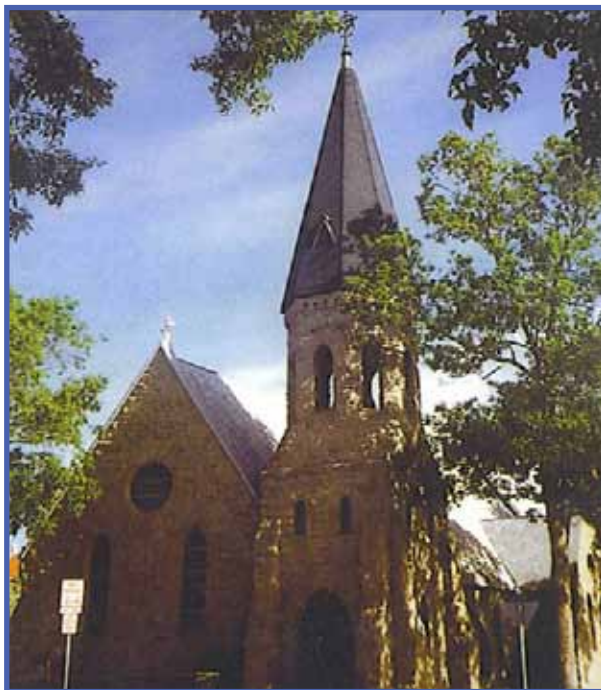
What difference has the resurrection made in your life?

What difference, that is, does it make to know that God entered fully into our humanness - our joys and sorrow, hopes and disappointments, loves and losses? What difference does it make that God understands us deeply? What difference does it make that God suffered death as one of us? What difference does it make that God raised Jesus from the dead, signally a new reality that death does not reign triumphant in our lives?

These are big questions, and they stand at the very heart of the Christian faith. I encourage you to ask yourself these questions in the days ahead. Let Easter be the springboard from which you are able to live into the resurrection in tangible ways.

No matter how you proclaim the resurrection of Christ, please know how grateful I am for your efforts on behalf of St. James and the support you give the parish through our annual Easter Offering.

I hope you will join me for Holy Week services this year. Together, let us walk that fateful journey that ultimately leads to an empty tomb.



Saint Augustine wrote in the 5th century, “Pay attention, therefore, to the sacred three days of the Crucified, Buried and Resurrected One. Of these three the Cross is the one whose meaning we realize in the present life, while the Burial and the Resurrection signify something we believe and hope for.”

Grace and peace for a continued holy Lent, the holiest of weeks and a glorious celebration of Christ’s Resurrection—our ultimate hope.

Faithfully,

Father Clark

KIDS & YOUTH.

EMILY THRASHER
CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Nursery – Our attendants care and play with your little ones in the Todd Center Nursery. Maddie & Heaven look forward to seeing your up to Age 6 children in the Nursery; older children get to attend Godly Play. Our capacity is currently set at eight children, a 1:4 ratio, so that we can give your children the attention and care they deserve in our relatively small space. All children must be retrieved by 12:15 pm.

Godly Play – Our member volunteers and Youth Mentor are excited to share their knowledge and teach your children with this Montessori-based Bible study curriculum.

Youth Group – All 6th through 12th graders are invited to meet for Youth Group. Join Youth Mentor Jackson Brown in the Todd Center basement for Bible Study, discussion, prayer, and games; assisted by Emily Thrasher. Stay for a shared meal at noon. Come see what’s going on, what we do, and how you can be a part of the St.

James Youth Group!

Confirmation Class – Reach out to Father Greg about Confirmation Classes in preparation for Bishop’s Sunday/St. James Day on July 23rd.

Confirmation We appreciate everyone who came out for the Youth Group Annual Pancake Supper for Shrove Tuesday! The episcoPALS are always grateful to know that this congregation cares about their success. •



HOLY WEEK.

AN EXCERPT FROM:
CHRIST CHURCH WALTHAM
EPISCOPAL BLOG

What is Holy Week?

Holy week is the week between Palm Sunday and Easter. It begins with Maundy Thursday, continues on Good Friday, and culminates in the Great Vigil of Easter on Saturday Night. These are sometimes called by the Latin Triduum (meaning “three days.”). They are, technically, one service—there’s no final blessing or dismissal from Thursday’s opening until the end of the Great Vigil on Saturday. Holy Week is, spiritually and theologically, the high point and center of the whole church year. Having gone through the journey of Maundy Thursday, the depths of Good Friday, the watching and waiting of the Vigil the celebration of the Easter resurrection is that much more powerful and honest. Our liturgies aren’t museum pieces; they draw us into a deeper truth of our faith. They are in some ways a mirror of our own experience. Jesus Christ was fully human. Though he was in the form of God, he did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself. (Philippians 2: 5) Jesus emptied himself and took on all of the uncertainty, pain, and suffering of human living. Nothing human is alien to the heart of God because of Jesus’ closeness to us. This week, Jesus enters the depths of human love, and also human grief and suffering. This week is about us, not just about God. “Wash each other,” Jesus tells

us in Scripture, and as we do, we wash Christ himself. This week, we observe and participate in this sacrificial closeness God has to us.

The Stations of the Cross

At this service, we walk the pilgrim walk of the Way of the Cross. Many churches, both Catholic and Protestant, use these 14 “stations” as a way to pray the last day of his life from his condemnation to being laid in the tomb: the path Jesus would have walked in Jerusalem. From “Jesus is condemned to death” through “Jesus is placed in the tomb,” the carved images of each moment on the way were widely installed in European churches in the late middle ages. Our stations are photographs of Eric Gill’s early twentieth century series (at Westminster Cathedral in England).

Maundy Thursday

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” (John 13:35) The word “Maundy” comes from the Latin, *mandatum*, which means commandment. In the liturgy, we wash each others’ feet—we are each others’ servants. Men and women, older and younger—we are all called to serve each other. Is it awkward? Of course. Don’t come wearing pantyhose. It’s a level of nearness we don’t frequently experience with our friends, much less the person you sit behind in church. But is it holy? Absolutely. The dis-

ciples didn’t understand what Jesus was doing at first, either. When Jesus kneels at Peter’s feet, he says, “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.” Peter is confused—an act of submission by his Lord? No way. Jesus says, “You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.” Does Peter get it, later? Much later, he does—after the crucifixion, after the resurrection, He understands just how different a Lord Jesus was. Not one who wants domination and power, but a Lord who wants to be on the floor, kneeling in front of us, comforting and consoling: a Lord whose only command is love. The foot washing takes place between the sermon and the prayers of the people. The liturgy continues with Communion. After Communion, we strip the altar. All the hangings, all the chairs, all the cushions and candles come out of the sanctuary. We do this to prepare for Good Friday, to remind ourselves of the abandonment of Christ, and the utter absence and desolation of that day. Everyone who is present in the church is invited to help strip the altar—it’s not just a performance by the clergy or leaders of the service; it’s shared by us all. After the service, we’re invited to sit in vigil with the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood, remembering his invitation to his disciples to stay awake with him in Gethsemane on his last night.

Good Friday

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YOU'RE INVITED

BILL & MARGO MCGINNESS
FRIDAY, APRIL 14, AT 6:30 PM
1420 TRIPLE TREE, BOZEMAN

You're invited to a potluck party! No need to RSVP, just bring your favorite dish to share, a friendly attitude, and a healthy appetite! This monthly gathering is a treasured time for all St James members and is a great way for new members to find connection and friendship. Join us as we eat, drink, and be thankful!

For directions, call Bill at 406-585-1365. Want to host a potluck? Call Deacon Roxy 580-4748. •



FAST BREAK PARTY



Questions? Please contact the Membership Committee or Markie Nathan at hn@aggienetwork.com.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 8:30 PM
FOLLOWING THE 7 PM
GREAT EASTER VIGIL SERVICE
BRING THE FAMILY ALONG
AND A DISH TO SHARE!**

The Great Easter Vigil Service is a culmination of the 40 day Lent Fast, three day observance of the cross and resurrection, and the first celebration of Easter. After the service on Saturday night we gather for a party to break the fast together.

This is an indulgent dessert potluck as people bring something they gave up for Lent—more often than not, it's chocolate or ice cream.

This is a joyous time throughout the service and into the party, as we celebrate darkness becoming light and death rising to new life. •

WE GET SO WE CAN GIVE: YOUR TIME IS NEEDED

Bring your heart and volunteer with some of the most dynamic and loving people at St James with Godly Play and the Youth Group. We need your support! There are a variety of jobs and time commitments available! Email Emily all your thoughts and questions on how you can join this team emilythrasher.stjames@gmail.com•

HOUSING FIRST LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE

St. James Deacon Connie Campbell- Pearson along with the Housing First team launched a new website, check it out:

<https://www.housingfirstbozeman.org>

GALLATIN COUNTY CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER

This newly formed group brings a multi-disciplinary team approach to the investigation, prosecution, and treatment of child abuse, particularly sexual abuse. Children who are sexually abused are at much higher risk of social, physical, and behavioral problems later in life. Early intervention makes a difference. Contact the Help Center to learn more 406-586-3333. •



MAY THE FATHER
BLESS YOU,
THE SON HEAL YOU,
AND THE HOLY SPIRIT
GIVE YOU STRENGTH.

Immediate Requests:

Emily and Jon, Kelly Larson, Alan Dapore, B.J. Wright, Lester Wooden, Jay Treadwell, Patrick Eckman, Henry Auvil, Aaron and Lynn Holsinger, Thomas, Kathleen Collins, Rachel, Susan, Laura James, Debra, Tara, Tricia, Carol Smalley, Theresa, Evelyn & Tom Halpin, Darrel Nelson, Theresa White, Kathy Wilkerson, Frank Palazzi, Brody and Julie, Clyde Ritter, Teresa, Arlene Fiscus, Phyllis Aitken, Erin Adams-Griffin, Daiquiri Lucas, Blake Smith

For the Home Bound:

Angus MacDonald, Joan Bray, Patty Carkeek, Arlene Fiscus, Penny McClelland, The Rev. Denise Rogers, Bev Wallace, Jim Banks, Margaret Mackin, John Dowell, Janette Moore,

Continuing Prayers:

Cynthia, Pamela Duescher, Sarah, Janet R., Christina, Seth F., Leslie P., Margo, Annie M., Roxanne, Everette June, Mary Ken Chandler, Karen Smalley, Jack Olson, Abigail, Jenny Tucker

For the US Armed Forces:

Christian Lavinder, Andrew Gifford, U.S. Navy, James Fuemmeler, U.S. Navy, Sky-lar Gifford U.S. Navy,

April Remembrance:

Harriet Cover, Jimmy Morrow, Ima B. Wallace, Virginia Nufer, Nessie Chambers,

Robin Collier, Thomas Brantley Bailey, Jr., Louise Langohr Goodrich, Neil Justin Howarth, Rusty Heymann, Rand Honadel, Anna Lee Anderson, Col. Jerald L. Thompson, Margaret Langohr Goodrich, Carl Lehrkind, Jr., Margaret Boobar, Francis Dye, Gretchen Richards Klingensmith, Wilbur Saunders, Verne Klingensmith

Here to support you:

If you have a prayer request that you would like all of the members of the St. James parish family to pray for, please contact Sarah Krumm at sj5westolive@gmail.com or at 406-586-9093, Extension 1 and your prayer request will appear in the St. James Prayer List. Call 406-580-5044 to report emergencies or deaths after hours and on weekends.

Healing + Prayer

Beginning April 16 at 6 PM in the Guild Room, our adult class on Christian Healing and Prayer. will continue after Easter As members of The International Order of St. Luke the Physician, Fr. Clark, Dn. Connie, and Carol Haughwout have years of experience in healing ministry. The class is a part of the renewal of the St. James chapter of The International Order of St. Luke the Physician. We hope to grow new members of the chapter to reestablish our healing prayer ministry at St. James. For more information, contact Fr. Clark. •

...stolen a portion of the sacred wood, it is thus guarded by the deacons who stand around, lest any one approaching should venture to do so again And as all the people pass by one by one, all bowing themselves, they touch the Cross and the title, first with their foreheads and then with their eyes; then they kiss the Cross and pass through, but none lays his hand upon it to touch it. (The Pilgrimage of Egeria) For Good Friday at Christ Church, we follow the liturgy in the Book of Common Prayer. It differs in some significant ways from the regular Eucharist we celebrate on Sundays. Instead of the Prayers of the People, we hear a series of collects (aptly named “the Solemn Collects”) that offer prayers for the church and the world, for those who suffer and those who seek faith). After the collects comes the central moment, the entrance of the cross. The cross we use is not an elaborate one-it’s not made of nice wood, or stained a beautiful color. It’s two rough sticks, bound together, found in the woods. After the cross enters, we are all invited to reverence to bow, to kiss, to kneel, or just to stand and wonder at the mystery of that symbol, an object of shame and violence transformed into life and love. On Good Friday we don’t celebrate the Eucharist. The preacher Barbara Brown Taylor has said that Good Friday is the quietest day of the year-part of that silence is not celebrating the sacrament. In recognition of our need to be fed, however, we do share communion.

The Great Vigil of Easter

The Easter Vigil is just that – a Vigil – we enter a darkened church, after lighting the Pascal candle from the “new fire” of Easter outside the church and then we process in singing, “The light of Christ,” and hear the stories of our salvation from the Hebrew Scriptures. Halfway through the service, Easter begins! We ring in our celebration with bells and more light (so remember to bring your own bell to ring). We reaffirm our baptismal covenant (if there aren’t baptisms to celebrate) and are sprinkled with holy water. The service continues with a festive Eucharist, with incense and wonderful Easter hymns. The alleluias will be back! •



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ST JAMES BOZEMAN CALENDAR

APRIL 2017

26	27	28	29	30	31	Apr 1
<p>2</p> <p>Morning Services: 8 9:30 & 11AM 9:30AM Nursery & Godly Play</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9AM Morning Prayer @Aspen Pointe 10AM Service 6PM Lent Class</p>	<p>6</p> <p>5PM ABBA 7 PM Choir</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7AM Men's Study @Perkins 5:30PM Stations Of The Cross 7 PM NA Meeting</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8 PM AA</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Palm Sunday Processional 10:45 Morning Services: 8 9:30 & 11AM 9:30AM Nursery & Godly Play</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9AM Morning Prayer @Aspen Pointe 10AM Service 7 PM Tenebrae Service</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7 PM Maundy Thur Service 8:30 PM to 5 AM All-Night Prayer Vigil</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7AM Men's Study 2 PM Good Fri Service 6:30PM Adult Potluck 5:30PM Stations Of The Cross 7 PM NA Meeting</p>	<p>15</p> <p>10-12 Children's Celebration 7 PM Vigil 8:30 PM Fast Break Party 8 PM AA</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Easter Day Morning Services: 8 9:30 & 11AM 9:30AM Nursery & Godly Play</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9AM Morning Prayer @Aspen Pointe 10AM Service</p>	<p>20</p> <p>5PM ABBA 7 PM Choir</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7AM Men's Study @Perkins</p>	<p>22</p> <p>8 PM AA</p>
<p>23</p> <p>Morning Services: 10 AM ONLY 10 AM Nursery & Godly Play 10 AM Youth Group</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>5:30PM Vestry Meeting Open to public</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9AM Morning Prayer @Aspen Pointe 10AM Service</p>	<p>27</p> <p>5PM ABBA 7 PM Choir</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7AM Men's Study @Perkins</p>	<p>29</p> <p>8 PM AA</p>
<p>30</p> <p>Morning Services: 8 9:30 & 11AM 9:30AM Nursery & Godly Play</p>	<p>May 1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>5PM ABBA 7 PM Choir</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7 PM NA Meeting</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8 PM AA</p>

PRIVATE MEETINGS & CHURCH COMMITTEES:

4-1 10AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 4-3 5:30PM CWC Meetings; 4-10 5:30PM Citizen Climate Lobby; 4-11 Noon Membership Committee; 4-17 5:30PM Finance Committee; 4-18 Executive Committee; 4-24 5PM Haven Support Group. For the most accurate schedule, check the website www.stjamesbozeman.com and add it to your online calendar or phone.

Fr. Clark can be reached at 406-580-5044 for appointments during the week. For the most up-to-date schedule, please check the online calendar at www.stjamesbozeman.com.

ST JAMES BOZEMAN CALENDAR

MAY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	May 1 Family Promise at the St James Rectory	2	3 9AM Morning Prayer @Aspen Pointe 10AM Service	4	5 7AM Men's Study @Perkins	6
7	8 United Thank Offering Sundy Morning Services: 8 9:30 & 11AM 9:30AM Nursery & Godly Play 11AM Youth Group	9	10 9AM Morning Prayer @Aspen Pointe 10AM Service	11 5PM ABBA 7 PM Choir	12 7AM Men's Study @Perkins 6:30PM Potluck	13 8 PM AA
14	15 Morning Services: 8 9:30 & 11AM 9:30AM Nursery & Godly Play	16	17 9AM Morning Prayer @Aspen Pointe 10AM Service	18 5PM ABBA 7 PM Choir	19 7AM Men's Study @Perkins	20 8 PM AA
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28	29 Morning Services: 8 9:30 & 11AM 9:30AM Nursery & Godly Play 11AM Youth Group	30	31 9AM Morning Prayer @Aspen Pointe 10AM Service	Jun 1	2	3 8 PM AA

PRIVATE MEETINGS & CHURCH COMMITTEES:

5-6 10AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 5-1 CWC; 5-12 6PM St James Potluck (off campus) 3-14 Noon Membership Committee; 5-15 5:30PM Finance Committee; 5-16 Executive Committee; Note: Fr. Clark will be out during the May for a sabbatical, send him well wishes before he leaves town!



MONTANA DIOCESE

www.diomontana.com

The Episcopal Veterans Fellowship offers prayer, hospitality, and reconciliation to veterans and those who love them.

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Episcopal Veteran's Fellowship

The Episcopal Veterans Fellowship (EVF) was born in 2009 in a resolution from General Convention to "Encourage the establishment of an Episcopal Veterans Fellowship for each diocese." In 2014, with a blessing from the Rt. Rev. Andy Doyle and a grant from the Episcopal Evangelism Society, a group of veterans gathered at St. David's Episcopal Church for a Pilgrimage of Remembrance and Reconciliation. Under the stained-glass window depicting St. Martin of Tours, the patron saint of veterans, they prayed for their friends who died in war and homecoming. By 2015, four parishes in the Diocese of Texas hosted EVF groups, a testament to the enthusiasm and dedication of those first members.

The EVF equips Christians for missional ministry to veterans through prayer, hospitality, and reconciliation. We offer educational workshops, consulting, and coaching so churches can reach out with God's love to veterans who live in the community. Each EVF group is led by The Hospitallers of St. Martin, a New Monastic Christian Community for veterans ministry.

If you are interested in learning more about how to reach out to veterans in your community, please click on the link below or contact David Peters at dpeters@stmarksaustin.org or DeSha Tolar-Thomas at jdesha@me.com •

Look for more?

Send your name and email to Jill Salin at admin@diomontana.com to join their mailing list for all the happenings around the Montana Diocese! •

