



# ST BARNABAS

Apostle & Martyr



*Preaching of St John the Baptist. Fresco. Domenico Ghirlandaio (1448-1494)*

*20<sup>th</sup> December 2020 – 8:30am*

## The Fourth Sunday in Advent

# Low Mass

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*Please stand for the entrance of the sacred ministers.*

## Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*Versicle* The Angel of the Lord appeared unto Mary;

*Response* **All generations shall call her blessed.**

*Versicle* Behold the handmaid of the Lord;

*Response* **Be it unto me according to thy word.**

*Versicle* And the Word was made flesh;

*Response* **And dwelt among us.**

*Celebrant* We praise thee, our Father, for the wonderful news announced to Mary. We thank thee for her trust and love, and for her ready obedience to thy will. Give us grace and obedience, that we may be counted worthy to bear the good news to the world, and that thy Son came to save all people.

*People* **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**Introit** *Memento nostri*

*Psalm 106:4,5*

Remember us, O Lord, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people; O visit us with thy salvation: that we beholding the felicity of thy chosen, may rejoice in the gladness of thy people; and may glory with thine inheritance. *Ps 106:6.* We have sinned with our fathers: we have done amiss and dealt wickedly. Glory be ... Remember us ...

## The Collect for Purity

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## Summary of the Law

*Celebrant* OUR Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

## Kyrie

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us

*People* Christ, have mercy upon us

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you;

*People* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

RAISE up, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and ever. Amen.

**The Epistle** *Philippians 4. 4.*

REJOICE in the Lord alway, and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. In nothing be anxious: but in every thing, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

**Gradual** *Prope est Dominus* *Psalm 145:19,22*

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.

℣. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name.

**Alleluia** *Veni, Domine* *Psalm 85:2*

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Come, O Lord, and tarry not: forgive the misdeeds of thy people. Alleluia.

**The Gospel** *St John 1. 19.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant* ✠ The Holy Gospel is written in the first chapter of the Gospel according to St John, beginning at the nineteenth verse.

*People* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

THIS is the witness of John, when the Jews sent Priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; and he confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elijah? And he said, I am not. Art thou the Prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Isaiah. And they which were sent were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said unto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet? John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not: he it is who cometh after me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose. These things were done in Bethany beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing. The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**Nicene Creed**

*Celebrant* I BELIEVE in one God

*All* the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was

buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

**Sermon**

Fr Stewart Murray

**THE OFFERTORY**

*Celebrant* As we have opportunity, let us do good unto all men; and especially unto them that are of the household of faith.

*Galatians 6. 10.*

*Celebrant* BLESSED be thou, LORD God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine.

*People* All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

*1 Chronicles 29. 10, 11, 14.*

**The Intercession**

*Celebrant* Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.

Let us pray for peace on earth and for the unity of all Christian people.

Let us pray for our missionaries at home and abroad.

Let us remember before God those of our brethren who have departed this life and are at rest

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

*Celebrant* ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: And grant unto thy servant ELIZABETH our Queen, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servant Shane our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially *Patricia Boyce, Geoffrey, Joshua, Roger Beland, Emma and Family, Vera Iodko, Jarod, Emily, David Blackman, Murray Nash, Mary and Rob, Ronald Bentley, Fr. Matthew Borden, Mary Davis, Quinn Smith, Morris Redman, Phyllis James, Bart Beglo, Ann Dobbins, George Stonyk, Therese, Chris Belardi, James Hallett, Marion Greene, Thomas Tims, Olivia, John Gibbard, Jesse and family, Monique Charette Clayton, Diana Favre, Angela Tims, John Fallows, June, Arto, Bishop Michael Hawkins, Fr Todd Meaker, Gilles Roussel, and for all living with anxiety and depression.*

We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee, *remembering especially Elspeth Rourke, Fr Bill Craig, Elizabeth Davis, Kenneth Harwood, Rick Holborn, Robert Tapley, and members of our family and friends*; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

### **The Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant* YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

*All* ALMIGHTY God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Celebrant* ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION**

*Celebrant* THE Lord be with you;  
*People* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts;  
*People* We lift them up unto the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;  
*People* It is meet and right so to do.

*Celebrant* IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

### **Sanctus and Benedictus**

HOLY, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

BLESSED is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

*Celebrant*

BLESSING and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*People* Amen.

### **THE COMMUNION**

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say,

*All* OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

#### **The Fraction and Pax**

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

## **The Prayer of Humble Access**

*Celebrant* We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

## **Agnus Dei**

O LAMB of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

## **Invitation to Communion**

*Celebrant* Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world.  
*All* Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof,  
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

*Communion will be received in one kind only, and will be administered at a rail situated at the foot of the Chancel steps in the Nave. Please observe the distance markers on the carpet as you advance towards the rail. You may kneel or stand as the Sacred Host is placed into your hand. Once consumed, replace your mask, and return to your pew by one of the side aisles.*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* ALMIGHTY and everliving God,  
we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen

## **The Blessing**

*Celebrant* THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

## Christmastide Services

### Christmas Eve

**7:30pm** Missa cantata (sung mass)  
with Devotions at the Crèche

**10:00pm** Procession, Blessing of the Crèche  
and Missa cantata

### Christmas Day

**9:30am** Morning Prayer  
**10:30am** Missa cantata

**Sunday, 27th December, Christmas I**

**8:00am** Morning Prayer  
**8:30am** Low Mass  
**10:30am** Missa cantata

**Please note that is important to register in advance** for the mass that you wish to attend.

Contact the parish office at 613-232-6992 or send an email to [stbarnabas@primus.ca](mailto:stbarnabas@primus.ca).

### Christmas Dedications

Anyone wishing to contribute to the cost of flowers and lights, please contact Ronald Bentley at 613-822-1911 or [rwbentley@sympatico.ca](mailto:rwbentley@sympatico.ca), with the names of those whom you wish to be remembered.

### Prayer Book Society Calendars

An Anglican Church Calendar, 2021; a Classical Anglican calendar, published by St. Peter Publications Inc., Charlottetown, PEI, is based upon the historic Christian Year of the church, as it appears in the Book of Common Prayer (Canada, 1962). To obtain your copy at \$8.00 each, please contact Wesley Warren if interested, who will have them available on Sunday mornings.

### Virtual Advent Lessons and Carols

The Advent Carol service which premiered last week is available for viewing on our website, and YouTube.

The choir's CD "Exsultate Deo" is available at \$20 per copy after Mass. It makes a great Christmas gift!

### A Message from the Treasurer

**2021 Box Envelopes have arrived!** If you wish to receive Box Envelopes, please send an email to the Treasurer: [treasurer@stbarnabasottawa.com](mailto:treasurer@stbarnabasottawa.com)

If you are already using Box Envelopes this year and you don't wish to receive Box Envelopes for 2021, please let our Treasurer know that also.

If you would like to use our monthly automated deduction system or "PAR", please send an email to our Treasurer and he will forward an application form to you. PAR is our simplest and least-expensive means of giving to the Church of St. Barnabas A&M. It is very flexible and easy to do.

**2020 Charitable Tax receipts.** We are considering the possibility of issuing tax receipts by email. If that is possible and you wish to receive your 2020 Charitable Tax Receipt by email, please send an email to the Treasurer so that we can confirm your preferred email address to receive your 2020 receipt.

**2020 Donations Cut-off Date.** If you wish to make a special donation as we approach Christmas, you can do that easily through a cheque dated in 2020 by mail to the Church, or alternatively by an Interac eTransfer to the Treasurer, or through [CanadaHelps.org](http://CanadaHelps.org).

All donations for 2020 must be received whether online, by Interac eTransfer, or by mail (cheque) by 31 December 2020.

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