



E-News from the St. Mark's Pews Easter Edition - April 15, 2022

From the Rector



Dear Friends:

We are now in the middle of the Three Great Days—the most important time in the liturgical calendar. Today is Good Friday and we fix our attention on the cross, which T. S. Elliot called “The still point of the turning world.” I hope you can join us in person or online for the Solemn Liturgy at 12 noon.

Easter Day is the Queen of the Festivals, the day from which every other Sunday derives its pattern and form. We have been deprived of in-person worship on

Easter Day for two years, so I urge each of you to come. Yes: we are wearing masks to be safe, but there are no capacity limits. And there are also two services: 8:00 am and 10:30 am. The Eucharist will be celebrated using the Addison silver—a precious part of our heritage—and the church will be beautifully decorated with flowers and Easter lillies.

Which reminds me of something from seminary days. I was in my senior year at General Seminary in New York and early in the afternoon on Holy Saturday I walked over to Eighth Avenue to get some flowers which I could decorate my rooms with. I purchased some huge potted lilies and some potted hyacinths (my absolute favourite flower.) I arranged everything in a pleasing tableau and then left with my friend Chris to take the subway to church. We were both serving at the Great Vigil—he at St Thomas, Fifth Avenue and I at St Bartholomew's, Park Avenue. We met up again after church was done and went home. I opened my door and the room was filled with the very heavy perfume of Easter flowers (which I love.) “Ah!” I said breathing deeply with great joy, “the scent of the Risen Christ!” Every Easter since, Chris has called and asked me, “Do you have the scent of the Risen Christ at home?” And I always do. I will this year, too.

Maybe it's more appropriate to talk of the “spirit of the Risen Christ” but whatever it is, I pray that it will permeate your homes and lives this season and that, despite all of the problems of our Good Friday world, you will truly and deeply have the joy of Easter faith.

Grace and peace,

From the Wardens

Wishing you a Happy Easter!

Stay safe - keep well!

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Your Wardens

Good Friday and Easter Services

Friday, April 15 **Good Friday**
The Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
at 12 noon



Sunday, April 17 **Easter Day**
Holy Eucharist at 8:00 am
Sung Eucharist at 10:30 am

Please remember that wearing a mask at all times continues to be mandatory.



Easter Memorial Flowers

**The flowers and decorations
in the church are given to the
glory of God and in loving
memory and honour of:**

Ian and Dorothy Dingwall from James and Virginia Mainprize

Rev'd Peter Ford from Friends

Clive Jago from Faith Jago

Peter Wylie from Eve Wylie

Betty Magnacca from Allan Magnacca and family

Jack and Florence Bennett from Candace Bennett Walker

Douglas Rogers from Joy Rogers

Don and Brian MacDonald from Barbara MacDonald

Those in Ukraine from Nancy Bongard

Smith and Clarke families from Jennifer Smith

Enid & William Lees from Dorothy Lees

Barbara and Don Lees from Dorothy Lees

Mary Lees from Dorothy Lees

Percy Lees from Dorothy Lees

Freda and Arthur Masters from Beverley Lees

Elizabeth Masters from Beverley Lees

Fred Masters from Beverley Lees

Michael Howe from Marsha Howe
Sam Kingdon from Pat Kingdon
David Galloway from Gary Zanner
Kathleen (Chitty) Drope from Kathy and Tim Taylor
Mary and John Drope from Kathy and Tim Taylor
Sarah Drope from Kathy and Tim Taylor
Irene Whyte from Kathy and Tim Taylor
Mary and Crozier Taylor from Kathy and Tim Taylor
Marjorie and T. Desmond Earl from Christine Earl
Kelly James from Janet James
Jeanne and Douglas Egginton from Karen and Bill Ford
Marjorie and Gilbert Ford from Karen and Bill Ford
Dave and Jack Cantin from Willard and Anita Miller
Our beloved parents from Diane and Wesley Turner
George and Joy Ferris from Ashley and Tony Hayes
Patrick and Elsie Hayes from Ashley and Tony Hayes

Morning Prayer Services - Wednesday Mornings - 9:30 a.m.

You can join the weekly Morning Prayer Zoom service through the Zoom invite sent from Father Leighton.

Staying Up to Date!

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Weekly Prayers

In the parish cycle of prayer, we pray for Jean Lalonde, Pat Lamb, Rev'd Leighton Lee, Beverley Lees and Dorothy Lees and their families.

We pray for those shut in their homes, Fred Habermehl, Fred Dixon, Joy Ormsby, Selina Appleby, and Joan Draper.

In the Cycle of Prayer for the Niagara Diocese we pray for St. Paul's, Mount Forest; the Reverend Dr. Shirley Christian, Rector, and the people of that parish.

In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Algoma, and the congregations of the Southern Manitoba area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod, and Climate justice and healthy relationships with the earth.

We pray for the sick, especially remembering Jacquie White, Jean Baker, Jack Taylor, Margaret Stimson, Gillian MacKay, Terry, Jan Brown, Lisa, Dorothy Walker, Sharon, Dick, Bev Garrett, Jodey Porter, Sean, and Joshua.

PWRDF is [supporting Ukrainians forced to flee their homes](#) due to the Russian invasion. The initial grant of \$20,000 issued to an ACT Alliance appeal has



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been increased to \$50,000. The grants will fund the work of Action by Churches Together (ACT) member Hungarian Interchurch Aid (HIA).

As the war began on February 24, tens of thousands of Ukrainians fled for safety elsewhere in Ukraine or to

neighbouring countries. Yelena was one of hundreds of Ukrainians in line at a border crossing into Hungary, waiting with her three children while her husband is on the frontlines. She told ACT, "We heard that the Polish border is completely jammed, so we decided to cross the mountains and try to make it into Hungary. My sister is still on the way, I have no idea where she or my nieces are."

On February 27, HIA set up a 24-hour refugee support point on the Hungarian side of the border at Beregsurány, where the line of refugees trying to cross into Hungary is kilometres long, says an ACT communiqué. HIA is providing hot tea, sandwiches, refreshments, blankets and basic hygiene items for Ukrainians, including many elderly and children who are waiting long hours to cross the border into Hungary.

"We've been standing here at this border checkpoint for more than five hours," says Yelena. "It is cold and my children are freezing. It is amazing to see that people are here to help, and even just talking to you gives us hope for a better future."

This is a rapidly evolving situation, please monitor PWRDF's website and social media to stay up to date on new developments.

How you can help

To make a donation to this response online, [click here](#)

You may also donate by phone at 416-822-9083 or leave a voicemail toll-free at 1-866-308-7973 and PWRDF will return your call, or mail your cheque to PWRDF, 80 Hayden, 3rd floor, Toronto, Ontario, M4Y 3G2. Please mark Ukraine in the memo field.

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