



The Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:00, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday, March 17, 2024

*Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.
May you leave here with a heart prepared to serve.*



*If this is your first time here, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card
found on the Welcome Table in the courtyard.*

The Word Of God

Prelude (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

"O Gott, du frommer Gott," from *Elf Choralvorspiele*, Op. 122

O God, Thou Faithful God

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Hymn At The Procession (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

Hymnal, #488

Be Thou My Vision, O Lord of my Heart

The people stand.

Opening Acclamation

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

His mercy endures forever.

Opening Sentence

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Confession Of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

The people kneel, as able, saying together.

God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Trisagion (8:00 a.m.)

The people stand.

Said three times.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy on us.

Kyrie (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

The people stand.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect Of The Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The 9:00 a.m. service continues with the Second Lesson on page 5.

The First Lesson (8:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

Jeremiah 31: 31-34

A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm (8:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

Psalm 119:9-16

at 8:00 a.m., the following is said by all, seated

at 11:00 a.m., the following is chanted by all, seated

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



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⁹ How shall a young man cleanse his way? *

By keeping to your words.

¹⁰ With my whole heart I seek you; *

let me not stray from your com-mandments.

¹¹ I treasure your promise in my heart, *

that I may not sin against you.

¹² Blessed are you, O Lord; *

instruct me in your statutes.

¹³ With my lips will I re-cite *

all the judgments of your mouth.

¹⁴ I have taken greater delight in the way of your de-crees *

than in all manner of riches.

¹⁵ I will meditate on your com-mandments *

and give attention to your ways.

¹⁶ My delight is in your statutes; *

I will not forget your word.

The Second Lesson

Hebrews 5:5-10

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son, today I have begotten you”;

as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Choir Anthem (9:00 a.m.)

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Dorothy Elder

Sung by St. Mary's Children's Choir

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Cast me not away from thy presence, Lord.

Gospel Acclamation (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

The people sing the antiphon as directed, standing, as able.

William Croft
(1678–1727)



Cantor, then all repeat:

Praise to you, Lord | Jesus | Christ,

King of | Endless | Glo-ry!

Cantor:

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,

so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

All repeat antiphon

The Holy Gospel

John 12: 20-33

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say — 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily (8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.)

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Marc Handley Andrus

The Children's Homily (9:00 a.m.)

Stina Trainor

The people are seated.

Children's Offertory Collection (9:00 a.m.)

The children's offertory collection supports The Middle East Children's Alliance (MECA), a nonprofit organization working for the rights and the well-being of children in the Middle East.

Doxology (9:00 a.m.)

sung to the tune Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Nicene Creed

The people stand.

We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father;
 through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
 and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Inspired by the Lorica of St. Patrick

The people stand.

Loving God of all mercies, look favorably upon the prayers of your people.

Hear our prayers for the whole church, leaders and ministers who share the faith of Abraham and all the holy people of God. Lead us in the way of love. Christ be with us,

Christ be within us.

Hear our prayers for your creation, especially for the Amazon engulfed in megafires, melting glaciers, vanishing coral reefs and other natural resources that are in peril. Guide all who tend to this planet. Christ behind me,

Christ before me.

Hear our prayers for those who are without shelter, food, or burdened by the fear of mass abduction, especially the people of Haiti, Gaza and Nigeria. You crossed the boundaries of heaven and earth to be among your people. Christ in danger,

Christ in quiet.

Hear our prayers for those who are hurting in mind, body or spirit, especially (N.) and others you may now name. We pray for those suffering from addiction and laden with burdens that are too heavy to carry alone. Open our hearts to those around us.

Christ to comfort us,

And restore us.

Hear our prayers for those who have died and have entered into your abiding peace, including (N.) and others you may now name. Comfort those who love them and wipe away their every tear. Christ beneath us,

Christ above us.

Hear our prayers for all of us gathered together today as we give thanks for those unexpected pleasures that forge the bonds of human love and for the birth of Rosalind Diana Spitzer, child of Laura Sanman and Matt Spitzer. Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend or stranger.

The Celebrant closes the prayer with the following collect

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: help us to look past the temporary desolation of our earthly trials and reach toward the eternity of your heavenly realm, where all divisions dissolve, all creation prospers, and all rejoice; we pray this through the Threeness in Oneness: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

The Peace

All stand.

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

The Ministers and the People share the peace of Christ with one another.

Greeting And Announcements

The people are seated.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Plate Offerings Today

*The plate offerings today are dedicated to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.
Funds are distributed to charitable organizations locally as well as internationally.*

Anthem At The Offertory (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

at 9:00

As Water to the Thirsty

Brian Coleman, arr. David Iliff

Sung by St. Mary's Youth Choir

As water to the thirsty, as beauty to the eyes, as strength that follows weakness, as truth instead of lies, as songtime and springtime and summertime to be, so is my Lord, my living Lord, so is my Lord to me.

Like calm in place of clamour, like peace that follows pain, like meeting after parting, like sunshine after rain, like moonlight and starlight and sunlight on the sea, so is my Lord, my living Lord, so is my Lord to me.

As sleep that follows fever, as gold instead of grey, as freedom after bondage, as sunrise to the day, as home to the traveller and all we long to see, so is my Lord, my living Lord, so is my Lord to me.

-Timothy Dudley-Smith

at 11:00

Like As The Hart

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Sung by St. Mary's Parish Choir

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks :
so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God :
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night :
while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

-Ps. 142

Hymn At The Presentation (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

Hymnal, #310

O Saving Victim, Opening Wide

The people stand.

The Great Thanksgiving (8:00 a.m.)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Great Thanksgiving (9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.)

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes, and the vocal parts are indicated by 'Celebrant' and 'People' above the staves.

Staff 1: Celebrant (The Lord be with you.) People (And al - so with you.)

Staff 2: Celebrant (Lift up your hearts.) People (We lift them to the Lord.)

Staff 3: Celebrant (Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.)

Staff 4: People (It is right to give God thanks and praise.)

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

Sanctus & Benedictus (8:00 a.m.)

The following is said by all:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus & Benedictus (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth -

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel, as able. In the season of Lent, kneeling is encouraged as a sign of penitence.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your

promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

“Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with Mary, the Christ Bearer, St. Patrick, St. Brigid, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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,

and the power, and the glory,

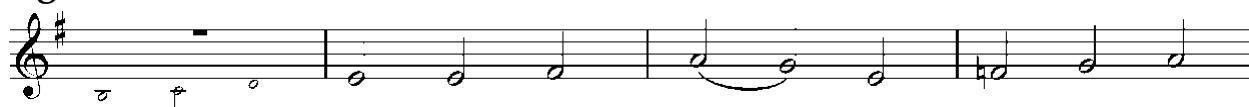
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -



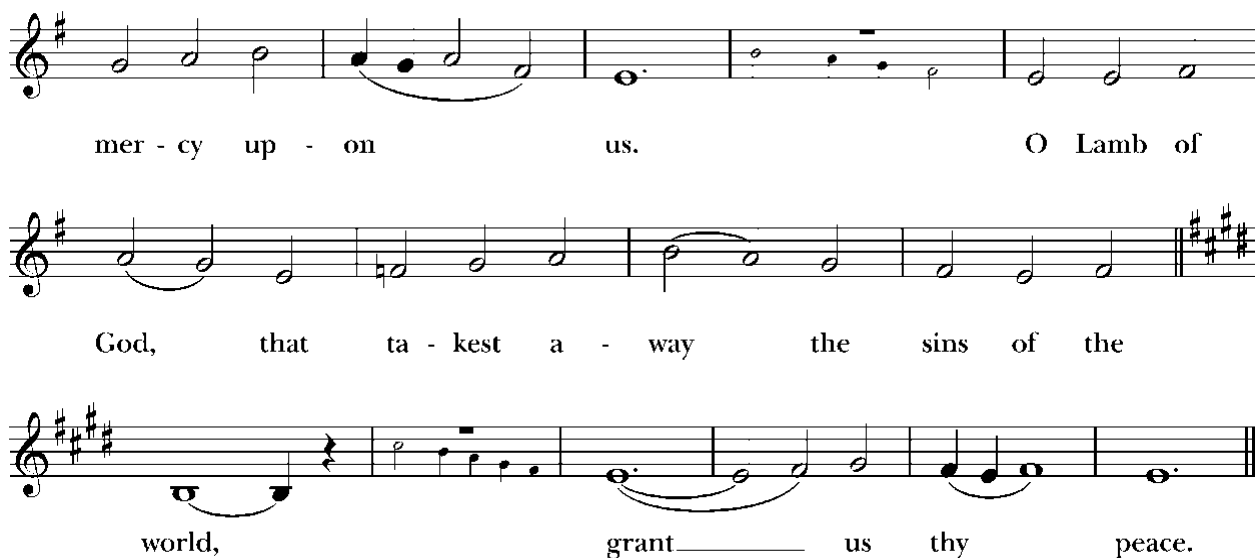
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -



on us. O Lamb of God, that



ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have



Invitation To Communion

Celtic Tradition

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord.

It is made ready for those who love God

and for those who want to love God more.

So, come, you who have much faith

and you who have little;

Come, not because it is I who invites you

--it is the invitation of the Lord.

It is God's will that those who desire in their heart will meet God here.

The Communion

All who desire to know God better are invited to receive the consecrated Bread and Wine.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. You may drink from a common chalice, or you may intinct the Bread into the Wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please simply cross your arms over your chest.

The people are seated.

Communion Chant (9:00 a.m)

The following is sung by all, seated

Be - hold the Lamb of God, be - hold the Lamb of God, who
takes a - way the sin, the sin of the world.

Text: Liturgical
Music: John L. Bell

Communion Music (11:00 a.m.)

I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Sung by St. Mary's Parish Choir

- ¹ I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,
from whence cometh my help.
- ² My help cometh even from the Lord,
who hath made heaven and earth.
- ³ He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:
And he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
- ⁴ Behold, he that keepeth Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
- ⁵ The Lord himself is thy keeper:
He is thy defence upon thy right hand;
- ⁶ So that the sun shall not burn thee by day,
neither the moon by night.
- ⁷ The Lord shall preserve thee from evil:
Yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
- ⁸ The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in
from this time forth, and even for evermore.

-Ps. 121

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People, standing

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Sending Of The Eucharistic Visitor (When Needed)

In the name of this parish family, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts. Together we share in the body and blood of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body because we share one heavenly feast.

Closing Hymn (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

Hymnal, #707

Take My Life, and Let it Be

at 9:00: verses 1 is sung before the homily; verse 2 after.

The Homily (9:00 a.m.)

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Marc Handley Andrus

The people are seated.

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Herzlich tut mich verlangen, BWV 727

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

My Heart is Filled with Longing

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Announcements at St. Mary the Virgin

Welcome Visitors And Guests

March 17, 2024

Thank you for wrapping your prayer with ours today. We welcome all that seek the Holy. St. Mary's prays, celebrates, and serves our community and our neighbors as we strive to live as the body of Christ in the world. Check out the announcements at the back of the service bulletin for more ways to connect with us or email office@smvsf.org and we will stay in touch with you. We look forward to traveling this journey of faith with you.

Bishop Marc Andrus Visits St. Mary's Today, Sunday, March 17

Bishop Marc Andrus will be joining us for worship today, Sunday, March 17, at the 8:00, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m. services. The Ven. Cn. Nina Pickerrell, Archdeacon of the diocese, will be with us as well. This will be his final formal visitation with us before he retires in July and we hope you will join us for this celebratory event. We will celebrate Bp. Marc and his wife, Dr. Sheila Andrus, at a reception with delicious treats between the services. Please join us as we thank Bp. Marc for his 17+ years of faithful leadership of this diocese.

St. Mary's Young Professionals Happy Hour Monday, March 18

Come join us for a fun-filled evening at Perry's on Union St in Cow Hollow (1944 Union St.) from 6-8 p.m. with fellow young professionals from St. Mary's.

Whether you're new to the church or a long-time parishioner, this happy hour is the perfect opportunity to expand your network and make new friends. Take a break from your busy schedule and join us for a memorable night of laughter and camaraderie. We look forward to seeing

you at St. Mary's Young Professionals Happy Hour at Perry's on Union!

A Hopeful Holy Land Pilgrimage, April/May 2025 Forum w/Rev. David Sunday, April 7

Visiting the Holy Land is an exciting and formative experience for Christians. It allows scripture to come alive and invites an unparalleled opportunity of understanding of the Hebrew Scriptures and Christ's time on Earth.

Rev. David Erickson will, hopefully, be leading a St. Mary's pilgrimage to the Holy Land April 21-May 2, 2025. Please join him on April 7 at 10:15 a.m. to learn more about this wonderful opportunity, including the fully refundable deposit!

Please contact our pilgrimage coordinator, Max Kirby, at pilgrimage@smvsf.org, with any questions, and please join us on April 7.

Sunday School Update

Today is the last day of Sunday school until after Easter (no classes on Palm Sunday or Easter) so of course we'll be delving into Holy Week stories and doing crafty items to reinforce those themes. But Sunday is March 17, so a little St. Patrick lore will sneak in, too.

The Very Rev. Eric Metoyer Joins Us as a Sabbatical Priest

We are incredibly excited to announce that the Very Rev. Eric Metoyer will be serving as a part time sabbatical priest while Rev. David is away. Eric will be with us two days a week, Tuesdays and Sundays, primarily focusing on Sunday worship. Eric has a long and loving history with St. Mary's and it is a delight to have him serve alongside us.

The Very Rev. Eric Metoyer is currently a regional dean on behalf of the Episcopal Bishop of California, focusing on congregation and community issues. In addition, he serves as a deputy to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church (four terms) and is a member of the Advisory Group on Church Planting and Redevelopment for The Episcopal Church. Rev Metoyer is a featured speaker on Church Planting, Multi-Cultural and Ecumenical Relations in The Episcopal Church, and has also served as interim vicar and rector of parishes in the Diocese of California. His family joined St Mary's in 1993 and he was ordained from this parish.

Rev. Metoyer was raised in the NorthEast Kingdom of Vermont, attending schools

and college in New England. He moved to San Francisco in 1990 for love and also to begin his career in corporate accounting. Many years later, he answered a call to ministry in the Episcopal Church, being ordained to Holy Orders in 2011. He is a member of the Union of Black Episcopalians, the Sovereign Order of St John of Jerusalem, Knights Hospitaller. He is a member of several nonprofit boards, including Episcopal Community Services, Cathedral School for Boys and Book Club of California. He is married to Jessica Metoyer, JD, and they have a son, former SMV chorister Victor Metoyer IV, USMCR. He looks forward to returning to St Mary the Virgin!

Monday Night Lenten Series:

Telling Stories

Continues through Lenten Season

Humans are story-telling creatures. Stories are how we make sense of our lives and our world. While the Bible is a collection of stories of how God has moved in the world in the past, we also believe that God is active in our lives and in the world. This Lent, join us in the Great Hall on Mondays from February 26th through March 18th from 6:00-8 p.m. to experience spiritual stories from St. Mary's parishioners and clergy and hear what difference a relationship with God has made in their lives. A light supper of soup and bread will be served from 6-6:30, and the programming will begin at 6:30 p.m. For any questions or interest in helping set-up or clean-up, please contact Rev'd Kira (kira@smvsf.org).

Parish Retreat Registration Now Open!

Registration is now open for St. Mary's annual parish retreat scheduled for May 17-19th, 2024 at the Bishop's Ranch in Healdsburg, CA! This much-loved tradition is a time for parishioners of all ages, from all services, to come together and enjoy fun and fellowship. Engage in hiking, eating, swimming in the saltwater pool, worshipping in the Ranch's lovely historic chapel, dropping into quiet contemplation, exploring the town of Healdsburg, doing crafts, playing games, s'mores by the campfire, and yes, some fellowship and community! If cost is a deterrent, please contact Rev'd Kira (kira@smvsf.org) as scholarships are available. Register at smvsf.org/blog/retreat-2024

The Bishop's Ranch Tournament

You have the opportunity to help St. Mary the Virgin save 75% on their next visit to The Bishop's Ranch by becoming a sustaining member for only \$25/month! Join the Ranch's Annual Fund 2024 - Connecting through Beauty and Rest - and help both organizations. The first group to have 40 wins "The Bishop's Ranch Tournament". The tournament ends at midnight on March 31. To become a sustaining member please visit bishopsranch.org/donate-bishopsranchtournament

Spread the Love this Lent! Share Your Church Experience on Yelp and Google!

As we journey through the season of Lent, take a moment to reflect on the blessings we've received from being a part of St. Mary's. Your positive experiences and

heartfelt moments at our church could inspire others to join our loving community and find solace in their spiritual journey.

This Lent, we invite you to spread the love by writing a 5-star review on Yelp and Google. Your kind words could be the beacon guiding someone in search of a welcoming sanctuary. Whether it's the uplifting sermons, the supportive community, or the sense of belonging you've found, your review could make a world of difference to someone seeking spiritual fulfillment.

Let's come together as a community and shine a light on the positivity and joy St. Mary's brings to people's lives. Together, let's make this Lenten season a time of sharing, love, and encouragement. Write your review today and help us spread the message of hope and faith!

Easter Flower Donations

Due Monday, March 25

Please help contribute toward decorating our Easter services in honor of Christ's resurrection. Your donation made toward the cost of our Easter flowers may be made in honor or in memory of someone dear to you. Please complete the form found on our website and list who the flowers are in honor or memory of in the note section.

Mail your check to St. Mary's, or donate online at secure.myvanco.com/L-Z9N1/campaign/C-14HFW

Please make checks payable to The Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin

with a note indicating the donation is for Easter Flowers. Contributions received after March 25, will be accepted, but unfortunately will not appear in the Easter Sunday program.

St. Mary Magdalene Scholarship 2024-2025

Applications Due April 1

The St. Mary Magdalene Scholarship Fund was created by a generous bequest of a long-time parishioner of St. Mary the Virgin. This gift funds undergraduate college scholarships for young women in our parish attending college during the 2024-2025 academic year.

More information and 2 application forms are available on the Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin's website under the Formation tab. One form is for new applicants and there is a different form for previous applicants who received scholarships last year. Applications are due by April 1, 2024. Please contact Ruth Tatum at ruth.tatum@gmail.com with questions.

Youth Mission Trip to Eureka

This year's Youth Mission Trip will be to Northern California, visiting the city of Eureka and it's neighboring towns. We will serve with local organizations working to address rural poverty, seeing and serving God's children in whatever ways we are needed. Plus we will have lots of fun: beaches, hikes, redwoods, and river rafting!

Who: current 8th graders - 12th graders
(invite friends: they are always welcome!)

Dates: June 17-25, 2024

Cost: \$600/person

If you would like to go, please fill out this Google Form found on our website at smvsf.org.

Have a Heart for Gubbio

For the second year, the Sunday school's annual Lenten Outreach Project will benefit the Gubbio Project in the Mission District, and with Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day both occurring on February 14th, we invite you to pick a Valentine, signed and decorated by a Sunday school student, from the Have a Heart for Gubbio Garland in the narthex during Lent.

Just this past Advent, St. Mary's provided dozens of warm jackets and stacks of cozy blankets for the unhoused men, women, and children who find respite and support at Gubbio. With spring coming, their pressing need is for basic supplies like socks, hygiene, supplies, underwear, soup and peanut butter. Each Valentine includes a request for an item or two from the list above. Throughout the weeks of Lent, we'll have a heart-festooned collection basket in the narthex where you can drop off items.

Thank you in advance for "having a heart for Gubbio" and the unhoused population of our city!

Register for Episcopal Summer Camps at Bishops Ranch and St. Dorothy's Rest

Registration is now open for Episcopal Summer Camps at Bishop's Ranch and St. Dorothy's. To register please visit bishopsranch.org/events/camps and stdorothysrest.org/camp

Youth Group Update

Youth Group will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day on Sunday from 6-8 in the Great Room. All 6th-12th graders are welcome to join us for food, games, discussion, and fun!

Ongoing Weekly Offerings

***Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel**

Please join us Tuesdays at 10 a.m. in the Chapel for a time to time to breathe, center yourself, and feel God's presence while silently being one in community. For those unfamiliar with Centering Prayer, our time will include a Breathing Meditation, 15-20 minutes of silent prayer, followed by an opportunity for prayer requests and thanksgivings, and close with the Lord's Prayer. Those who wish may remain for a time of sharing. Please feel free to contact Debbie Veatch at veatchdl@gmail.com or 415-244-3515 with any questions.

***Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Library**

Join Rev'd Kira in the library on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. as we look at the scriptures that we'll hear in church the following Sunday. Gain a new appreciation for the Bible and get more out of Sunday's sermons as we learn together. BYOBible, though we will have extras! Contact Rev'd

Kira (kira@smvsf.org) with any questions.

***Sundays at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

There will not be a 5:00 p.m. service today due to the St. John's Passion performance.

Join us for "The 5PM", a creative, casual worship service.

Immerse yourself in an atmosphere of inspiration and collaboration. From interactive discussions to creative liturgy, "The 5 PM" encourages open conversations and unique forms of worship expression.

No need to dress up – come as you are!

We Pray For...

PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES and FRIENDS

Natasha Riveron
Margaret Rafferty
Theresa Burke
Dan Herling
Randy
Judith Audley
Giancarlo
Petr Obbard
Katherine
Elaine Sims

IN DISCERNMENT

Michael Stafford

RECENTLY DECEASED

Marsha Maytum
Vicki Haggin
Alekssei Navalny
Alice Watts
Jared Ede
Fred Martin
Renate Mori
Florence Fowler

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Please remember these individuals who have ongoing concerns in your personal prayers this week.

Deborah
Gordon Bellis
June
Kevin Teeney
The Community at the Heritage & St. Francis
Jane
Quinn Charles Fay
Erich
Simon
Phyllis Shepherd
Shirlee Martin
Francis Kalani
Will Driscoll
The Crossley Family
Kevin Fisher Paulson
David Schade
Jeanne Lacy
Gloria & Everett Powell
Bill
Dani May
Sarah Ellwein
Yuming Kuo
Valerie Schneider

St. Mary's Holy Week & Easter Day Schedule 2024

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24, 2024

Holy Eucharist at 8:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Holy Week begins with the blessing of the palms and the triumphant entry into Jerusalem followed by the solemnity in scripture and music foreshadowing the week ahead.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, March 28, 2024

6:00 p.m. (begins in Great Room)

A light meal interspersed with scripture in the Great Room begins a solemn service that commemorates the institution of the Eucharist and servanthood.

Good Friday

Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday

Friday, March 29, 2024

12:00 noon

Honor the mystery of Jesus' death and love for the world with the solemn liturgy of the day and the veneration of the cross.

Adams: Stabat Mater

Friday, March 29, 2024

7:00 p.m.

Ellen Leslie, soprano, premieres this new work as prayerful meditation on the most solemn day of the liturgical year. This work is part of the Candlelight Concert series and is sponsored by the Elizabeth Gillespie Women in Music Fund.

Great Vigil of Easter

Saturday, March 30, 2024

7:30 p.m. (Hellman Hollow Picnic Area)

Join us for the first service of Easter and one of the oldest liturgies of the church outside as we light the new fire of Easter, recount salvation history through Scripture, baptize new members of the church, and celebrate Eucharist. After the service, we will break our Lenten fast with s'mores and festive beverages! Bring a chair and flashlight.

Easter Day

Sunday, March 31, 2024

Festive Choral Eucharist

8:00, 9:30, and 11:15 a.m.

Festive Choral Eucharist celebrating Christ's resurrection and a special late afternoon Easter Evening Eucharist.

Easter Evening Eucharist

5:00 p.m.

Thank you for Joining Us at St. Mary the Virgin



To visit our website you may visit smvsf.org,
or you can open your camera app on your phone
and hover over the QR code shown below.



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