

**ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
in the heart of the historic Stockade District  
**THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY, YEAR A – 15 JANUARY 2023**  
**HIGH MASS — RITE I, 10AM**  
The Reverend Peter Schofield, *Celebrant & Preacher*  
Dr. Brian J. Taylor, AAGO, *Director of Music Ministry*

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**MASS SETTING**      Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena      *Healey Willan (1880-1968)*

**THE PREPARATION OF SACRED MINISTERS IN THE LADY CHAPEL**

*The Sacred Ministers, Servers & Choir offer Preparatory Prayers prior to the Entrance Procession*

**THE ENTRANCE, HYMN 7**      Christ, whose glory fills the skies      *Ratisbon*

**THE INTROIT**      *Sung by the Cantor*

All the earth shall worship thee O God and sing of thee; they shall sing praises to thy Name O most highest. Ps. O be joyful in God all ye lands; sing praises unto the honor of his Name; make his praise to be glorious. Glory be...

**THE OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant*      ✠ Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
*People*      **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**

**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**      *(people kneel)*

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are 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.**

**THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW**      *(people kneel)*

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.

**THE KYRIE ELEISON HYMNAL S-91**      *(people kneel)*

Lord, have mercy upon us.      (3x)  
Christ, have mercy upon us.      (3x)  
Lord, have mercy upon us.      (3x)

**THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS HYMNAL S-202**      *(people stand)*

Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee,  
we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father  
Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the  
Father,  
have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of ✠ God the  
Father. Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**A**lmighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

ISAIAH 49:1-7

**L**isten to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.

And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;

yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God."

**A**nd now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength--he says,  
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

**T**hus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers,  
"Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God**

## GRADUAL

*Sung by the Cantor*

**B**eloved, we now are the sons of God; and it doth not yet appear what we shall be. But we know that when he shall appear we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

## THE EPISTLE READING

1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-9

**P**aul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God**

*Please Stand for the Gospel*



**CANTOR** Alleluia, alleluia. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself; even as he is pure. Alleluia

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

JOHN 1:29-42

*Celebrant* ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John  
*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

**J**ohn saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

**T**he next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon . One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**THE SERMON**

THE REVEREND PETER SCHOFIELD

**THE NICENE CREED**

*(people stand)*

**I** believe in one God, 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 his 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; by 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, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father (and the Son); who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped 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.

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*(people kneel)*

**L**et us pray for the whole state of Christ’s Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: 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 those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers [*especially \_\_\_\_\_*], that they may -- both by their life and doctrine -- set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly ✠ grace, and especially 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.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land [*especially*\_\_\_\_], that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, [*especially* \_\_\_\_].

And we also bless ✠ thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [*especially*\_\_\_\_], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [*Blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, Blessed George our Patron, and*] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

We remember those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week, [*especially*\_\_\_\_]

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*(people kneel)*

*Celebrant*            **Y**e who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a 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, devoutly kneeling.

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, 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 honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE ABSOLUTION

**A**lmighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who 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*

## THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

**H**ear what comfortable words our Savior Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

**H**ear also what St. Paul saith: This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

**H**ear also what St. John saith: If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world.

## THE PEACE

*(people stand)*

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

*People*        **And with thy spirit.**

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

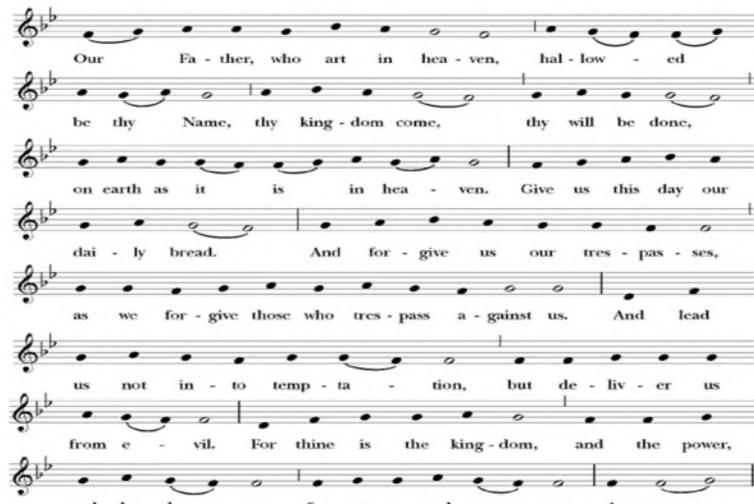
### THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Sung by the Cantor*

**T**hen shall ye call upon me; and I will hearken unto you; and ye shall seek me and find me; when ye shall search for me with all your heart.



## THE LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winifred Douglas (1867-1944)

## THE FRACTION

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

## AGNUS DEI HYMNAL S-158

*Sung by All*

*(people kneel)*

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

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

*Said by All*

*(people kneel)*

**W**e 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 we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

## THE INVITATION

*Celebrant* ☩ Behold the Lamb of God: Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.  
*People* Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

## ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians may receive communion. If you wish to not receive, you are invited to come forward and cross your arms, indicating that you wish to receive a blessing. Gluten-free hosts are available.*

## THE COMMUNION SENTENCE

*Sung by the Cantor*

**H**e took bread and blessed and brake it; and gave it to them; and their eyes were opened; and they knew him.

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

From the rising of the sun

*Frederick A. Gore Ouseley (1825-1889)*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Said by All*

*(people kneel)*

**A**lmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

*(people kneel)*

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 upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## THE RETIRING PROCESSION, HYMN 421

All glory be to God on high

*Allein Gott in der Hoh*

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Celebrant & Preacher:	The Reverend Peter Schofield
Master of Ceremonies:	David Kennison
Organist:	Dr. Brian J. Taylor
Cantor:	Tarik Wareh
Thurifer:	Christopher Henry
Acolytes:	Anne Kennison & JJ Moran
Greeter:	Jim Wingate
Lector:	Jim Wingate
Counters:	Jon Ewbank & Jon Pearson
Altar Guild:	Barb Wengrovius
Sacristan:	David & Anne Kennison

## Prayer List

Sick and those in need: Robert T, Richard, Christian, Christine L, Leslie P, Ed C, Sue C, Karen S, Scott W, Suzy T, Donald M, Kevin, Jesse, Fern, Tom, Brittany, Pamela, Jane, Jean M, Dom, Bruce J, Bess, Theresa S, Wanda Z, Pat Gibbons, Dustin, Susan, Jamie Taft, Jo-Ann S, Jim

*This list will be reset every 3 months.*

*If you would like a name included, contact [david@stgeorgesschenectady.org](mailto:david@stgeorgesschenectady.org)*

**The Departed** ✠ None

**Birthdays:** Sean Albert (1-16, Mon), Ryan Smigelski (1-16, Mon), Christopher Henry (1-18, Wed)

**Anniversaries:** None

## PARISH NOTICES

**WELCOME VISITORS!** We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our visitors today. Whether you live in our area and decided to worship with us today or if you are visiting from out of town, we offer you a warm Georgian welcome! There are visitor cards in most of the pews and we ask that you fill one out and give it to the Greeters at the door or simply drop it in the offering plate. We'd love to see you again. Our Sunday Mass is at 10am. Details are on our website, [www.stgeorgesschenectady.org](http://www.stgeorgesschenectady.org).

**2023 Stewardship** If you have not yet turned in your stewardship pledge card, you can still do so but we need it quickly. Our 2023 budget has been set and approved by the Vestry without knowing exactly where all the income is coming from. Your pledge to St. George's is needed and will let our Vestry members breathe a bit easier. Simply put - your pledges keep our doors open. God calls us to be good stewards of his church. Submit your pledge today.

**Annual Meeting!** The **2023 Annual Meeting** of St. George's Church will be **Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**, immediately following the 10am Mass. We will review the results of 2022 and discuss what awaits us in 2023. Bring your questions, comments and ideas - they are all welcome and the Vestry will not leave until they are all answered. Nominations are open for 3 Vestry positions and 1 Warden position. You should have received an email on Monday with all the details. If you did not, there are printed copies available at the back of church. A brunch will be offered, following the meeting. Please make every effort to attend.

**Little Red Wagon Sunday/ SiCM collection** **TODAY is the January ingathering** of food and personal hygiene products for the SiCM food pantry. We are tryi9ng to meet or beat last year's record total of 2,073lbs It is especially important during the winter season to remember the hungry and needy in our community. Thank you to all who have contributed so generously.

**Pillow Talk** This continuing ministry supports women and children entering the YWCA emergency shelter. Normally, they have escaped from an unsafe environment and arrive with nothing. The need is great and is ongoing. By your help and donations, St. George's made a large contribution in December and has committed to a quarterly donation. The need is for **PILLOWS, TWIN SIZE BLANKETS AND COMFORTERS**. Blankets and comforters may be gently used, but pillows must be new, unopened and in their original packaging. Place donated items at the back of the church. **The next quarterly collection is March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**

**All on the Same Page Book Club Meeting** **TODAY** - St. George's Church book club will convene in the Shaw Lounge after Mass. *The Sentence* by Louise Erdrich will be up for discussion. Ms. Erdrich is an engaging storyteller who writes about the plight of modern-day Native Americans. Suzy Unger suggested the read.

**Epiphany House Blessing** For those who were not able to be with us on the Feast of The Epiphany, there is a basket of blessed chalk at the back of church, which you can use to mark the lintel of your home with 20+C+M+B+23. It all explained on the accompanying sheet. This is a yearly tradition, much loved throughout the world.

**Commemoration of King Charles Martyr** The Cathedral of All Saints will offer a service in commemoration of King Charles the Martyr on Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm. Our own Brian Taylor will be playing the service that evening.

**Save the Date!** Candlemas approaches! On **Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>,** St. George's will celebrate the Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple (also traditionally known as the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary) with a Candlemas Procession and Solemn Choral Mass at 7:00pm. Dean Vang will celebrate the Mass.

**Save the Date!** Choral Evensong will be offered on **Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00pm.** Details to follow.

**Weekday Services.** Our normal Wednesday & Friday weekday liturgies will be held this week, Wednesday at 9am, Friday at 12noon, both in the Lady Chapel. Join us for a time of weekday spiritual refreshment and prayer.

**Care & Emergencies** During the interregnum, here are the options for pastoral care needs: (1) Jim Wingate & Ann Duff are available for pastoral care, home and hospital visitations and communion. Call Jim at 518-381-9271. (2) Brian Taylor is trained in hospital chaplaincy and will respond for pastoral care and emergencies. Contact Brian (text or voice) at 912-656-0779 or email [cornishanglican@gmail.com](mailto:cornishanglican@gmail.com). (3) If a priest is needed, Sr Warden David Kennison will arrange for a priest of the diocese to respond. Call David (text or voice) at 518-320-5619 or email [kentech2@nycap.rr.com](mailto:kentech2@nycap.rr.com). Dean Marshall Vang has also offered his pastoral assistance during this time.

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**HAVE YOU REMEMBERED GOD IN YOUR WILL?** The rubric on Pg 445 of the Book of Common Prayer reminds us of the importance of estate planning and charitable giving. When you prepare your will, please remember the work of God and his Church, and especially the Endowment Fund of St. George's Church. Please also remember the importance of making your funeral wishes known now to your family and clergy. Information to help you do that is available through the parish office.  
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Journey of the Magi,  
James Tissot, circa 1894