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“Not only with our lips but in our lives”

HOLY WEEK

- **Today (Thursday)**, Communion at St Luke's, 7 pm
- **On Friday**, Commemoration of the Passion at St Luke's, 11 am
- **On Saturday**, Vigil of Easter at Christ Church Lower Woodstock, 7 pm
- **On Easter Sunday**, Communion at **St Mark's & Holy Trinity** (9 am) and at **St John's** (11 am)
- Find Sunday's Bible readings: <https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrso/?date=2022-04-17>
- Formal **Covid restrictions** are ended in the parish but the pandemic continues. Consideration for the health of others remains the golden rule.
- Among those we uphold in prayer: **Brian, Carolyn, Cecil, Charlotte, Cole, Doris, Elizabeth, Frankie, Freda, Gail, Gary, Harry, Helen, Joanne, Lawrence, Lynn, Marg, Melba, Nadine, Nicole, Steve, Stevie, Stephen, Theresa, Trina, Wendell**

To **add/delete a name** to the parish prayer list, speak to Pat Margison (328-8146) or Wendell Parkinson (325-9519).

Remember that there's a convenient way to get a cheery greeting to the hospitalized. The hospital will deliver it. Check out: <https://horizonnb.ca/patients-visitors/send-a-message-to-a-patient/> [Note new address]

This coming week's birthdays: **Queen Elizabeth, Archbishop Edwards, Ronald Bell, Cynthia Derksen, Marion Parkinson**
Anniversary: **Robert & Alice Flewelling**

Please continue to **remember the Food Bank** when you shop. Particularly needed are canned tomatoes, vegetables and soups, and tuna, ham etc suitable for children's lunches.

Have you checked the parish Facebook lately? [\(16\) The Anglican Parish of Richmond, Diocese of Fredericton | Facebook](#)

As we have come to expect, but must not take for granted, the **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund** is already responding to the **Ukrainian refugee crisis**. To make a donation to this response, [click here](#), or go to pwrdf.org/give-today and click on Response in Ukraine. You may also donate by phone at 416-822-9083 or leave a voicemail toll-free at 1-866-308-7973 and we 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.

To hear composer **John Rutter's** moving musical prayer for Ukraine, click on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2bx4QFxfW2s> The translation is: *Lord, protect Ukraine. Give us strength, faith, and hope, our Father. Amen*

This Sunday being Easter Sunday, it has been suggested that a show of **hats** in the St John's congregation would be welcome.

On Mondays a weekly Bible/book/hymn **discussion group** continues at the home of Nancy & Ernest Clarke (24 Hillcrest Ave, Hartland), 7 pm. Always room for **new members**. The household at 24 Hillcrest is fully vaccinated and the same is requested of those who attend.

Next Friday (22 April) please remember the 5th Mark of Mission as we and hundreds of millions of people mark **Earth Day**: <https://www.earthday.org>

Bonnie Sparks' essay on the World Day of Prayer service at St John's circulated this week in the e-News of the national Anglican Church. Read it at <https://wicc.org/bonnie-sparks-wdp-service-new-brunswick/>

Archbishop Edwards returns home next week to visit parents and bury his mother-in-law.

The **Mothers' Union Spring Rally** is at St Mary/St Bartholomew church, Saint John, on Saturday 30 April. Please consider being a part of this event.

The **Parish Prayer Meeting** continues at St John's on Tuesday 17 May, 6:30 pm. All are encouraged to attend.

Today is **Maundy Thursday**. For tonight, tomorrow and Saturday the church since ancient times has prescribed Evening Prayer services with readings from the book of Lamentations, each ending: "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God". They are called **Tenebrae**

services (from the Latin word for darkness), because at each service the lights are extinguished gradually, so that they end in darkness.

One of the masterpieces of 20th-century Canadian music is the series of musical meditations **Healey Willan** wrote for the Maundy Thursday Tenebrae services at Toronto's church of S. Mary Magdalene. Their brief texts are drawn closely from the gospels' Thursday evening events just prior to Jesus' arrest and from Isaiah. In the youtube versions below they are sung with perfection by the choirs (liturgical and gallery) at S. Mary Magdalene. Notice how these quiet, restrained meditations, which begin chant-like, convey great drama.

*Meditation 1: On the Mount of Olives he prayed to his Father. Father, if it be possible, let this **cup** pass from me. The spirit indeed is willing but the flesh is weak. Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing but the flesh is weak.*

Listen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Yn8vUZT7bw>

*Meditation 2: My soul is exceeding sorrowful even unto death. Tarry ye here and watch with me. Now shall ye see the multitude come about me. Ye shall **flee** and I go to be sacrificed for you. Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is **betrayed** into the hands of sinners. Ye shall **flee**, and I go to be sacrificed for you.*

Listen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4SEaRcHxx9c>

*Meditation 3: Behold, we have seen him without form or comeliness. His form is gone from him. He hath borne our sins and His sorrows are for us. He was **wounded** for our transgressions, and with his stripes we are healed. Surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. And with his stripes we are healed. Behold, we have seen him without form or comeliness. His form is gone from him. He hath borne our sins and His sorrows are for us. He was **wounded** for our transgressions, and with his stripes we are healed.*

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