

## Update from All Saints' Email to the Parish from The Venerable Christopher Dunn 7 April 2022

With all the rain today, our power went out this evening. Fortunately, it was after dinner, but it means I am sending this email a little late. This email is really a summary of all the things that are **coming up through Holy Week**:

- **Sunday:** We will celebrate **Palm and Passion Sunday** at both 8:00 am and 9:30 am. Bishop Shane Parker will be joining us for the 9:30 service and we will begin at 9:30 sharp in the Courtyard (weather permitting). Please join us for the procession after the blessing of the palms as we head into the Church and then turn to the events of Christ's Passion.

The Bishop will preach and celebrate; and, following the service, he will join us for the Coffee Hour and engage with us in a Question and Answer period. As always, the service at 9:30 will be available on Zoom using our regular link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83689498396>

- **Monday:**
  - In the morning, Julie and Helen will offer the final **Morning Prayer** session on Zoom at 9:00 am.
  - At noon, we invite you to join us for a Eucharist service in the Church.
- **Tuesday:** We will celebrate the **Tuesday in Holy Week** Eucharist, at 7:00 pm, in the Church.
- **Wednesday:** At 10:30 am, our regular mid-week Eucharist will mark the **Wednesday in Holy Week** in the Church.
- **Thursday:** On **Maundy Thursday**, we gather, at 7:00 pm, for the celebration of the Lord's Supper. This year, because of Covid protocols, I will not be washing feet; but the service still concludes with the stripping of the Altar and the silence of Gethsemane.

The Maundy Thursday service will be provided over Zoom at 7:00 pm, using our usual (Sunday morning) link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83689498396>

- **Good Friday:**

- We begin the day with a **gathering for families** starting at 10:30 am. You are invited to bring the children to the Courtyard. You will be led into the Chapel where, through stories and crafts, the children are invited into the Holy Week journey. This will conclude with a snack/lunch at about 11:30 .
  - At 12:00 noon, we will hold our **Good Friday Solemn Liturgy** in the Church. I am looking for some volunteers to assist with the reading of the Passion Gospel (it is divided up into parts as usual). Please let me know if you can help out. The noon service will also be shared on Zoom for those who can not join us in-person using the usual Worship (Sunday morning) link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83689498396>
  - Following the Good Friday liturgy, we will once again hold our **Stations of the Cross Walk** through Westboro. At about 1:00 pm, we will head out carrying the wooden cross and hear the readings and reflections on the different points of Jesus journey. Once again, we are in need of some volunteers to assist with doing the readings during the walk. Please let me know if you can help with this.
- **Saturday:** We will gather at 7:00 pm, for the **Great Vigil of Easter**. We start in darkness, hearing the old stories, and then ringing in the resurrection with handheld bells. This is the first service of Easter.
  - **Sunday:** Finally, on **Easter morning** our worship services will be at 6:00 am (Sunrise Service), at 8:00 am, and at 9:30 am. More details on those services next week.

A prayer for this evening:

***Jesus crucified, despised and suffering, you made yourself one with us. Help us to follow you through this coming Holy Week and to bear witness to the gospel of love. Amen.***

Take Care, and I hope that I will see you during the coming week,

Chris