

**JUNE 27, 2021**

**THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

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**Propers for 8:00 am Eucharist:**

Page 223, Introit: Psalm 27.1-7; Gradual: Psalm 9.9-12

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**EVENTS AT A GLANCE**

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>TRINITY IV</b> 8:00 am Said Eucharist 9:30 am Sung Eucharist ( <i>live streamed</i> ) 11:00 am Sung Eucharist 4:00 pm Evensong Prelude, followed by Evensong (on Zoom) 4:45 pm Coffee Hour (on Zoom)
Tues. June 29	12:15 pm – <b>THE FEAST OF SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL</b>
Wed. June 30	7:30 pm – <b>Praying with the Masters Today</b>
Sun. July 4	<b>THE PATRONAL FESTIVAL</b> 8:00 am Said Eucharist ( <i>please register</i> ) 9:30 am Sung Eucharist ( <i>live streamed</i> ) 11:00 am Sung Eucharist ( <i>please register, to attend in person</i> ) 3:00 pm Special Coffee Hour (on Zoom – <i>see article</i> ) 4:00 pm Evensong Prelude, followed by Evensong (on Zoom)
Sun. July 11	<b>SAINT BENEDICT OF NURSIA</b>
Sun. July 18	<b>TRINITY VII</b>
Sun. July 25	<b>SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE</b>

**LIMITED RE-OPENING OF ST THOMAS'S FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP** at 8 am and 11 am

Provincial and Diocesan protocols now permit us to re-open with limited attendance so that physical distancing can be maintained. At St Thomas's this effectively means a total of 40 people at one time. We look forward to welcoming congregations at 8 and 11 am beginning June 13. For contact tracing purposes, please register on EventBrite via the parish website [www.stthomas.on.ca](http://www.stthomas.on.ca) or by calling 416 979-2323 x 4.

Please note that congregational singing is still not permitted. With a congregation present, more of the liturgy at 11 am will be said than was the case on youtube during lockdown.

The 9:30 and 11:00 am Eucharists will continue on YouTube and the 4:00 pm Recital, Evensong and Coffee Hour on Zoom.

Fr D'Angelo and I are available to administer the sacraments in person. Please do not hesitate to be in touch with us. We urge you to get vaccinated, not only for your own safety but for the good of all. Let us know if we can help facilitate that. Pray for all those in our province and city affected by Covid 19, and around the world where vaccines are not readily available. May God give our leaders the wisdom to ensure that people everywhere have access to this protection.

Yours faithfully,

The Rev'd Canon David Brinton OGS  
Interim Priest-in-Charge

**INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH:** The Territorial Acknowledgement included in the service leaflets during June calls to mind the month's designation by both the Federal Government and the Anglican Church as a time to reflect on the role of Indigenous communities in our national and ecclesial life. The annual observance takes on particular urgency and poignancy this year as more and more graves are discovered on the sites of former Residential Schools.

**BISHOP OF TORONTO'S APOLOGY TO LGBT+ COMMUNITY:** After consultation with other diocesan leaders, Bishop Asbil made a formal apology to the LGBT+ community on June 25 in St James Cathedral. The text and a video link are available on the diocesan website at [www.anglican.toronto.ca](http://www.anglican.toronto.ca)

**FR DAVID BRINTON** will conclude his appointment as Interim Priest in Charge next Sunday July 4, the Patronal Festival.

**SAYING THANK YOU AND GOODBYE TO FR BRINTON NEXT SUNDAY**

To mark the occasion of his last Sunday, a presentation will be made to Fr Brinton in person after the 11:00 am Eucharist on July 4. A special coffee hour will take place from 3:00 to 4:00 pm on Zoom prior to evensong as an opportunity for us to thank him for his leadership and many contributions to the parish over this most unprecedented past year and a half. All are invited to attend. Look for Zoom login information in next week's Mailchimp.

**FR NATHAN HUMPHREY** begins his ministry as Rector of St Thomas's on July 5. He will remain in the United States until the rectory is ready for occupancy in the middle of July. With the able assistance of Fr D'Angelo he will carry out most of his duties on line until then.

**RECTORY CAMPAIGN REACHES ITS GOAL:** The parish is enormously grateful to our generous donors, and to Willem Hart, Michael Rowlands, Rob Kennedy, the wardens and all who have worked so hard to bring this project to fruition. We expect the Rectory will be ready for the Humphrey family by July 16.

## PRAYING WITH THE MASTERS TODAY

Four Wednesdays in June from 7:30 to 8:30 pm on Zoom:  
June 9, 16, 23 and 30



*Praying Monk*, 1826, Johann  
Friedrich Overbeck,  
National Gallery of Art,  
Washington, D.C.

**June 9** - Introduction—What is Christian Mysticism?  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q48GAOajGbU>

**June 16** - *Contemplative Insights from Early Christianity*—  
Origen of Alexandria, Evagrius Ponticus, John Cassian  
and Gregory the Great  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TNJuviWD2-A>

**June 23** - *Lectio Divina and Contemplatio*—Contribution  
of the Cistercians and Carthusians  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zOPHXKIP15M>

**June 30** - Meister Eckhart and Julian of Norwich on  
Prayer  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EVIE52n7wxQ>

Zoom login details will be sent out each week through  
the parish's weekly mailchimp e-blast.

Participants are asked to watch the assigned Youtube video on their own before attending each session (see the links above). Each meeting will be an opportunity to discuss the content of the video as a group.

These four lectures by Bernard McGinn were presented in 2017 as part of the 34th annual John Main Seminar hosted by the World Council of Christian Meditation (WCCM) USA at the University of St Thomas in Houston, Texas.

**Professor Bernard McGinn** is the Naomi Shenstone Donnelley Professor Emeritus of Historical Theology and of the History of Christianity at the University of Chicago Divinity School