



THE FEAST OF SAINT ALBAN  
FIRST MARTYR OF BRITAIN (22 JUNE 304)  
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2021  
10:00 AM IN-PERSON & ON-LINE

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Celebrant** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People** *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Celebrant**

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.**

### OPENING ANTHEM

**Celebrant** Lord, have mercy.

**People** *Christ, have mercy.*

**Celebrant** Lord, have mercy.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

**People** *And also with you.*

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

Almighty God, by whose grace and power your holy martyr Alban triumphed over suffering and was faithful even unto death: Grant to us, who now remember him with thanksgiving, to be so faithful in our witness to you in this world, that we may receive with him the crown of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### THE LESSON

*Please be seated.*

**Reader** A Reading from the First Letter of John.

### 1 John 3:13-16

<sup>13</sup>Do not be astonished, brothers and sisters,\* that the world hates you. <sup>14</sup>We know that we have passed from death to life because we love one another. Whoever does not love abides in death. <sup>15</sup>All who hate a brother or sister\* are murderers, and you know that murderers do not have eternal life abiding in them. <sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another.

**Reader** The Word of the Lord.  
**People** *Thanks be to God.*

## GOSPEL

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Gospeler** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
**People** *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

### Matthew 10:34-42

34 'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

<sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;

<sup>36</sup> and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

<sup>37</sup>Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup>and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

40 'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup>Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; <sup>42</sup>and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

**Gospeler** The Gospel of the Lord.  
**People** *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

### THE SERMON

THE REVEREND JIM COOK, ASSISTING PRIEST

### THE NICENE CREED

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Reader** Please join me in affirming our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

*All say 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.*

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Please remain standing, sit, or kneel as you are able.*

#### **Reader**

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's church and the world.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s); for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people, especially those suffering from COVID-19, those caring for them, and those working on treatments. Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, those on our parish prayer list, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

**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.**

**PEACE**

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

**People** *And also with you.*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please be seated.*

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## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY**

**Celebrant**

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

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*Please stand as you are able while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

**Celebrant**

All things come of thee Oh Lord, and of thine own have we given thee. **Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING [EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A]**

**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.*

**Celebrant**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you are greatly glorified in the assembly of your saints. All your creatures praise you, and your faithful servants bless you, confessing before the rulers of this world the great Name of your only Son.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## THE SANCTUS

*Celebrant and People say or sing together*

**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.***

### **Celebrant**

*Please remain standing, sit, or kneel.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People say together*

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

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

*Celebrant and People say together*

*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.*

#### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**Celebrant** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**People** *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*All baptized people of any age or denomination are invited to take Holy Communion.*

- † *The consecrated host [blessed wafer] represents full communion.*
- † *You may take consecrated wine by intinction [dipping] of your wafer.*
- † *If you need a gluten-free wafer, let the priest know by cupping your hands.*
- † *If you would rather receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest when you reach the front of the line.*

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

##### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People say together*

*Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the  
spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of  
your Son,*

*and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever.  
Amen.*

#### **BLESSING**

*The Celebrant says a blessing over the People.*

#### **DISMISSAL**

**Celebrant** Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
**People** *Thanks be to God.*

## WORSHIP MINISTERS

Preacher & Celebrant: *The Reverend Jim Cook, Assisting Priest* | Reader: *Patti Peacock*

Worship Support: *Kelsey Cooper, Barbara Frazzell, LoriAnn Lavallee, Anne Morley, Nancy Phillips, Brad Powell*

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## PARISH PRAYER LIST

Contact [office@stlukesonthelake.org](mailto:office@stlukesonthelake.org) to add yourself or a loved one to this list.

*Names remain on this list for four weeks unless otherwise requested.*

*Names of those who have died are read during Prayers of the People for two weeks.*

***Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, especially:***

**These Members and Loved Ones Serving Our Country:** Amos, Brian, Christine F., Christine M., Christopher, Isabelle, Jacob, Jason, Mark, Marshall, Phillip, Raymond, Russell, Scott, Travis, Weston.

**These Members and Loved Ones Who Are COVID-19 Heroes:** Anna, April, Aurelia, Bethany, Beau, Brenda, Brett, Christine, Daryl, Dennis, Dustin, Elizabeth, Jason, Jenny, Jim, Laura, Lucia, Michelle, Niki, Noël, Pito, Rick & Wendy, Riley, Ryan, Sherry, Sterling, Tamara.

**Those Whose Needs Have Been Made Known to Us:** Allen, Allison, Ann, Becky, Beverly, Bob, Breese, Caitlin, Carol, Carol & Ross, Carolyn, Cathy, Chris G., Chris M., Christy and David, Craig, Dana, David, Dene, Donnie, Eleanor, Elle & Jared, Elizabeth, Georgia, George, Hester, Jack, Jacob, Joan, JoAnne, John F., John H., John & Suzy, Karen, Karen K., Kay, Julia & Jack, Kelly, Kimberley, Kitty, Kristi, Maddy, Marilyn, Mark, Mary, Mary Alice, Nancy, Nelle, Pam, Pat, Rachel, Raymond & Margaret, Robbie, Todd, Tom, Tommye, the Clement Family, the Labit Family, the Roberts Family, the Watson Family, the Fuselier Family.

**Those Who Have Died:** Celia Rae Hawkins, grandmother of Kelsey Cooper.



## THE FEAST OF SAINT ALBAN FIRST MARTYR OF BRITAIN (22 JUNE 304)

There were probably Christians in the British Isles already in the first century. However, Alban is the first recorded Christian martyr. The traditional date of his death is 304, during the persecution under the Emperor Diocletian; but many scholars now date it as around 209, during the persecution under the Emperor Septimius Severus. Alban was a pagan, and a soldier in the Roman Army. He gave shelter to a Christian priest who was fleeing from arrest, and in the next few days the two talked at length, and Alban became a Christian. When officers came in search of the priest, Alban met them, dressed in the priest's cloak, and they mistook him for the priest and arrested him. He refused to renounce his new faith, and was beheaded. He thus became the first Christian martyr in Britain. The second was the executioner who was to kill him, but who heard his testimony and was so impressed that he became a Christian on the spot, and refused to kill Alban. The third was the priest, who when he learned that Alban had been arrested in his place, hurried to the court in the hope of saving Alban by turning himself in. The place of their deaths is near the site of St. Alban's Cathedral today.



*A short history of St. Alban may be found at [St. Alban's Cathedral website](http://www.stalban.org.uk/).*

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