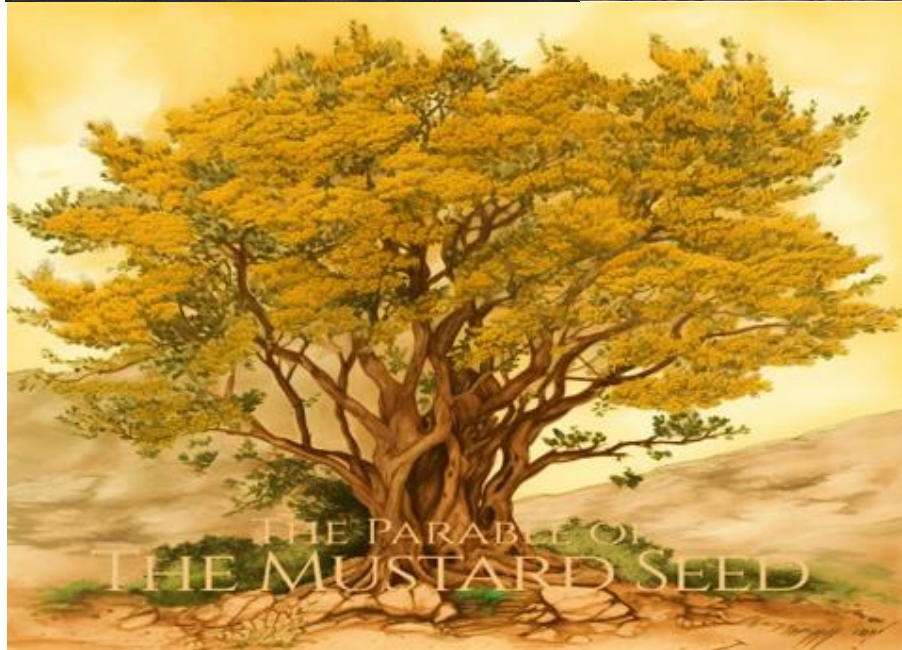




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St. Mary's, Shelter Island

Welcome!

Opening Hymn:

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
Kingdom, both now and forever. Amen

And Blessed be God's

The Collect for Purity – Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament 1 Kings 3:5-12

A reading from the First Book of Kings: At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward

you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today.

And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you." The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

The Psalm Psalm 119:129-136

**129 Your decrees are wonderful; *
therefore I obey them with all my heart.**

**130 When your word goes forth it gives light; *
it gives understanding to the simple.**

**131 I open my mouth and pant; *
I long for your commandments.**

**132 Turn to me in mercy, *
as you always do to those who love your Name.**

**133 Steady my footsteps in your word; *
let no iniquity have dominion over me.**

**134 Rescue me from those who oppress me, *
and I will keep your commandments.**

**135 Let your countenance shine upon your servant *
and teach me your statutes.**

**136 My eyes shed streams of tears, *
because people do not keep your law.**

The Epistle Romans 8:26-39

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans: The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Gospel Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

**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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.

Prayers of the People

The ministry entrusted to us, the Church, is to pray for everyone and all, that they may discover the treasure of faith. Let us say: *R/ Lord, hear your people..*

- For the Church, especially for Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean our Presiding Bishop; Lawrence, Geralyn, and William our Bishops, Adam our Bishop-elect, all the people and parishes of the Diocese of Long Island, and for Charles our Priest.

This week the Diocese prays for Calvary & St. Cyprian's, Brooklyn, Christ Church, Bay Ridge; Christ Church, Cobble Hill, for all of these let us pray:

R/ Lord, hear your people

— For all Christians, that they may hold dear their faith and their life in Christ and keep living up to their convictions, let us pray to the Lord:

R/ Lord, hear your people.

— For people everywhere, that they may open their eyes and their hearts to the Good News of Jesus Christ, let us pray:

R/ Lord, hear your people.

— For the leaders of nations, that as they work for prosperity and progress they may not lose sight of what is essential, that is: people, and the deepest human values, let us pray:

R/ Lord, hear your people.

— For those who are rich in possessions and talents, that they may put their gifts and goods at the service of people, let us pray:

R/ Lord, hear your people.

– For the sick and the poor among us, that they may discover in the loving care of people something of the goodness of God himself, let us pray

R/ Lord, hear your people.

– For our young people, that their parents and the Church may hand on to them their living faith and the spirit to serve God and people well, let us pray:

R/ Lord, hear your people.

I invite you to share any names, or intentions you may have, or prayer, with the worshipping community gathered here today pause : let us pray:

R/ Lord, hear your people.

.Priest: Lord God, our Father,
our heart remains restless
until it has discovered the peace you offer us in your Son Jesus Christ.
Help us to put our trust and joy
not in brittle, perishable things
but in your Son, his Good News
and the kingdom he came to build among us.
Make us poor and receptive,
give each of us an attentive and wise heart
that keeps seeking until we have found you
in Jesus and in people,
and love you and rest in you.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/ *Amen.*

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

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.**

The Peace of the Lord be with you always **And also with you**

Hymn for the Preparation of the Table and Gifts

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

Eucharistic Prayer 3 *The Episcopal Church USA's Enriching Our Worship 1 (EOW1)*

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy: *Presider and People*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine,aid the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Mary, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN!

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,
All: **Our Father...**

The Fraction Anthem *Agnus Dei*

Jesus Lamb of God have mercy on us

Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us

Jesus Redeemer, Redeemer of the world, Give us your peace, Give us your peace

The gifts of God for the People of God, take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith

Communion

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.**

Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen

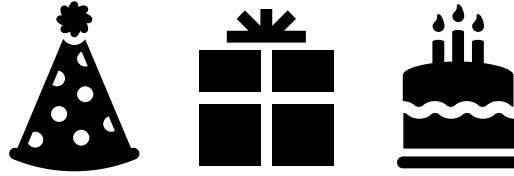
The Blessing EOW1 May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Closing Hymn

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

Thanks be to God





Birthdays

July 7 Alan Shaw, David Gurney,
July 18 Scott Thompson,
July 24 Judith Brandenstein,

July 16 Carolyn Fisher,
July 19 John Brownlie,
July 30 Betianne Morritt,



Pray for the Healing & Support:

We continue to pray for Judy Hoffman who has been diagnosed with advanced abdominal cancer. We also pray for Bill Ferris' brother-in-law, John G. Bacon, who has been Diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. For the continuing recovery of Mary Ann Blados, Andy Visconti, Margaret MacLean, Joanne Calabro, Joe Canning, John Stadenraus, Walter Brigham, Steve Giannitelli, Betianne Morritt, Mark Capellino's Parents, Cindy Belt's mother, Lois Corbett, Barbara Brigham for continued recovery , for Bob Fisher, Sharon Gibbs, Barbara Allen Lieblein, Kathryn James, Peter Gulluscio, Bob and Virginia Springsteen, Ethan Pae, Valerie Capon, Louie Cicero, Linda Armbruster, Andrew Kuhn, Sr. Joy Wright We pray for, Ukraine, the Sudan, Syria and the countries of the Middle East for peace and for safety. For all those in the midst of war or natural disasters. For all those suffering from extreme weather in our country this week..

We pray for peace and the end of divisions in our own country For those grieving loved ones, especially those interred in our cemetery, for those who are ill, for all those who serve the sick, the needy and those in prison, for those who are anxious or fearful. For all our parishioners living with cancer, known or undetected & for all live with addictions, for those who participate in a 12 step group here at St. Mary, and those who have visited our Prayer Wall. Email any requests or corrections to FrMcCarron@aol.com

