

# All Saints' Anglican Church



*Come Unto Me All Ye That Travail and Are Heavy Laden,  
And I will Refresh You*

## Third Sunday after Easter

*Commemorating St. Anselm, Bishop, Confessor, & Doctor*

**April 21, 2024**

**10:30 a.m.**

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## Holy Communion

### *Celebrant*

The Rev. Fr. George F. Alexander, Rector

The Rev. Dcn. C. Lance Davis, Assistant

### *Choir*

Dr. Anthony Harris, Cantor

Larry Byers, Christopher Roberts, Dominique Corbett,

David Nunnelly, Noah Bartel

### *Usher*

Don Michelinie

### *Lector*

Chris Roberts

### *Altar Guild:*

Dominique Corbett & Betty Alexander

### *Acolytes:*

Alan Wingard, Carl Bottomley, Mitchell Collins,

David Nunnelly, Bob Sukovich

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### Welcome to All Saints'

We welcome our visitors and guests, and we also ask our visitors to please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. If you are not familiar with our liturgical form of worship, please note the **red Mass Books**, located in each pew, which will help to guide you through the service. All Saints' Anglican Church, founded in 1977, is a parish of the Anglican Catholic Church: Anglican because our practice of the faith is rooted in the tradition of the Church of England, and Catholic because we believe and practice the faith as once delivered by Jesus Christ to the Apostles.

[If you are a visitor and a communicant in your own church, you may receive communion in accordance with the Confession found on page 75 of the Book of Common Prayer and begins, "Ye who do truly and earnestly repent..." Please join us at the Altar. Children may be brought to the Altar for a blessing and you may also come to the Altar for a blessing if you prefer.]

## The Order for The Administration of the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion

*(from the 1928 Book of Common Prayer, with supplemental material from the American Missal)*

### Prelude

### Opening Prayer

### Processional Hymn *(stand)*

Hymn: *See Hymn Board*

### Collect for Purity *(kneel or sit)*

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#### *Introit*

O BE joyful in God, all ye lands, alleluia; sing ye praises to the honour of his Name, alleluia: make his praise to be exceeding glorious, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Psalm 66.* Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works, O Lord: through the greatness of thy power . *V.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; *As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.*

### Summary of the Law

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### Kyrie *(Hymn 702)*

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### Collect(s) of the Day

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#### *Additional Collects*

GRANT, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we thy servants may rejoice in continual health of mind and body: and that by the intercession of blessed Mary ever Virgin we may be delivered from this present heaviness, and have the fruition of eternal joy,

WE beseech thee, O Lord, favourably to receive the prayers of thy Church: that all adversity and error being done away, she may serve thee in untroubled freedom. Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

### The Epistle *(sit)*

1 St. Peter ii: 19

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#### *Gradual*

Missal

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* The Lord hath sent redemption: unto his people. Alleluia. Ought not Christ to have suffered these things: and to have entered into his glory.

**The Holy Gospel** *(stand)* St. John xvi. 16 p. 173

**The Nicene Creed** *(stand)* p. 71

**Sermon Hymn** *(stand)* **Hymn: See Hymn Board**

**Sermon** Dcn. Davis

**Offertory** Missal

Praise the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God, alleluia.

**Offertory Hymn** *(stand)* *Doxology* Hymn 139

**Presentation of the Flag** *(4th Verse)* Hymn 141

### Statement of Intentions

**Priest:** Pray brethren that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable unto God the Father Almighty.

**Congregation:** *May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands to the praise and glory of His Name, to our benefit, and that of all His Holy Church.*

**Prayer for the Whole Church** *(kneel or sit)* p. 74

**Invitation and General Confession** p. 75

**Absolution** p. 76

**Comfortable Words** p. 76

**Sursum Corda** p. 79

**Proper Preface** *(Of Easter)* p. 77

**Sanctus** p. 79

**Benedictus:** *Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.*

**PRAYER OF CONSECRATION** *(kneel or sit)* p. 80

**Lord's Prayer** p. 82

**Agnus Dei** Hymn 706

**Prayer of Humble Access** p. 82

### Administration of the Holy Communion

**Priest:** Behold the Lamb of God, Behold Him That takest away the sins of the world.

**All:** *Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldst Come under my roof, but speak the word only*

**Note on Receiving Communion** — You may receive the Host only, or both Host & Wine, as you desire. To receive the Sacrament by Intinction, please receive the Host in your hands. The priest will pick it up and dip it in the wine. Stick out your tongue, so the Host can be placed on it without the priest touching your lips. Avoid any other motions to prevent spills. If you receive only the host, cross your arms afterward to indicate "no wine" and wait until those to your left are ready to leave. You may also come to the Altar for a blessing only. It is okay to stand at the Altar Rail if you are unable to kneel.]

**Hymn** *(kneel or sit)* **Hymn: See Hymn Board**

### Communion Verse.

A little while and ye shall not see me, alleluia: and again, a little while and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father, alleluia, alleluia.

**Post Communion Thanksgiving** *(kneel or sit)* p. 83

**Gloria in excelsis** *(stand)* *(Hymn 739)* p. 84

**Post Communion Collect(s)** *(kneel)* Missal

WE beseech thee, O Lord: that this Sacrament which we have received may both strengthen our bodies and quicken our souls. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who with thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

GRANT O Lord: that we who have received these aids to our salvation, may be always and everywhere protected by the intercession of blessed Mary, in whose honour we have made these offerings to thy divine majesty.

GRANT, we beseech thee, O Lord our God: that we whom thou hast made partakers of heavenly gladness, may by thee be defended from all earthly perils Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

### The Dismissal

*(kneel)*

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** *And with thy spirit.*

**Priest:** Depart in peace.

**All:** *Thanks be to God.*

**The Blessing** *(kneel)* p. 84

**Processional Hymn** *(stand)* **Hymn: See Hymn Board**

### Postlude

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## Parish Intercessions

**Birthdays: Ken Connor, Marion Terrell, Michelle Rabon**

***Those who are ill or have special needs:***

<b>Parishioners</b>	<b>Family</b>		
Carl Bottomley	Kathryn DiPietro	Allie Bush	Raylene Hendrix
Sharon Riordan	John Dowdy	Sukie Low	Janet Reed
Judi Storey	Mike Cope	Laura Cupp	Lindsey Sargent
Trina Crocker	Kevin Foley		Catherine Connor
Pixie Keating	Ann-Ray Crocker	<b>Friends</b>	Chuck Buck
David Merriam	Everett Rabon	Scott Hayes	Laura Greco
Tamara Cannon	John Eubanks	Andy Cappolla	Cecil Raborn
Patricia Sharp	Keating-Rottier Family	Pat Brady	Beverly Thompson
Paul Sharp	Julia Alexander	Penney Powell	Jacob Huff
David Twigg	Maks Chirich	Jessica Gagnon	Art Kenner
Carol Twigg	Beverly Dodd	Lauren Rise Bennett	Jack Wetzell
Sylvia Riggan	Ida Williams	George Brown	
Marian Sortore	Jody Wheeler	Carolyn Knehans	<b>Clergy</b>
Bob Holladay	Carol Roberts	Betty Adair	Garrett Clanton, Pr.
Dot Holladay	Clayton Gordon	Mark Capley	Jean Bien-aime, Pr.
Donna Burns	Tom Delk	Floyd Seay	
Amy Connor	Ben Newman	Kathy McFarland	
Linzee Whittaker	Jack Cannon	Michael Meyer	
Pat Franca	Shannon Marshall	Jeremiah Slinde	
Harry Long	Phoenix Cain	Nichols Family	
Onesta Hodges	Mindy Cain	Blankenship Family	
	Ellie	Curry Family	
		Lou Montani	

***For All the Faithful Departed***

*Especially our Parish Family, Friends, & all who are laid to rest in our church graveyard.*

***Please pray for the people of Ukraine in their struggle against oppression:***

*Especially Ruslana Tsvilii, Valery Vovchinskaya, & Ludmila Vovchinskaya.*

**Let us also pray for Israel in their struggle against terrorism.**

***Those serving in the Armed Forces:***

*Joshua Connor, Jordan Houde, & Stephen Rabon;*

*those members of our Diocese, Province, sister Provinces; and all ACC Chaplains.*

***& Those serving in the U.S. Border Patrol:***

*Ryan Drake*

***Parishes, Missions, & Clergy of the ACC & Our Several Jurisdictions:***

*Especially, Garrett Clanton, Pr., Lawrence Wells, Pr., Eugene Rosenkranz, Pr., Richmond Bridge, Pr., & Jean Bien-ami, Pr.*

## Announcements

### Synod Reminder

Reminder that All Saints' is hosting the **Annual Diocesan Synod** April 23rd to the 26th. Delegates from parishes in the **Diocese of the South** will begin arriving the 23rd. The formal **Synod** meeting will be on the 25th, extending to the 26th, if necessary. Please do note that there will be no Communion service the afternoon of Wednesday the 24th but Parishioners are welcome to attend the Synod services, which are listed in the Sunday bulletins. Parishioners may attend the Thursday meetings of the Synod as observers but may not participate or have any of the food provided (except coffee). If you are interested in being an observer, please let Fr. Alexander or Dcn. Davis know as soon as possible, so arrangement can be made.

### ACW Luncheon for May

In May, the ACW Lunch will be on the second Tuesday, May 14th, at 11:30 am at Anshu Asian Cafe. Contact Clare Michelinie if you plan to attend.

### Men of All Saints' May Meeting

Please note that the May meeting of the Men of All Saints' will be on the last Monday, the 27th, at 6:00 om in the Parish Hall. The meeting features another cookoff between the rector and the deacon, this time an Italian flavor.

### Rector's Vacation

Please note that Fr. Alexander and Betty will be away for a vacation April 30th thru May 23rd. He will remain in contact with the church, mainly through Kathy Clark, Administrative Assistant. Dcn. Davis will be available if needed and will officiate at the weekday services..

### Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed

The **honored duty** of providing Coffee Hour has fallen to just a few, and relief is needed. Coffee Hour doesn't have to be involved, or very elaborate. It's not a weekly commitment. Often two or more will team up for a particular Sunday. Please consider being part of the **Honored Coffee Hour Team**. If interested, please contact **Lena Whittaker**.

### Altar Flowers

As a result of having to change vendors for our Altar Flowers, the cost will be increasing but the arrangements should last longer, offsetting the increased cost. There is a **Flower Chart** is on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall for those who would like to dedicate flowers for family or friends, special occasions, or in memory of loved ones.

***ACTS Food Donation for April: Cereal, Oatmeal, or Grits***

***Join us for Coffee Hour following today's Service!***

## Saint of the Week

### *St. Anselm, Bishop, Confessor, & Doctor (1033 - 1109)*

Anselm, who was to become known as the *Father of Scholasticism*, and served as *Archbishop of Canterbury*, was born in Aosta, Italy, about 1033. His parents were wealthy and had ties with nobility, his father an ascendant of the House of Candia, and his mother related to Otto of the House of Savoy.

At the age of 15, Anselm sought to enter a monastery but was refused when his father withheld his consent. Disappointed, he suffered for a time from an apparent psychosomatic illness. After recovering, he took up a carefree life. Following the death of his mother, he left home, at the age of 23, and crossed the Alps, wandering through Burgundy and France, finally arriving in Burgundy in 1059. There, at Avranches, a year later, he entered the abbey as a novice, submitting to the Rule of St. Benedict. He was 27 years-old. Three years later, Anselm was made prior of Bec, and under his leadership, Bec became a monastic school influential in philosophical and theological studies. In 1078, He was elected abbot. A year later, he was consecrated bishop by the bishop of Evreux because the archdiocese of Rouen, where Bec lay, was vacant.

While at Bec, Anselm began publishing his theological works, of which his best known is *Why God Became Man*. He also worked at maintaining the abbey's independence, and during these years, up until the death of Lanfranc, Archbishop of Canterbury, in 1089, Anselm had occasionally visited England to see the abbey's property there, as well as to visit with Lanfranc. Upon Lanfranc's death, Anselm seemed the natural successor; however, there were many political complications that had to play out concerning William II of England and his intrigues, both at home and abroad.

Finally, Anselm was consecrated Archbishop of Canterbury on December 4, 1093. But it was a tumultuous time for Anselm, and he was exiled twice as he stood up to William II, who tried to depose Anselm over the controversy of the authority of the Church, and who tried to seize Church property, as did his successor, Henry I, but Anselm prevailed in the end, despite attempts to depose him, as well as periods of exile.

It was not until the last two years as Archbishop of Canterbury that he was able to attend to the duties of his See.

His political astuteness and his theological acumen served Anselm well as Archbishop of Canterbury in his efforts to advance Church reform.

Anselm died during Holy Week, on April 21, 1109, and is buried in Canterbury Cathedral.

## Liturgically Speaking

### Apostolic Succession: Christ's Official Agents

Three weeks ago, on the First Sunday after Easter, we read for the Gospel a passage from the 20th chapter of St. John which describes the first appearance of Jesus to his disciples, and the authority he gave them:

*...as my Father hath sent me, even so I send you....he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: whosoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosoever sins ye retain, they are retained.*

We may boldly say that, from the beginning of the *Protestant Reformation*, this passage from St. John has been a source of misunderstanding, even to the point of misrepresenting the role of the Church in the salvation of mankind.

Even though the passage may be well-understood as Jesus giving to the Apostles their commission, indeed, the commission to and mission of the Church, the extent of that authority is unclear to many.

We read in St. John's Gospel that Jesus told the Apostles that, just as his Father had sent him into the world, so he was sending them. From *Catholic Christianity's* point of view, being the standpoint of *Christian Orthodoxy*, there is no doubt that he was giving them the requisite authority, as well.

If we are to comprehend the fullness of the commission and the authority given to the Apostles and, thusly, to the Church through their successors, we must first understand what an *Apostle* is.

*Apostle* comes from a Greek word: *Apostolos*. The closest to its meaning in the English language is agent. But that meaning falls short of the Greek connotation.

*Apostolos* is derived from *Apostolein*, or one who is sent. But this one who is sent, this agent, in the Greek connotation, has all the power and authority of the person who sends him, or who he is representing. He is as if he were that person.

Perhaps the closest in our time is someone who has full power of attorney.

Thus, the **Apostles** were the commissioned leaders of the Church: they ran its affairs and authorized its successors. They were the official agents of Christ, and,

as his agents, they stood in his stead. We often say they stood in the shoes of our Lord.

In the Church today, the bishop is the successor to the **Apostles**, and carries the full authority within the Church, that Christ gave to the Apostles themselves. This is the Apostolic Succession, through which the Church's authority flows.

Even as Christ gave the Sacraments to the Church, those Sacraments would be of little effect without his authority to administer them.

Outside of Catholic Christianity (or Orthodoxy), the Sacraments of the Church have taken on a different meaning, and have, for the most part, been reduced to symbolic actions. We see this throughout Protestantism, which has separated itself from the unbroken line of authority, and, thus, from the full power and intent of the Sacraments as given to the Church at its beginning.

Within the portion of the Church that has retained its **Apostolic Succession**, the power and efficacy of the **Sacraments** is retained, just as when Christ gave the **Apostles** their commission and authority.

As St. John reports, Jesus breathed on them, reminiscent of the story of creation in Genesis when God breathed life into his Creation. He gave them the **Holy Spirit**, though It would not be fully operative until **Pentecost**.

It was only 1400 years later that what was clearly understood would become muddied by reformers who, in their zeal, would attempt to strip away the authority of the Church in their effort to remove the corruption that they perceived; not to say that there were no evils requiring attention.

For the **Anglican Church**, the **Church Catholic**, there is no doubt as to the intention of Jesus recorded by St. John: the remaining **11 Apostles** were being commissioned by our Lord to be his agents, to stand in his stead, empowered to administer the **Sacraments of the Church**, to preach, teach, baptize, and to maintain moral discipline, as well as absolution.

We see clearly in the commissioning of the **Apostles** the establishment of an authorized ministry, for, indeed, if the Church were to continue, there must be authority, which for the Church is the **Divine Right** to fulfill the command and commission given to it by Jesus Christ and to pass that authority through a divinely appointed process — the **Laying-On of Hands**, each bishop to the next.

We see also the extent of their authority, the Church's authority, that when properly exercised, the discipline of the earthly Church would be ratified in Heaven.

But, what is meant by remitting and retaining sin?

It is **Absolution** or **Penance**, one of the **Seven Sacraments** of the Church. And there have been two schools of thought on this.

The first, from the Reformers' viewpoint, in particular: the power extended to the Church is ecclesiastical discipline, and the forgiveness is only a human forgiveness. For example, the Church only has the power to excommunicate a notorious sinner, and to restore a penitent to full communion.

The second, from the Catholic or Christian Orthodox viewpoint, in line with Anglican thinking: the power to remit and to retain sins is given to the **Apostolic** ministry to bestow forgiveness in the name of God, as well as the right to decide whether it was to be given or refused. This power is solemnly bestowed in ordination, and not presumptuously received.

God retains his power by ratifying in heaven this discipline of the earthly Church when rightly exercised.

One of the comforts of the Church is that, through its ministry, we can receive the assurance of God's Grace and Love, Absolution being just one expression of this assurance.

Through the outward and visible signs of this often misunderstood **Sacrament**, the confession of sins and the absolution given by the priest, we can enjoy the inward grace of God's forgiveness, if we are truly repentant, and we receive strength, even the power to overcome sin in the future.

Of course, there is more. **Apostolic Succession** assures the validity of the **Sacraments of the Church** for all ages, that assurance coming through the **Laying-On of Hands** in unbroken succession from our Lord through the **Apostles** and their designated successors, each bishop maintaining this succession through the centuries to this present time. Our bishop, **Archbp. Mark Haverland** is an example of the **Apostolic Succession** and through him, and his successors, the validity of the **Sacraments** are maintained in the **ACC**.

## *Schedule of Services*

### *This Week*

#### *Diocesan Synod— Tuesday thru Friday*

**Wednesday, April 24th. *Feria* — Morning Prayer & Chrismal Mass at 8:30 am.**

**Thursday, April 25th. *St. Mark, Evangelist & Martyr* — Morning Prayer & Synod Mass at 7:45 am. Evening Prayer at 4:30 pm.**

**Friday, April 26th. *Feria* — Morning Prayer & Synod Closing Mass at 8:30 am.**

**Parishioners are invited to attend any of the Synod Service.**

#### **Note**

If interested in attending the Synod Sessions on Thursday, please let Fr. Alexander or Dcn. Davis know so arrangements can be made. Observers may not have any of the meals provided for attendees, as those are paid for through Synod registration fees.

### *Next Week*

**Wednesday, May 1st. *Sts. Philip & James, Apostles & Martyrs* — Deacon's Mass at 5:30 pm.**

**Friday, May 3rd. *Invention of the Holy Cross* — Deacon's Mass at 5:30 pm.**

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