

The Holy Eucharist

with Reaffirmation of Baptismal & Ordination Vows,
& Blessing of Holy Oils

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Thank you for joining the Cathedral community for worship on this Tuesday of Holy Week. All are welcome to view the livestream in this historic Anglican Cathedral Church located in the heart of Vancouver on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.



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THE HOLY OILS

In recent years the practice in the Diocese of New Westminster has been to bless two oils at the Chrism Mass in Holy Week, the Oil of Chrism and the Oil for the Sick. In the tradition of the western church there is the provision of a third oil, the Oil of Catechumens. This year, the Bishop will bless all three oils, allowing parishes access to the Oil for the Signing of the Cross in addition to the Oil of Chrism and the Oil for the Sick.

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The Oil of Chrism

Baptism is the sacramental sign of our union with Christ, and of God's gift to us of the Holy Spirit, to make us God's children by adoption and grace, and to equip us for the share that all Christians have in Christ's own ministry. The New Testament speaks of this gift of the Holy Spirit as an anointing (*1 John 2:20-27; 2 Corinthians 1:21-22*). From an early date, it became customary to trace the sign of the cross in oil on the heads of candidates for baptism, and to anoint them again after baptism with the *Oil of Chrism*—a sign of incorporation into the prophetic, priestly and royal life of Jesus the Christ, the Anointed One.

This oil has also come to be used (after practice in the Hebrew Scriptures) for the setting apart of people and things for a special place in the life of the Church, for bishops and priests at their ordination, for kings and queens at their crowning, and for churches and altars at their consecration.

The Oil of the Sick

The Letter of James urges its recipients to anoint the sick with oil (*James 5:15*), as a sign of the healing and forgiveness that are also given through the Holy Spirit (*Mark 6:13*). In earlier times use of this oil was largely restricted to persons in the Last Rites at the point of death. Thankfully it is now common practice to make regular use of this provision, as a sign of God's longing for healing and wholeness for everyone.

The Oil for Catechumens

(for those who wish to use it)

In part of the tradition, the *Catechumens*, those preparing during Lent for baptism at Easter, were signed with the Cross near the beginning of their instruction. It has now become the practice in some churches for candidates for Confirmation or Re-affirmation to be signed with the Cross using this oil at the beginning of their course of preparation.

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CHRISM MASS

Gathering of the Community

Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

Litany for Ordinations

Leader God the Father,
All **Have mercy on us.**

Leader God the Son,
All **Have mercy on us.**

Leader God the Holy Spirit,
All **Have mercy on us.**

Leader Holy Trinity, one God,
All **Have mercy on us.**

Leader We pray to you, Lord Christ.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love,
and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry,
that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For John, our bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons,
that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth,
and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader That he may faithfully fulfil the duties of this ministry,
build up your Church, and glorify your name, we pray to you, O Lord.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit he may be sustained
and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease
and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness
it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith,
that they may receive the light of the gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For ourselves: for the forgiveness of our sins,
and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For all who have died in the communion of the Church,
and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints,
they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief,
but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints,
let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

All **To you, O Lord.**

Collect of the Day
Bishop O God of unchangeable power and eternal light:
Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery;
by the effectual working of your providence,
carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation;
let the whole world see and know that things
which were cast down are being raised up,
and things which had grown old are being made new,
and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him
through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen**

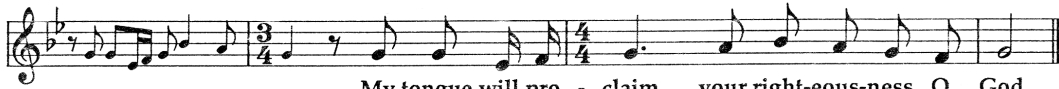
Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm 71

Setting: Peter Hallock



My tongue will pro - claim your right-eous-ness, O God.

In you, O lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be ashamed.
In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;
incline your ear to me and save me. *Antiphon*

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;
you are my crag and my stronghold.
Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor. *Antiphon*

For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.
I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
from my mother's womb you have been my strength;
my praise shall always be of you. *Antiphon*

My mouth shall recount your mighty acts and saving deeds all day long;
though I cannot know the number of them.
O God you have taught me since I was young,
and to this day I tell of your wonderful works. *Antiphon*

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Gradual Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (*CP 386*)

Text: Isaac Watts (1674–1748); Music: Melody *Psalmody in Miniature*, 2nd Supplement, 1780?; harm. Edward Miller (1731–1807); desc. David R. Riley (1947–); ROCKINGHAM

1. When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the cross of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.
3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Gospel

John 12:20-36

Homily

Bishop John Stephens

Renewal of Baptismal & Ordination Vows

- Bishop* Dear friends, all baptized people are called to make Christ known as Saviour and Lord, and to share in the work of renewing the world. Among the baptized, some are called as deacons, priests and bishops with special responsibilities within the Body of Christ.
- Bishop* Do all of you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?
All **I do.**
- Bishop* Do all of you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
All **I do.**
- Bishop* Do all of you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
All **I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Saviour and Lord.**
- Bishop* Do you who are deacons and priests, in the presence of Christ and his Church, renew your commitment to your ministry, under the pastoral direction of your bishop?
Deacons & Priests I do.
- Bishop* Do you who are deacons and priests reaffirm your promise to give yourself to prayer and study?
Deacons & Priests I do.
- Bishop* Do you who are deacons and priests reaffirm your promise to love and serve all those committed to your care, patterning your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to your people?
Deacons & Priests I do.
- Bishop* Do you who are deacons rededicate yourselves to serving all people, particularly the poor, the weak, the sick and the lonely and will you continue to interpret to the Church the needs, concern and hopes of the world?
Deacons I do.
- Bishop* Do you who are priests reaffirm your promise to minister the Word of God and the Sacraments of the New Covenant so that the reconciling love of Christ may be known and received?
Priests I do.
- Bishop* And now I ask you who are deacons and priests to invite us who are bishops to rededicate ourselves and reaffirm the promises we made when we were ordained.
- Deacons & Priests* Do you rededicate yourselves to the apostolic ministry to which you were called and do you reaffirm the promises you made when you were ordained?
Bishop I do.
- The Peace*

Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Hymn

My Song is Love Unknown (*CP 184*)

Text: Samuel Crossman (1624?–1683), alt.;

Music: John N. Ireland (1879–1962); LOVE UNKNOWN

1. My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me;
love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.
O who am I, that for my sake
my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
2. He came from his blest throne
salvation to bestow;
but all made strange, and none
the longed for Christ would know:
but O my friend, my friend indeed,
who at my need his life did spend!
3. Sometime they strew his way,
and his sweet praises sing,
resounding all the day
hosanna to their King;
then "Crucify!" is all their breath,
and for his death they thirst and cry.
4. Why, what has my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries! Yet they at these
themselves displease
and 'gainst him rise.
5. They rise and needs will have
my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save,
the Prince of life they slay.
Yet cheerful he to suffering goes,
that he his foes from thence might free.
6. Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine;
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine!
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend.

Prayer over the Gifts

Bishop

Source of life,
accept all we offer you this day,
and turn us from sin and death,
that we may share in the tree of life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All

Amen

Blessing of the Ciborium

Bishop

Grant, O Lord that those who with this sacred vessel
commemorate the sacrifice of your dear Son may be sustained by your presence,
and that those who receive the Holy Mysteries from it
may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Bishop

The Lord be with you.

All

And also with you.

Bishop

Lift up your hearts.

All

We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Bishop

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who for our salvation became obedient unto death.
The tree of defeat became the tree of victory:
where life was lost, life has been restored.
Therefore with angels and archangels and all the heavenly chorus,
we cry out to proclaim the glory of your name:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (CP 735)

Music: *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert (1797 – 1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937 –)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bishop

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

All

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Bishop

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you,
Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Bishop

All

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Bishop

All

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ
We who are many are one body for we all share in the one bread.

Bishop

All

The gifts of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

During Communion

Restore in Us, O God (*CP 178*)

Text: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (1944–); Music: James Hopkirk (1908–1972); BELLWOODS

1. Restore in us, O God, the splendor of your love;
renew your image in our hearts, and all our sins remove.
2. O Spirit, wake in us the wonder of your power;
from fruitless fear unfurl our lives like springtime bud and flower.
3. Bring us, O Christ, to share the fullness of your joy;
baptize us in the risen life that death cannot destroy.
4. Three-personed God, fulfill the promise of your grace,
that we, when our searching ends, may see you face to face.

Concluding Rite & Blessing of Chrism & Unction

Prayer after Communion

Bishop

Lord God, in baptism you anoint us with your Holy Spirit,
and in this Eucharist you feed us with the bread of life.
Strengthen us in our ministry of service that we may preach good news to the poor,
proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind,
set at liberty those who are oppressed, and proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.
This we ask in the name of Jesus, the Christ, our Lord.

All

Amen

The oils are presented to the Bishop at the Altar.

Chrism Hymn

Blest by the Sun

Text: from an early Latin hymn, trans. Richard Rutt; Music: Percy Buck; WAREHAM

1. Blest by the sun, the olive tree
Brought clusters of fair fruit to birth,
Whose ripeness now we bring with prayer
Lord Christ, redeemer of the earth.
2. Eternal King, look down and bless
The oil your servants offer here,
And may it be a lively sign
Which all the pow'rs of darkness fear.
3. From those washed in the sacred font
Let Satan's influence depart,
And when this oil the brow shall seal
Transforming grace invade the heart.
4. Our wounded nature thus be healed
By your anointing grace, O Lord;
In men and women so renewed
Shall God's own image be restored.

Blessing of the Chrism

Bishop

Dear Friends in Christ: in the beginning,
the Spirit of God hovered over the creation;
and, throughout history, God, by the gift of the Holy Spirit,
has empowered God's people for service through Baptism,
has consoled us and brought healing,
has encouraged us on our pilgrimage of faith.

Let us pray. (*silence*)

Gracious God, send your Holy Spirit on this oil
that those who are sealed with this Chrism
may share in the royal priesthood of Christ.

O God of peace, bless this oil
that those who receive this holy unction
may be restored to wholeness and strength.

God, our strength and shield, bless this oil,
that those signed with it as they prepare to renew their vows
may know the triumph of the cross.

Amen

All

Silence

Bishop

God our maker, source of all growth in holiness,
accept the joyful thanks and praise we offer in the name of your Church.
In the beginning, at your command, the earth produced fruit-bearing trees.
From the fruit of the olive tree you have provided us with
oil for holy chrism, unction and catechumenate.

The prophet David sang of the life and joy
that the oil would bring us in the sacraments of your love.
After the avenging flood, the dove returning to Noah with an olive branch,
announcing your gift of peace.
This was a sign of a greater gift to come.
Now the waters of baptism wash away the sins of all
and by anointing with olive oil you make us radiant with your joy.

We pray you to consecrate these oils,
that those who are sealed with them
may know healing, faith and share in the royal priesthood of Jesus Christ;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All

Amen

The last two verses of the Chrism Hymn are sung:

5. Lord Christ, the Father's only Son,
Who took our flesh in Mary's womb,
Give light to your anointed ones
And break the power of death's dark tomb
6. So may this joyous paschal feast,
The time when saving grace is giv'n
Fill every Christian soul with praise,
And raise our minds from earth to heav'n. Amen.

Bishop

All

Glory to God,
whose power working in us
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

The Episcopal Blessing

Dismissal

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