



RITE II - HOLY EUCHARIST: THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
11:15AM - SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

THE REVEREND DR. ROMAN D. ROLDAN - RECTOR
THE REVEREND DR. ALVARO PINZON - ASSOCIATE RECTOR
THE REVEREND LEESA LEWIS - CURATE

WELCOME

If you are new or visiting, please let an usher know so that we can connect with you!

CHILDCARE/NURSERY IS OPEN FOR CHILDREN AGES: INFANTS-5 YRS OLD (8:45AM-12:15PM)

The nursery is located in the north wing of the BEC (Bentley Education Center). Enter thru the doors under the porte-cochere. Children's Chapel will be dismissed after the Collect. The children will return to the worship service during the announcements.

PRAYGROUND: WORSHIP SPACE RESERVED FOR YOUNG CHILDREN AND THEIR PARENTS

Located near the choir loft. A soft space with soft toys and floor space for little ones to get the wiggles and giggles out during service while getting a front row seat to all the parts of worship. Pews available in the area or nearby for parental supervision. "Worship Helps" available for older children in the back of the church.

The Parlor (near the restrooms) is also available to Nursing Moms that wish to have more privacy. Changing tables are located in both restrooms.

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WORSHIP TIMES: SUNDAYS - 7:45AM, 9:00AM, 9:01AM (SPANISH), 11:15AM

Please note that this service is being livestreamed and members of the congregation may be captured on camera during communion and other parts of the service.

Our Mission is to unite all people with the love of God

THE WORD OF GOD

ENTRANCE HYMN *All standing.*

HYMNAL 492

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

The Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The Celebrant continues with the Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Celebrant continues with following

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *Sung*

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

At this time, all children ages 3-3rd grade are invited to meet at the back of the church and follow the Children's Chapel Cross and adult leaders to your designated Chapel space in the BEC. The Children will return to the service during the announcements.

THE FIRST READING *The people sit.*

ACTS 4:5-12

⁵The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' ¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23 *Chanted by the choir*

When "ANT." is printed, congregation joins in antiphon response printed below.



The LORD _____ is _____ my _____ shep - herd; I shall not be _____ in want. _____

1 *The Lord is my shepherd; **

I shall not be in want.

2 *He makes me lie down in green pastures **

and leads me beside still waters. ANT.

3 *He revives my soul **

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 *Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,*

*I shall fear no evil; * for you are with me;*

your rod and your staff, they comfort me. ANT.

5 *You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; **

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup is running over.

6 *Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, **

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. ANT.

SECOND READING

1 JOHN 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? ¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN *All standing.*

HYMNAL 645

The King of Love my shepherd is

HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 10:11-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

[Jesus said,] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Leesa Lewis

THE NICENE CREED

All standing and saying together,

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The People respond to all the petitions with

Lord, have mercy.

The prayers conclude with

In the communion of Blessed Dunstan, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People **To you, O Lord Our God.**

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

At this time you may exchange the sign of peace with those around you - wave, bow, give the peace sign, etc. or verbally acknowledge those around you saying "peace be with you" or "good morning".

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

YOU CAN ALSO GIVE ONLINE AT WWW.SAINTDUNSTANS.ORG/GIVE.

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR OUR PAYPAL DONATION SITE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.



The Celebrant says,

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Jesus, our mighty Lord

HYMNAL 478

set to hymn 564

THE PRESENTATION OF ALMS AND OBLATIONS

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts. The People stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar, singing

Doxology

Hymn 618

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Celebrant says

All things come of Thee, O Lord,

People **and of Thine own have we given Thee.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

RITE II - EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

SANCTUS *Sung*

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***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People sing

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**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. Remember our bishops, Andrew, Jeff, Kai, Scott, and Hector, and all who minister in your Church. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Blessed Dunstan, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.



And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant, kneeling

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 those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

HYMNAL S 155

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and a period of silence is kept, then is sung



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's Table. To receive Holy Communion follow the direction of the ushers towards the altar. Place your hands together (palms upward), receive the host, and carefully dip the host in the chalice before consuming, or drink from the cup. If you wish to only receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. Prayer teams offering prayers for healing and thanksgiving are stationed in the chapel. You may go before or after you receive the Eucharist.

COMMUNION HYMN

HYMNAL 343

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The People kneel. The Celebrant and People say

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING *The Priest blesses the people,*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always.

People Amen.

HYMN OF MISSION

HYMNAL 708

Savior, like a shepherd lead us

THE DISMISSAL

After the Hymn of Mission is sung, from the back of the church the Priest dismisses the people, who respond

Thanks be to God.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for clergy & staff given by Sister Veronica Noelle.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOCIAL BUTTERFLIES APRIL 27

Save the date for Social Butterflies Brunch on April 27! Make sure you're on the e-vite list! Email Kathie @ elliottkt@att.net or Gloria @ momdpm@swbell.net

WELCOME LUNCH APRIL 28

New to St. Dunstan's or have questions about membership? Join us for lunch at 12:15pm and see what St. Dunstan's has to offer as your church home! RSVP at www.saintdunstans.org/welcomelunch or use the shortcut on our Linktree.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of Safeguarded individuals to help make sure our nursery always has a minimum of two Safeguarded adults. Email Dede Johnson if you're available to volunteer! djohnson@saintdunstans.org

ST. D'S LINKTREE

Welcome to your one-stop-shop for all St. Dunstan's links! You will find short cuts to frequently accessed website pages, our social media & more. Scan the QR Code here or in your pew!



ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC MAY 19TH

Mark your calendars for our Annual Parish Picnic **May 19th 4-8pm at Swanny's Grill!** Enjoy food, games, & fun for the whole family! RSVP required but attendance is free! Scan the QR Code to register.



COMMUTER ALERT

The Vintage Half Marathon may affect your drive to church next Sunday, April 28th. Scan the QR Code for the Course map



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION TRIP JULY 13-21 2024

Planning for our annual DR Mission Trip has begun! If you are interested in attending this trip, please email Fr. Roman in the next couple of weeks so flights can be secured soon!
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INTRODUCING THE ST. DUNSTAN'S MARKET!

Formerly known as Street of Shoppes, the First Annual St. Dunstan's Market will take place on October 26th, 2024. The Market will feature outside vendors, crafts by the SOS crafters, a snack shop and more! We are thrilled to be bringing back our tradition of a Fall Market in a new format. Proceeds will benefit our outreach efforts and will enable St. Dunstan's to continue offering support to Hope Center Houston, Lord of the Streets, Northwest Assistance Ministries, Lakota Cheyenne River Reservation, Seafarer's Ministry, Hispanic ministries, and various mission trips.

If you are interested in being a part of this wonderful event, email Shelley Smith at saintdunstansmarket@yahoo.com