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S. PHILIP AND S. JAMES'S DAY¹

THE CHRIST IN THE CHRISTIAN

'Andrew and Philip tell Jesus.' - S. John vii. 22

Even as Philip and Andrew represented Jesus those long years ago, people have a right to say to you and me, 'Sir, we would see Jesus.' Worldly cynicism about the Church is really the echo of the spiritual hunger that cries, 'We would see Jesus.' The doubting pathetic world, longing for light and peace, seeks to find some authentic trace of Christ in the lives and conversation of those who call themselves Christians.

We can only do what Philip and Andrew did, go and tell Jesus. Here comes the call to the life of prayer. Let us go to Him and say, 'Master, the people in our street are asking to see You, and we are utterly unfit to tell them about You, to deliver Your message. We bring their needs to You.' The professing Church can only go to Jesus with that cry, and try to learn from Him. When those apostles went to Him with the cry of the Greeks, He talked to them about His Passion (*S. John xii. 23-35*). He said, 'Now is the Son of man glorified,' and what was the glory? The glory of the Cross! He spoke then the parable of the corn of wheat and the life dependent upon death, and referred it to Himself and that lifting up of the Passion which would alone draw all men to Him. We have to learn the secret of the Passion, that, if we would draw all men to Jesus by our lives, it will only be if these lives of ours are sacramentally united with His Sacrifice and expressed in a love that will go on loving through all things, in a forgiveness unto seventy time seven, and a heroic faith that can follow through any darkness.



¹May 1st

"Meditations for Every Day", p. 150
Rev. Fr Andrew, S.D.C.
(London, A.R. Mowbray & Co.)

Rector's Ramblings



I want to congratulate Yvette Drayton and Bob Oschman for being awarded the William H. Jepson Award (Shield of All Saints Medal). Yvette was given the award for her many long years of service as a Sunday School teacher, and for her work on the Flower Guild. Bob received his award (his second) for his work getting the Church security system installed and for his work with the new Parish Website.

I want to thank Dan Brush for getting an additional plaque for the Jepson Award. When Deacon Wilson received the award in February 2016, his name was put on the last tag of the original plaque. The new plaque, which is pictured here, has new wording to show that the award was changed from the Shield of All Saints Medal to the William H. Jepson Award.

A new Confirmation class has begun. The class is being taught by Deacon Wilson, Paul Drayton and Samuel Talabi. The two students are Tayo Akinyemi and Mae Ruff. When they have finished the class, we will set a date for Confirmation. Bishop Upham is graciously allowing me to confirm Tayo and Mae.

The Diocesan Synod will be held in Raleigh, NC, from May 14 through 17, 2019. Three of our parishioners will be ending their time serving the Diocese. Jane Moeller, who has been Diocesan ACW president since the beginning of the Diocese in 2012, will be leaving that office. Thank you Jane. This office is more difficult than one would expect and you have handled the job admirably. Carol O'Sullivan and Marcia Wilson will be leaving the Standing Committee. They have also served since 2012. The Standing Committee is to the Diocesan Bishop what the Vestry is to the Rector. The Committee's most important function is to interview and approve men seeking to become deacon and priests. This is a momentous job and they also have served admirably. The Committee will miss your insights and your wise words. Thank you Carol and Marcia.

Finally with this issue I finish my review of Martin Thornton's book *Christian Proficiency*. I hope you gained some insight to prayer and how to become a Proficient Christian.

Until the next Sanctus, may God bless you.

+Right Reverend Blair William Schultz

Rector and Bishop Suffragan



Whoever reads the New Testament seriously, or gives thought to the impact which the apostles made upon their generation, must acknowledge that one outstanding historic event alone spurred that small band of 11 ordinary men to an amazing task of evangelization in their generation. Defying every obstacle, loss of home, persecution, even death itself, they evidenced the supreme relevance in their ministry of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Erling C. Olsen

Christian Proficiency

This will be the last article on Martin Thornton's book *Christian Proficiency*.

The last type prayer that I'm going to talk about is Adoration. "Adoration is the peak of all prayer because it is the only possible approach to God perfectly known. Our worship is an attempt to face facts actively, and Adoration is the most perfect expression of the fact of God; it is living in the Truth. Prayer that does not lead into Adoration—however slowly and deficiently—is inadequate. Trying to right the world without worship is like keeping accounts on the basis that two plus two equal five; it is outside the truth. Dr Mascall writes:

"[We have a duty to worship God,] 'not by reflecting on God's goodness towards us and then trying to decide what we owe him in return, but by reflecting on what he is in the perfection of his Being and then realizing—or vainly striving to realize—what such perfection is entitled to receive. And this supreme type of worship, which is due to God and God alone, is what theology describes by the Greek word *latreia* and what we usually know as *adoration*.'¹

"Strange as it may seem, the struggle to reach this height on some long distant day depends on our knowledge of God, which is manifested to us in Christ; so all our honest intercourse with him—even about lobsters—helps more and more to reveal the Being of God to us. Thus the simplest colloquy assists us towards Adoration. But meanwhile we must bring this ultimate of prayer into our personal colloquy as best we can; and it is here that we most need to supplement our frailty by 'set prayers'—especially by the Church's great hymns of Adoration like *Gloria in excelsis* and *Te Deum*.

"We have seen time and time again how all aspects of prayer merge and fit into a single glorious pattern, how simple colloquy leads on to the fullness of worship. That Our Lord is still our example is shown by a wonderful passage from Heiler's Prayer:

"Jesus recognizes plainly and unequivocally the inevitability of his death and Atonement: "*Except a grain of wheat fall into the earth and die, it abideth by itself alone; but if it die it beareth much fruit. He that loveth his life loseth it, and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.*" The thought of death rouses in Jesus a thoroughly healthy, human fear: "*Now is my soul troubled, and what shall I say?*" "*Father save me from this hour,*" arises to his lips. But at once he is aware of the contradiction in this prayer to the divine mission. "*But for this cause came I unto this hour.*" Then he forgets every trivial fear and selfish wish; he sees only the supreme end which his sacrifice will serve, the establishment of God's kingdom, and he speaks: "*Father, Glorify Thy Name.*"²

"In Gethsemane, Christ begins with personal petition, it is 'answered'—in the negative; then, seeing his mission, he intercedes for the world he is to save; eternal truth and value flow into his mind, for which he gives thanks; and the whole surges forward to '*Father, Glorify Thy Name*': the end of all prayer, and all life and all being—the Adoration of God the Holy Trinity."³

¹ Thornton, p. 106.

² Thornton, p. 107.

³ Thornton, p. 107.

So to conclude:

1. Remember what colloquy is. It is simple honest, prayer that is personal, and informal. It is a dialogue between you and God. It "is to be reverent but not stilted, devout yet informal . . ."⁴. The Pharisee's prayer was neither simple nor informal; it was not a dialogue between him and God. The Pharisee was telling God what a good person he was and how much better he was than others. But the prayer of the tax-collector was simple, direct, and honest. *God be merciful to me a sinner*. That's the kind of prayer that brings us closer to Jesus.
2. All of us share in the prayer of the Church.
3. You won't have an effective Prayer life if you don't attend Mass, say the Daily Office, and participate in private prayer. You need some kind of a Rule that you practice everyday. You can't be effective in your prayers unless you take part in the life of the Church.

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⁴ Thornton, p. 92.

Greetings from your Senior Warden.

Well it appears we have weathered winter and that spring is just around the corner.

This year's snow, ice and polar vortex caused extra plowing and salting in the parking lot and pushed our budget for snow removal. The northwest down-spout blew off during some of the high winds we had but repairs were affected and we are ready for spring rains.



We competitively bid carpet cleaning and ended up with the best price and the number one vendor from Home Advisor. All of the carpets were cleaned as well as the pew cushions and most of the carpet staining was removed. Thanks to Carol O'Sullivan and Bill Jepson for previous year's cleanings, we have a carpet in very good condition that should continue to look good for years to come.

We plan on having the parking lot re-sealed, cracks filled and the parking spaces re-stripped in June. Again, competitive bidding brought the cost for that effort in \$500.00 less than the last time it was done. We are waiting until June to allow the spring rains to flush the residual salt off of the asphalt.

In April we are planning an outdoor clean up day at the Church that will get rid of trash blowing around, weeds sprouting up and some of the weed trees cut out of our hedges. We will also plant bulbs and annual flowers to brighten up the exterior of the Church.

Rebecca and I are looking to replace the remaining halogen lights with LED. If you would like to participate in the clean up or light replacement please sign up on one of the sign up sheets.

As you have seen, attendance continues to drop week to week at the Sunday service. Please consider inviting your friends and neighbors to visit a Sunday service, we'd love to see the pews filled and the Sunday school classes overflowing.

Dan Brush, Bishop's warden

Anglican Church Women

St. Martha's Guild

Welcome to Spring! At least it is here according to the calendar!
Just a couple of reminders:

Details of the ACW Luncheons along with a sign-up sheet are to be found in the Narthex. All are welcome.

Due to Easter and Mother's Day falling on the Sundays when the ACW would normally meet, our next meeting will be in June. Hope to see you there!

Sue Ross, ACW president

Outreach

Our collection for the Ronald McDonald House in Winfield is currently underway. It looks to be a success. Thank you! They are always so grateful for donations from All Saints.

Watch the Outreach bulletin board outside the library for updates, thank you notes and status reports. The 2019 Outreach calendar is also posted there. We hope this will help you plan for upcoming events.

In May, we will be collecting items for the West Suburban Community Pantry.

May is the month for Kids Feeding Kids at the Pantry. They ask for kid-friendly items so they can be packed in snack bags for struggling families, as summer approaches. We'll post a copy on the bulletin board next month.

We appreciate your continued support of our Outreach projects. Thank you so very much!

Your Outreach Committee

Deacon Wilson, Libby Bolton, Carol O'Sullivan, Sue Ross, Sue Peterson



KIDS FEEDING KIDS (May collection program)

Snacks collected during May will be used by our Kids Make a Difference program during the summer months. Those kids will prepare snack bags and kid-friendly meals for their fellow students whose families are struggling.

Kid-friendly items needed:

Breakfast cereal bars

Packaged lunches (Lunchables)

Microwavable macaroni and cheese

Cheese and cracker snack packs

Individually packaged crackers and pretzels



WANTED

The Outreach Committee is also still looking for gently used backpacks or 'under-the-airplane-seat' sized bags to donate to the Joliet Children's Home and Aid Society!

So far approximately 52 backpacks/small suitcases have been provided to children and young adults who are either going to a foster home or aging out of the program. (At age 18 they are given a small amount of cash and a black trash bag for release.)

Estate and garage sales are a great resource for purchasing such items inexpensively, as are charity stores (e.g. Goodwill) or other resale shops.

If you have any more backpacks or small suitcases, please bring them to church and Sue Ross will take them to Joliet in a timely fashion.

Much thanks!



All Saints Youth Easter Encounter

Saturday, April 20 at 10:00 AM

Please mark your calendars for your upcoming Easter Youth Encounter!

There will be food, fellowship, games, Easter egg hunt, presentations and more.

Details to follow shortly but we look forward to seeing you all!

All Saints Church School

Jepson Award 2019

This year Bishop Schultz presented the Jepson Award (formerly the All Saints Shield) to two recipients: Bob Oschman and Yvette Drayton.



Bob Oschman receives the Jepson Award from Bishop Schultz



Yvette Drayton and Bishop Schultz

Rogation Days

Rogation: from the Latin, rogatio meaning 'asking'.

Traditionally, these are the three days before Ascension Day on which the litany is sung (or recited) in procession as an act of intercession. They originated in Vienne, France, in the fifth century when Bishop Mamertus introduced days of fasting and prayer to ward off a threatened disaster. In England they were associated with the blessing of the fields at planting. The vicar "beat the bounds" of the parish, processing around the fields reciting psalms and the litany. In the United States they have been associated with rural life and with agriculture and fishing, but in modern times have widened their scope to include commerce, industry and the stewardship of creation.

The three Rogation days this year fall on May 27th, 28th

Dates and Events to Remember

SERVICES

(except where indicated)

Sunday mornings 9:30 am Holy Eucharist

Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm Low Mass

Wednesdays During Lent 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Note: Fridays are days of Abstinence except on Feast Days

Rogation Days are Days of Prayer and Fasting

APRIL

Sunday, April 7th **Passion Sunday**

Making of Palm Crosses after Mass

Thursday, April 11th

ACW Luncheon at Bolingbrook Golf Club

Sunday, April 14th **Palm Sunday**

9:30 am Holy Eucharist and Procession of Palms

HOLY WEEK

Thursday, April 18th **Maundy Thursday**

7:00 pm Mass with Altar Guild Collection

Friday, April 19th **Good Friday**

7:00 pm Mass

Saturday, April 20th **Holy Saturday**

Lenten Fast ends at Noon

10:00 am Youth Easter Encounter

Sunday, April 21st **Easter Day**

7:30 am Mass

10:00 am Pontifical High Mass (incense)

Wednesday, April 24th No Evening Mass

Sunday, April 28th **Easter I**

Vestry meeting

Monday, April 29th **Feast of St Mark (transferred)**

April 29th thru May 3rd CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

No Wednesday evening Mass

MAY

Wednesday, May 1st **Sts Philip and James** No Mass

Sunday, May 5th **Easter II**

ACW Luncheon after Mass

Sunday, May 12th **Easter III** (Mothers' Day)

May 13th thru May 18th CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

No Wednesday evening Mass

Diocesan Synod in Raleigh, NC

Sunday, May 19th **Easter IV**

Vestry meeting

Thursday, May 23rd ACW Luncheon (details to be announced)

May 27th, 28th and 29th are **Rogation Days**

Thursday, May 30th **Ascension Day**



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For more information visit:

www.anglicanpck.org or

www.allsaintsanglicanparish.org

If you are seeking a church home we welcome you into our spiritual family as together we seek to uphold our Christian duties to *"follow Christ, worship God every Sunday in his Church; and to work and pray and give for the spread of His kingdom"* (B.C.P. p 291)