

# ST. JOSEPH'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
April 28, 2019

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# WELCOME

## THE VESTRY

Norma Byfield   2020
Shirley Jones   2020
Warden
Julet Marshall-Bartley   2020
Robert Saunders   2020
<i>Building and Grounds Chair</i>
Johanna Valentine   2020
Pauline Parchment   2021
Warden
Carol Carrington   2021
Clerk
Yvonne Crafty   2021
Claudia Sawney   2021
Koreen Walcott   2021
Roxanne Adams   2022
<i>Finance Chair</i>
Sandra Lawrence Simpson   2022
<i>Treasurer</i>
Edline Severe-Joseph   2022
<i>Stewardship Chair</i>
Hickman Simmons   2022
Coretta Johnson
Appointed Asst. Treasurer

## VESTRY COMMITTEES

<i>Finance Committee</i>
Roxanne Adams (Chairperson)
Sandra Simpson, Norma Byfield
Julet Bartley, Coretta Johnson
Paula Sinclair, Jeffery Samms
Pauline Parchment, Shirley Jones
<i>Buildings and Grounds Committee</i>
Robert Saunders (Chairperson)
Claudia Sawney, Koreen Walcott
Carol Carrington
Hickman Simmons, Eric Clements
Shirley Jones, Pauline Parchment
<i>Stewardship Committee</i>
Edline Joseph (Chairperson)
Johanna Valentine, Yvonne Crafty
Marcel Kennedy, Cynthia Lewis
Shirley Jones, Pauline Parchment

Thank you for joining us for services on this day of prayer and thanksgiving. We welcome you to St. Joseph's Episcopal Church with open arms and open hearts.

Please be thoughtful, respectful and reverent, for you are in the house of the Lord. Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. The service ends after the Altar Candles are extinguished. *Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.*

We are open Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 5 PM. Please call 718.464.8913, ext. 2 to schedule an appointment.

## DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE	PSALM	OT	EPISTLE	GOSPEL
Sunday, April 28	AM: Psalm 146, 147 PM: Psalm 111, 112, 113	Isaiah 43:8-13	1 Peter 2:2-10	John 14:1-7
Monday, April 29	AM: Psalm 1, 2, 3 PM: Psalm 4, 7	Daniel 1:1-21	1 John 1:1-10	John 17:1-11
Tuesday, April 30	AM: Psalm 5, 6 PM: Psalm 10, 11	Daniel 2:1-16	1 John 2:1-11	John 17:12-19
Wednesday, May 1	AM: Psalm 119:1-24 PM: Psalm 12, 13, 14	Daniel 2:17-30	1 John 2:12-17	John 17:20-26
Thursday, May 2	AM: Psalm 18:1-20 PM: Psalm 18:21-50	Daniel 2:31-49	1 John 2:18-29	Luke 3:1-14
Friday, May 3	AM: Psalm 16, 17 PM: Psalm 134, 135	Daniel 3:1-18	1 John 3:1-10	Luke 3:15-22
Saturday, May 4	AM: Psalm 20, 21:1-14 PM: Psalm 110:1-7, 116, 117	Daniel 3:19-30	1 John 3:11-18	Luke 4:1-13

## LECTORS

DATE	9:30 AM	READINGS
APRIL 28	STEPHEN BARTLEY MERGLIN SOARES	ACTS 5:27-32 REVELATION 1:4-8
MAY 5	KALEAH WESTON-ALLEN ADAJAH JOSEPH	ACTS 9:1-20 REVELATION 5:11-14
MAY 12	SANDRA JONES JACQUELINE HICKS	ACTS 9:36-43 REVELATION 7:9-17
MAY 19	SANDRA ELLIS IRVINE BROWNE	ACTS 11:1-18 REVELATION 21:1-6
MAY 26	PAULA KONG-SINCLAIR HYACINTH HUTCHINSON	ACTS 16:9-15 REVELATION 21:10, 22-22:5

# THE EUCHARIST

*Thank you for silencing your cell phone, and not answering calls or texting during service.*

*Please be silent.*

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN | 180 (1982)

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen. Alleluia.

People: *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

## COLLECT OF PURITY

ALMIGHTY GOD, TO YOU ALL HEARTS ARE OPEN, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE GLORIA

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND PEACE TO His people on earth. Lord God, Heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: Receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, for You alone are the Lord, for You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

## THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, WHO IN THE Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE FIRST LESSON | ACTS 5:27-32

WHEN THE TEMPLE POLICE HAD BROUGHT THE apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God*

## RESPONSE | PSALM 118:14-29

*Confitemini Domino*

<sup>14</sup> *The Lord is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.*

<sup>15</sup> *There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:*

<sup>16</sup> *"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"*

<sup>17</sup> *I shall not die, but live, \*  
and declare the works of the Lord.*

<sup>18</sup> *The Lord has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.*

<sup>19</sup> *Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the Lord.*

<sup>20</sup> "This is the gate of the Lord; \*  
he who is righteous may enter."

<sup>21</sup> I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.

<sup>22</sup> The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup> This is the Lord's doing, \*  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup> On this day the Lord has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

<sup>25</sup> Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! \*  
Lord, send us now success.

<sup>26</sup> Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord; \*  
we bless you from the house of the Lord.

<sup>27</sup> God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; \*  
form a procession with branches up to the  
horns of the altar.

<sup>28</sup> "You are my God, and I will thank you; \*  
you are my God, and I will exalt you."

<sup>29</sup> Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the  
Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be forever. Amen.

## SECOND LESSON | REVELATION 1:4-8

JOHN TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES THAT ARE IN Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

## GRADUAL HYMN | LEV 43

## THE GOSPEL | JOHN 20:18-31

WHEN IT WAS EVENING ON THAT DAY, THE FIRST day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ.

## SERMON HYMN | LEV 105

## THE NICENE CREED

WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, THE FATHER, THE Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GRACE TO YOU AND PEACE FROM JESUS Christ, the firstborn of the dead. The Lord has acted; let us rejoice and be glad, saying, "You are our God; *and we thank you.*"

Almighty God, you have given your Church the ministry of reconciliation: grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in the lives what they profess by faith.

You are our God;  
*And we thank you.*

Ruler of the kings of the earth, Lord Jesus, your word is a word of peace: speak forth salvation in a weary world.

You are our God;  
*And we thank you.*

All you do, O Lord, is marvelous in our eyes: give us a respect for all you have made. *The congregation*

*may add their thanksgivings.*

You are our God;  
*And we thank you.*

Mighty Savior, raise up faithful witnesses in our community, that our neighbors might come to know what you love them and have freed them from the power of sin.

You are our God;  
*And we thank you.*

O Lord, you are good; your mercy endures forever: be the strength of the weak and the song of those who mourn. *The congregation may add their petitions.*

You are our God;  
*And we thank you.*

Alpha and Omega, you do not hand your beloved ones over to death, but promise life eternal to all those baptized into your Son: to you be glory and dominion forever.

You are our God;  
*And we thank you.*

## THE CONFESSION

Celebrant:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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

## THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

# HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMNS |  
179 (1982), LEV 89

INCENSE HYMN | LEV 67

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

*People:* *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

*People:* *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing (say),

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin

Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People:*

*We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with [the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, (with \_\_\_\_\_) and] all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. Amen.

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

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

### AGNUS DEI

*Jesus Lamb of God have mercy on us.*

*Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.*

*Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:*

*give us your peace, give us your peace.*

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.

### COMMUNION HYMNS

321 (1982), LEV 30, 178 (1982)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

### Celebrant & People:

*The God of peace, who brought again from the dead, our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.*

### RECESSATIONAL HYMN | 544 (1982)

### DISMISSAL

*Go now in peace, never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.  
Go now in faith steadfast, strong and true.  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.*

### POSTLUDE (Please be seated)

### PRAYER LIST

Please remember these sick and infirm members, friends, and families of our Church in your prayers today and every day: *Mother Kassinda Ellis, Alfred Robinson, Andre Reid, Ann-Marie Chambers, Arturo Condell, Babbette Wilson, Barbara Dunn, Caleen Campbell, Catherine "Kitty" Smith, Desmond Green, Doris McDuffie, Gloria Scudder, Irene Griffith, Joan Lewis, Julia McCants, Katherine Lillian Usher, Leroy Jones, Leonard Richards, Lorna White, Muriel Pinnock, Patricia Wynter, Raymond White, Rosa Segovia, Sharon Renaud, Theodore Callens, Troy Williams, Virginia Wilson, and Yves Baptiste*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS | APRIL 28

## 5/25 CANON DIANE PORTER MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial service for Canon Diane Porter will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, May 25, 2019 at Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, 254 Hicks Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201

## 5/25 BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW TALENT SHOW

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Queens Assembly Annual Youth Talent Show will be held on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM at the Episcopal Church of Grace and Resurrection 100-17 32nd Avenue, East Elmhurst, NY 11369. If you or Youth in your church are interested in performing at the Talent Show, please complete the registration form attached and submit it to Sister Earlene Sealy; call at 718-528-3506 or email adina59@verizon.net

## SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (SYEP) WORKSHOPS

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Queens Assembly and Sister Joan King will be hosting several Summer Youth Employment workshops in the Queens area over the next few weeks. See schedule in the bulletin. Registration for SYEP starts on Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are a Youth and want more information about the SYEP please attend a workshop so you can hear more about these Summer Youth Employment opportunities. You may contact Ms. Joan King at 917-838-315 or via email at jknadji@aol.com

## 6/15 SAVE THE DATE

Message from the Vestry: The Institution of The Rev. Mother Kassinda R. T. Ellis as the Rector of St. Joseph's has been scheduled for Saturday, June 15, 2019 at 11 AM at St. Joseph's followed by a reception at Dabar Bethlehem Cathedral, (218-38 98<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Queens Village). Please Save the Date! More details will follow.

## 6/29 OUTING TO LAKE COMPOUNCE

St Joseph's will be having a Summer Outing to Lake Compounce in Bristol, CT on Saturday June 29, 2019. Cost to include park admission, beach, food, transportation and T-Shirt is \$80 per adult and \$60 per child ages 4-16. Without transportation cost is \$60 per person. Children under 3 are free. There will be 2 buses. Space is limited so please sign up early on bulletin board and make full payment by June 9<sup>th</sup> to secure your seat on the bus. Buses will depart St Joseph's at 7:30 am sharp and leave Lake Compounce at 6:30 pm sharp. Please contact Nicola Walker (516) 972-5536, Wendy Riley (646) 621-6465 or Paula Kong- Sinclair (516) 698-8762 for further details and to make payment.

## LETTER FROM THE VESTRY

### FINANCIAL HEALTH – APRIL 2019

Dear Parishioners,

On March 31, we collected:	\$6,797.00
On April 7, we collected:	\$7,331.00
On April 14, we collected:	\$8,087.00
Holy Week, we collected:	\$2,214.00
On April 21, we collected:	\$11,871.00

"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." 2 Corinthians 9:11

*Our only source of income at this time is from tithing.*

Let's work together to stabilize the finances of our Church!

*Mother Ellis & the St. Joseph's Vestry*

### MONTHLY MEETING NOTICES

Vestry:	2 <sup>nd</sup> Weds., 8 PM
Building & Grounds:	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 11:30 AM
Finance Committee:	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday, 7:30 PM
Parish Health Ministry:	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday, 11 AM
Outreach Ministry:	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday, 11 AM
Stewardship:	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:30 PM
Support Group:	Thursdays at 7:30 PM