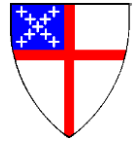


The Cloak



April 2022

Greetings,

Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen.

The Easter story asks a question—where do we look for that which will give us life? We are always seeking. Easter asks us—what...how...where...Who...do we seek? We sometimes turn to things or people or places that seem like the answer; that we hope may bring us what we desire or need. But we discover that they are empty.

But we are people who know where to look. Anywhere there is healing, reconciliation, commitment, service, ever deepening relationships, greater communion, deepening holiness, wider service—look there! This has never been more true or more needed than during these tumultuous times.

I pray that our seeking will lead us to an ever-deeper relationship with God and with each other. I pray that our faith may deepen and our service to one another expand. I pray that gratitude will fill our hearts and motivate our giving for the good of others.

HOLY WEEK

Sunday, April 10th—The Sunday of the Passion, Palm Sunday

Monday, April 11th—Monday in Holy Week, Morning Prayer 11:30 am

Thursday, April 14th—Maundy Thursday Service at 6:30 pm

Friday, April 15th—Stations of the Cross at Noon

Friday, April 15th —Good Friday Service at 6:30 pm

Saturday, April 16th—Cleanup Day at 10:00 am

Sunday, April 17th—Easter Day at 10am

God's Blessings,

Mtr. Kim

Prayer Requests * Prayer Chain

- Pray for all victims of COVID-19 and their families.
- Pray for all students, teachers, and parents.
- Pray for all who live in isolation, loneliness, or fear and those who suffer from depression.
- Pray for all who have lost employment and who struggle to pay their bills.
- Pray for all health care providers, relieve their stress and anxiety.
- Pray for all scientists who have worked tirelessly to discover new vaccines and treatments.
- Pray for all leaders who are working to provide needed supplies and information for their constituents.
- Pray for all those in sickness, loneliness, and any other adversity.
- Pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died. Pray for all who mourn.
- Pray for all public servants in this country who have been under attack by insurgents.
- We offer thanksgiving for all the joys of life and those celebrating birthdays this month, especially Kim Roberts, Conner Mowery, Steve Mincer, and Jim Ruegge.
- Pray for the church—especially for our St. Martin of Tours.

All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior.

St. Mart's News and Announcements

UNITED THANK OFFERING



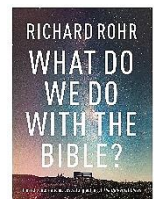
St. Martin's will begin our UTO collection **during Lent**. UTO Prayer books and Blue Boxes are available in the chapel. The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of The Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through UTO, individuals are invited to embrace and deepen a personal daily spiritual discipline of gratitude. UTO encourages people to notice the good things that happen each day, give thanks to God for those blessings and make an offering for each blessing using a UTO Blue Box.

UTO is entrusted to receive the offerings, and to distribute 100% of what is collected to support innovative mission and ministry throughout The Episcopal Church and Provinces of the Anglican Communion.

April 3rd LENTEN PROGRAM

Our Lenten Program **will end on Sunday April 3rd**.

We will finish our discussion of What Do We Do with The Bible? By Fr. Richard Rohr.





APRIL 10th VESTRY MEETING

The 2022 Vestry will be meet on **Sunday, April 10th** following the Palm Sunday Service.



April 10th PALM SUNDAY

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, **April 10th at 10:00 am** with the Liturgy of the Palms. On Palm Sunday Christians celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, the week before his death and resurrection. For many Christian churches, Palm Sunday often referred to as "Passion Sunday," marks the beginning of Holy Week, which concludes on Easter Sunday.



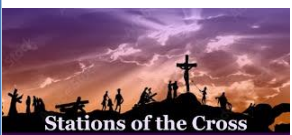
April 11th MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK

Morning prayer at 11:30am.



April 14th MAUNDY THURSDAY

Holy Week continues with the Maundy Thursday, **April 14th at 6:30 pm**. Maundy Thursday commemorates the Last Supper when Jesus shared the Passover meal with his disciples on the night before he was crucified.



April 15th Stations of the Cross at Noon



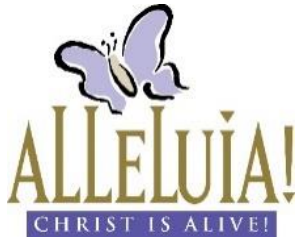
April 15th The somber service of Good Friday will be held at **6:30 pm**. Good Friday commemorates the passion and death on the cross of Jesus Christ.



April 16th CLEAN-UP DAY and DECORATE FOR EASTER

*We will have a Clean-Up Day on Saturday, **April 16th**. Both inside and outside need a thorough cleaning---COVID and Weather permitting. We'll start at **10:00 am**. Please bring work gloves, rakes, brooms, dust rags and other cleaning and gardening implements*

April 17th EASTER SUNDAY



Easter Sunday is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Savior and is celebrated this year on **April 17th at 10:00 am.**

Easter brunch to follow.

Scriptures of the Month

April 3 Lent 5

- **Isaiah 43:16-21** *God's going to do a new thing, and the animals will like it too.*
- **Psalm 126** *Those who sow in tears shall reap with joy*
- **Philippians 3:4b-14** *Righteousness through faith, and striving ahead <*
- **John 12:1-8** *Mary anoints Jesus' feet with oil*

April 10 Palm Sunday

- **Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29**
Holy, holy, holy
- **Songs on the theme of Peace**
- **Luke 19:28-40** *Christ's entry into Jerusalem*

April 17 Easter Sunday

- **He is risen!**

April 24 – Easter 2

- **Doubting Thomas**

From the Calendar



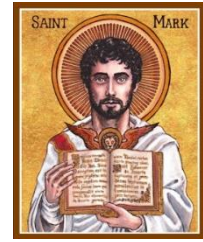
Martin Luther King Jr. was an American Baptist minister and activist who became the most visible spokesman and leader in the civil rights movement from 1955 until his assassination in 1968



Tikhon of Moscow, born Vasily Ivanovich Bellavin, was a bishop of the Russian Orthodox Church. On 5 November 1917 he was selected the 11th Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, after a period of about 200 years of the Synodal rule in the ROC. He was canonized as a confessor by the ROC in 1989



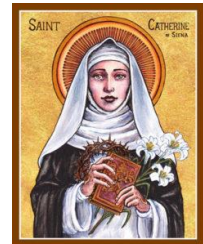
Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a German Lutheran pastor, theologian, anti-Nazi dissident, and key founding member of the Confessing Church. His writings on Christianity's role in the secular world have become widely influential, and his book **The Cost of Discipleship** is described as a modern classic.



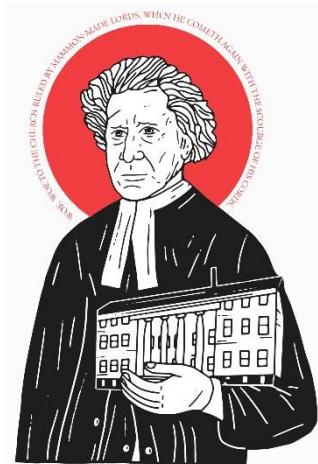
Mark the Evangelist is the traditionally ascribed author of the Gospel of Mark. Mark is said to have founded the Church of Alexandria, one of the most important episcopal sees of early Christianity. His feast day is celebrated on April 25, and his symbol is the winged lion.



Zita of Tuscany is an Italian saint, the patron saint of maids and domestic servants. She is often appealed to in order to help find lost keys. She is often confused with St. Osyth or Ositha an important English Saint with a town named after her.



Catherine of Siena, a lay member of the Dominican Order, was a mystic, activist, and author who had a great influence on Italian literature and on the Catholic Church. Canonized in 1461, she is also a Doctor of the Church.



William Augustus Muhlenberg was an Episcopal clergyman and educator. Muhlenberg is considered the father of church schools in the United States. An early exponent of the Social Gospel, he founded St. Luke's Hospital in New York City.

Tenebrae - This form of the monastic office is commonly adapted for congregational use during Holy Week. The office is structured around psalms, readings, and responsories. A distinguishing characteristic of this service is the series of readings from Lamentations which appear early in the office. The distinctive ceremonial of Tenebrae includes use of fifteen lighted candles, often set on a special, triangular stand. One candle is extinguished as each of the fourteen appointed psalms is completed. The fifteenth candle, symbolic of Christ, is left lighted at the end of the final psalm. But it is carried away to be hidden, which signifies the apparent victory of the forces of evil. A sudden loud noise is made at the end of the service, symbolizing the earthquake at Christ's death. The lighted candle is then restored to its place, suggesting Christ's eventual triumph. The Book of Occasional Services includes Tenebrae as an option for use on Wednesday in Holy Week.



April 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
					Frederick Denison Maurice 	James Lloyd Breck 1
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
5 th Sunday of Lent Holy Eucharist 10am JOIN OUR LIVE STREAM EVERY SUNDAY 10AM	Martin Luther King Jr. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING SOUTHEAST BAPTIST CHURCH APRIL 4 - 1968 Victims of Violence Remembrance	Harriet Starr Cannon April is Sexual Assault Awareness & Prevention Month	 National Walking Day	Bishop Tikhon INTERNATIONAL DAY OF REFLECTION ON THE GENOCIDE AGAINST THE TUTSI IN RWANDA	William Augustus Muhlenberg 	 3 POW Remembrance Day
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
 Palm Sunday JOIN OUR LIVE STREAM EVERY SUNDAY 10AM VESTRY MEETING	Kim Roberts Morning Prayer Monday in Holy Week 11:30am		Wednesday in Holy Week	 MAUNDY Thursday 6:30:00 PM	Stations of the Cross at Noon GOOD FRIDAY 6:30:00 PM	Conner Mowery 3
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
 Easter Sunday Holy Eucharist 10am JOIN OUR LIVE STREAM EVERY SUNDAY 10AM	 WE BELIEVE BLACK LIVES MATTER LOVE IS LOVE FEMINISM IS FOR EVERYONE NO HUMAN BEING IS ILLEGAL SCIENCE IS REAL BE KIND TO ALL			Steve Mincer 		 We need you! 4
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Thomas Sunday Holy Eucharist 10am JOIN OUR LIVE STREAM EVERY SUNDAY 10AM	St. Mark 		Zita of Tuscany 		Catherine of Siena 	
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