

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

KYRIE ELEISON *All sit.*

“Messe Solennelle”, op. 16

Vierne

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy Spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON *All sit.*

1 Samuel 16:1-13

At the reading of the first lesson, children ages 3 to 9 (pre-K through 4th grade) are invited to gather at the entrance of the church to meet their teacher for Sunday School in the Parish House. Parents of children attending for the first time are asked to accompany them. The children will return before the end of worship.

The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23 *sung by choir and congregation.*

Tone VIII.1



Though I walk through the val - ley of the sha - dow of death, I shall fear



no e - vil; for you are with me.

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me* *Tone VIII.1*



- 1 *The LORD* is my shépherd; *
I / shall not bé in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pástures *
and leads me be/side still wáters.
- 3 He revives my sóul *
and guides me along right pathways / for his Náme's sake.
- 4a Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of déath,
I shall / fear no évil; *
- 4b for you are wíth me;
your rod and your / staff, they cómfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who tróuble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is / running óver.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all
the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the / LORD for éver. [Ant.]

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 645 *All stand.*

St. Columba

HOLY GOSPEL

John 9:1-41

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or

his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser

NICENE CREED *All stand and face the high altar.*

All **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, light of light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; through him all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe in one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *All sit or kneel.*

Deacon With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord, have mercy.”

Leader For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For our Bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For the aged and infirm, for the sick and the suffering, and for all those in any need or trouble, especially victims of war, those forced to flee their native countries because of persecution and violence, those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now in silence or aloud.

The People may add their own names in silence or aloud.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially Yessenia Sanchez, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People **To thee, O Lord our God.**

Celebrant Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

A period of silent reflection is kept.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the Glory of thy Name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

THE PEACE *All stand.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

All greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

The Ushers receive the collection from the congregation. We invite your offering for the support of the Church's mission in the world, and in thanksgiving for all that God has provided. To make a one-time or recurring gift online, please visit churchoftheincarnation.org/donate, text "Madison209" to 73256, or scan the QR code below. Thank you for your generosity.



ANTHEM

Benedictus from Service in D minor "Christ's Hospital"

RV Williams

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he hath visited and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us
in the house of his servant David,

As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets,
 which have been since the world began:
 That we should be saved from our enemies,
 and from the hands of all that hate us;
 To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers,
 and to remember his holy covenant;
 To perform the oath which he swore to our
 forefather Abraham,
 that he would give us,
 That we being delivered out of the hands of our
 enemies
 might serve him without fear,
 In holiness and righteousness before him,
 all the days of our life.
 And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the

Highest,
 for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord
 to prepare his ways;
 To give knowledge of salvation unto his people
 for the remission of their sins,
 Through the tender mercy of our God,
 whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited
 us;
 To give light to them that sit in darkness
 and in the shadow of death,
 and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
 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.

Emm Chinn, Nzingah Suggs, & Theodore Chinn, *Trebles*

The People stand as the Ushers present the Offering in silence.

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The musical notation consists of four staves. The first two staves are for the *Celebrant* and *People* respectively. The last two staves are for the *Celebrant* and *People* respectively. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord. Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God. It is meet and right so to do."

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS *sung by all*

The musical notation shows a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly,"

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ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who

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PRAYER OF CONSECRATION *All sit or kneel.*

Prayer Book, p. 341

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him... By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

All **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

AGNUS DEI *sung by all*

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Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy
 on us. Je - sus, bear - cr of our sins: Have mer - cy
 on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

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PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All **We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant 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 with thanksgiving.

The Holy Eucharist is the meal that has traditionally nourished the baptized in their life of faith. You may take the bread in your hands and then take a sip of wine from the chalice, guiding the chalice bearer's hand to bring the chalice to your lips. Or you may intinct (dip the wafer into the wine). If you wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion, simply fold your arms across your chest. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, fold your hands downward.

ANTHEM

Verleih uns Frieden

Mendelssohn

Verleih uns Frieden gnädiglich,
Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten.
Es ist doch ja kein andrer nicht,
der für uns könnte streiten,
denn du, unser Gott, alleine.

Mercifully grant us peace,
Lord God, in our times.
For there is no other
Who could fight for us
But you alone, our God.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us in these holy mysteries with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

BLESSING

Celebrant The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN 490 *All stand.*

Houston

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele ,Op. 122, No. 5

Brahms

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish House following the postlude. Visitors are invited to pick up a welcome bag at the back of the church.

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser, *Rector*
The Ven. Denise LaVetty, *Archdeacon*
The Rev. Canon George W. Brandt, *Honorary Assistant Priest*
The Rev. J. Gregory Morgan, *Honorary Assistant Priest*
Dr. Thomas M. Reefer, *Director of Music*
Wesley Chinn, *Assistant Director of Music*
Romy John Abraham, *Seminarian*
Dr. Uche Akwuba II, *Master of Ceremonies*
Oseloka Chira, *Head Usher*
John Robert Motato, *Sexton*
Robert Chipantiza and Emil Ramirez, *Assistant Sextons*

Linda Gossett, *Altar Guild*
Linda Gossett and Harris Healy, *Ushers*
Romy John Abraham and Patricia Smith, *Lay Readers and Chalice Bearers*
Caitie Bullitt, *Sunday School Teacher*
Maria Ju, *Door Greeter at the Parish House*
Anne Tong, *Coffee Hour Host*

Your prayers are requested for members and friends of the parish who are sick, sorrowful, or in any kind of trouble: Tom, Leonor, Harris, Veronica, Steven, Stacey, Ryan, Joan, Nadia, Padmini, Juliana, Jennifer, Marcey, Marika, Susan, Ruth, Stephanie, Lorelei, Brian, Bryce, Jaquelyn, Jane, Joseph, Josephine, the Shagdar Family, Ann, Julie, Jeanne, Patrick, Dianne, Dawn, Bartley, Mary, Natalia, Megan, Eduardo, Mike, Maria, Edwin, Henry, Gilberto, William, Peter, Granville, Andrew, Tom, Dee, Pamela, Corinne, Bill, Annette, Kathy, Carmela, Savannah Rose, Alair, Wendy, Deirdre, Donovan, Drew, Ellen, David, Jane, Lillian, Bruno, Tim, Augie, Ana, Sixto, Sandy, Lee, Sue, Kelly, Mary, Michael, Danielle, Doris, Michell, Susan, Pam, Heidi, Frank, Monica, Luis, James, Robert, Rick, Allen, Barbara, Leslie, Treasure, Marisa, Tom, Ana, John, Emily, Jake, Sam, Cooper, Laurie, Larry, Fredrick, Julian, Barbara, Butch, and the Russo/Maxwell Families.

To add a name to the prayer list, call the church or email the Rev. Adrian Dannhauser at adannhauser@churchoftheincarnation.org.

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If you wish to learn more about our parish community and/or receive our weekly e-minder with spiritual reflections, upcoming events, and church news, please fill out the yellow "Connect Card" in your pew and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

On the mind of Seminarian Romy John Abraham...

This past week, I traveled to New Jersey for a choir rehearsal, as usual, taking the train from NY Penn Station. The train experienced a 15-minute delay, which I used as an opportunity to pray. I had a small *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP) that I received from Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn during my summer clinical pastoral education in 2026, and I used it for the evening prayer. Afterward, I felt good and was able to sing more clearly and with more energy during our practice of **Bach's St. John Passion**. There is power in prayer, which you and I sometimes underestimate.

This past Sunday, during our study led by Anne on the *Celebration of Discipline*, we were discussing “prayer,” exploring “**Prayer as a learning process**.” I particularly love the concept of “**Prayer as relinquishment**,” which involves surrendering our own will and purifying ourselves to abide in God’s will.

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV): “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.”

Initially, giving up my own will was challenging. It took years to come to terms with God’s will because my mind has always been focused on plans, goals, and processes. Prayer helps me in discernment, as discernment is also about pursuing God’s will and being open to service. However, God desires for me—and for all of us—to follow Him and be His children on this journey of faith. This is what I call “**Great Faith**.” “Great” does not mean “big” in size; it signifies something very important, sacred, or deep. **Great Lent** revolves around three pillars: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

In this context, I am reminded to surrender my own will and to pursue prayer more diligently. **Prayer is a spiritual discipline**, as **Richard Foster** writes in *Celebration of Discipline*, the book we are meditating on during this Lenten journey. The more I pray, the less I dwell on uncertainties, especially in these times of chaos, confusion, conflict, and war. Prayer brings me serenity and helps me understand that God is certain and present with both the community and me.

Prayer strengthens me more than I can imagine. God hears every prayer, spoken or silent. What we need is patience, not panic. In our faith journey, replacing **panic** with **patience** makes all the difference.

Prayers fill me with positive energy. I sometimes experience this positive energy in communal prayer being transferred to me, and it has a profound impact on my spiritual life. My life is deeply rooted in community. Disciples and apostles prayed; **Jesus** himself prayed and gave us the Lord’s Prayer. Saint Paul encourages us to pray to be mindful and watchful, as seen in his Pastoral and profound letters in the New Testament.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NIV): “Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”

These book studies, Bible studies, services, and daily offices strengthen my faith and spirituality. So, friends in Christ, be prayerful and pray in whatever ways you feel connected to God. As long as you feel the presence of God with you, it is considered a prayer. Always pray for yourself and for others because God loves us all. **Amen!**

Romy

TODAY AFTER CHURCH

12:30 to 1:15 p.m. Come to the Assembly Hall to help make sandwiches that we’ll deliver to a nearby homeless drop-in center.

12:30 to 1:45 p.m. *Celebration of Discipline* Sunday Small Group meets in the Parish House Dining Room.

FAMILY FRIDAY: PAINTING THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 20, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The Stations of the Cross, also known as the “Way of the Cross,” depict fourteen scenes from the last events of Christ’s life. Children and parents are invited to the Assembly Hall “turned art studio” to create new Stations to display in the church. A pizza dinner will be provided.

We are eager to have children of all ages participate and paint a Station of their choice this Lent! If your family cannot attend, we are happy to provide art supplies for your child(ren) to create a Station in advance. Contact Amanda Bell at abell@churchoftheincarnation.org to RSVP or request art supplies.

NIGHTWATCH YOUTH EVENT

Friday, March 27, to Saturday, March 28, at the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, 107 Amsterdam Ave. Nightwatch is an evening spent in the world’s largest Gothic Cathedral immersed in a faith-based program to deepen your spiritual connection with God. This one-night pilgrimage is **for students aged 12-18**. Go to stjohndivine.org/spiritual-life/nightwatch to learn more about the program. Incarnation will help with the cost! Contact Amanda Bell with interest or questions.

See the back page of this booklet for a list of Holy Week and Easter services.

20s/30s GROUP – SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, April 12, 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. Young adults in their twenties and thirties are invited to gather in the new Parish House Conference Room for a time of fellowship and faith formation. Lunch will be provided. Details to come! Speak to Seminarian Romy John Abraham to learn more and RSVP.

EVERY WEEK AT INCARNATION

Sunday Bible Study: Bible Study is held in the Parish House from 10:00 to 10:40 a.m. *Please note that Bible Study is on hiatus during the season of Lent and will return April 12.*

Sunday School for Children: During the 11:00 a.m. service, children ages 3 to 9 (pre-K through 4th grade) depart the service with their teacher for Sunday School in the Parish House. Learn more about Family Ministries at Incarnation, including offerings for older children, on the church website.

Wednesday Holy Eucharist: Join us each Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. for this Rite I spoken service of Holy Eucharist, which includes a brief homily, organ music, and healing prayer with holy oil.

Thursday Candlelight Communion: Join us each Thursday at 6:15 p.m. for Candlelight Communion, a service of Holy Eucharist that incorporates chant and silence as well as elements of contemporary worship. This service is informal and contemplative, with music led by a cantor and a brief reflection by one of the clergy. You can also stream this service at youtube.com/churchoftheincarnation.

Daily Office: Services of Morning Prayer and Compline are held via Zoom. To view the weekly schedule, go to churchoftheincarnation.org/worship.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT INCARNATION

Palm Sunday, March 29

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Blessing of the Palms

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Blessing of the Palms, Palm Procession and Choral Passion

Spy Wednesday, April 1

12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist, remembering Judas' betrayal of Jesus

Maundy Thursday, April 2

6:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar

8:00 to 10:00 p.m. Prayer Vigil in the Chapel of the Nativity

Good Friday, April 3

12:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday

2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross Prayer Service

The church will remain open for meditation until 3:00 p.m.

Easter Eve, April 4

6:30 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday, April 5

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

11:00 a.m. Festal Eucharist with music for Organ, Brass and Choir

12:15 p.m. Coffee Hour and Easter Egg Hunt

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