

April 8/9, 2017

**St. Mark's Anglican Church
"The Friendly Church"**

**The crowds that went
ahead of him and that
followed were shouting,**

Hosanna

**Blessed is the one who
comes in the name of the
Lord! Hosanna in the
highest heaven!**

**St. Mark's Church – St. John's, Newfoundland
April 8/9, 2017**

*Today's bulletin is given
to the glory of God
in loving memory of our parents,
Roy & Phyllis Mercer and Reginald & Stella Martin,
from David & Regina Mercer*

SERVICES FOR THIS WEEKEND: April 8/9

Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS FOR THIS WEEKEND: April 8/9

Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Andrew Major
Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Carol Penney
Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Clarence Randell, Mary White

GIFT BEARERS FOR THIS SUNDAY: April 9

Eva Sparkes & Joyce King

AUDIO TECHNICIAN FOR THIS SUNDAY: April 9

Dennis Peters

USHERS FOR THIS SUNDAY: April 9

Team 2 – Captain: Harvey Young

HOSPITALITY TEAM FOR THIS SUNDAY: April 9

Yvonne Randell, Hazel & Max Baldwin, Patti MacPherson

SERVICES FOR NEXT WEEKEND: April 15/16

Saturday – 7:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist
Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS FOR NEXT WEEKEND: April 15/16

Saturday – 7:30 p.m. Effie Sheppard, Elizabeth Prince

Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Elizabeth Prince

Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Rick Cullen, Effie Sheppard

AUDIO TECHNICIAN FOR NEXT SUNDAY: April 16

Robin Peters

USHERS FOR GOOD FRIDAY: April 14

Team 3 – Captain: Ruby Kelly

USHERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: April 16

Team 4 – Captain: Ed Williams

HOSPITALITY TEAM FOR NEXT SUNDAY: April 16

Easter Day – No Tea/Coffee Hour

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 9

9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class

2:00 p.m. Yoga

Monday, April 10

7:00 p.m. C.L.B.

Tuesday, April 11

7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Senior Choir Practice to follow

Wednesday, April 12

10:00 a.m. ANC Moms & Tots

7:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Thursday, April 13

6:45 p.m. Confirmation Class

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship

9:00 p.m. Gethsemane Watch

Friday, April 14

9:30 a.m. Youth Service

12:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship

Saturday, April 15

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil

VESTRY MEETING

The next Vestry meeting will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12.

EASTER MEMORIALS

Again this year, for those wishing to give a memorial gift in honor of a family member or friend, or as an act of thanksgiving, we will offer a number of options.

FLOWERS: With Easter being the prime celebration of our church it is most appropriate to have a glorious display of flowers on this particular day. Contributions to the Flower Fund will be used by the Altar Guild to purchase the flowers that are used for the decorating of the church.

VIRGINIA PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE SUMMER BREAKFAST

PROGRAM: Once school is out for the summer, there are no school breakfast or lunch programs for the children of Virginia Park Elementary School. The summer breakfast program lessens the burden this causes for lower income families.

TECHNOLOGY FUND: Contributions to this fund will help us with upgrades to our audiovisual system and office equipment.

If you would like to contribute to either of the above please contact Tara at the church office (726-3213). You may also place your contributions and necessary information in an envelope and put it in the offering plate. Information must be submitted to the office by Monday, April 10.

ANNIVERSARY CHOIR

As part of our 40th Anniversary celebrations, St. Mark's Senior Choir wishes to extend an invitation to former choir members to join them in the preparation and singing of the anthem for the service on April 30th. Choir practices are on Tuesdays from 8:00-9:00 p.m., and the choir will begin the rehearsal with the anthem for that service. Please spread the word and contact Rosalind, Rhonda or any of the choir members for more information.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER BULLETINS

If you would like to donate one of our Holy Week/Easter bulletins in thanksgiving or in memory of a loved one, the following are available:

Maundy Thursday - \$30.00

Good Friday - \$30.00

Easter Vigil - \$30.00

BIBLE STUDY

The third Bible Study offered this year by The Rev. Dr. Alex Faseruk will be The Letter to the Ephesians. The theme of the epistle is summed up in the statement, *The Church is the Body of Christ*. The Bible Study will be held on three consecutive Fridays - April 28, May 5 and May 12, from 10:30 a.m. – noon.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

The next Confirmation class will take place at 6:45 p.m. on Thursday, April 13.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will closed on Good Friday (April 14), Easter Monday (April 17) and Tuesday (April 18). We will open again with our regular hours on Wednesday (April 19). In the event of an emergency during this time, please contact Rev. Robert (743-7804) or Father Mark (764-0172).

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The Passion with the Liturgy of the Palms

Saturday, April 8 at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 9 at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Today Jesus entered the Holy City of Jerusalem in triumph. His path was lined with palms and shouts of praise but lead to self-giving, suffering and death.

Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Walking around the church, we stop at fourteen stations to reflect upon various points of our Lord's Passion and death.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday worship

On the night before his death Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. Foot washing is done in the context of the Eucharist. The altar is stripped in preparation for Good Friday.

9:00 p.m. to midnight – Gethsemane Watch

Jesus said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

Good Friday

Friday, April 14, at 9:30 a.m. - Children's Liturgy

12 noon - The Celebration of the Lord's Passion

A time to remember the great price Jesus paid as he willingly stretched his arms on the cross for those he loved.

Easter Vigil

Saturday, April 15, at 7:30 p.m.

This is the first service of Easter and includes the Service of Light, the Renewal of Baptismal Vows (possibly a Baptism) and Holy Eucharist.

Easter Day

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Sunday, April 16 at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On Sunday, April 30, at 10:30 a.m. we will gather as one community of faith to celebrate 40 years of ministry and worship here at St. Mark the Evangelist. We will be joined by our Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Peddle, and our celebrant that day will be our first Rector, The Rev. Charles Hiscock. Both our choir and our Saturday band will lead us in music and singing. There will be a reception following worship and there is a signup sheet in the parish hall for anyone who would like to help out by bringing food or helping with setup or cleanup. Please note there will be no 5:00 p.m. Saturday or 8:30 a.m. Sunday worship that weekend.

PASTORAL CARE AT EASTERN HEALTH

Pastoral/Spiritual Care is available to all who enter an Eastern Health facility. To avail of this ministry of the church, upon admission, you (or your next of kin) will be asked if you would like to receive pastoral care. If you answer 'yes' and state your denomination you will be added to the list of patients to be visited by the chaplain and/or pastoral visitor. If you answer 'no' your choice will be respected and you will not receive a pastoral visit. Should you later change your mind please advise the nurse or the Pastoral Care office at 777-6959. Chaplains are bound by the Protection of Information Act. Chaplains can only advise your parish clergy of your admission with your consent.

For the past three years the Anglican, Roman Catholic, Salvation Army and United Church denominations have worked together to provide a First Call Chaplain for afterhours calls (5 p.m. – 7 a.m.) at the Health Sciences, Miller Centre, St. Clare's and Waterford Hospitals. The chaplain on call will respond and can make contact with the denominational chaplain if requested or needed. The denominational chaplain will continue to visit during regular daytime hours (7 a.m. – 5 p.m.).