



27 February 2022 newsletter



Last Sunday after Epiphany

From the Rector

"For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

-2 Corinthians 4:6

This season after Epiphany is all about light. From the light of the star that guides the wise men to the baby Jesus, to the light that breaks forth at his baptism and declares him God's Son, to the metaphorical light that emanates from him as he calls his disciples and manifests God's healing power. Week by week, we see our world lit up by Jesus' presence. And this Sunday, the whole season culminates with the Transfiguration-- the revelation before Peter, James, and John of Jesus bathed in God's glory and conversing with Moses and Elijah. The light is now literally visible, radiating from Jesus himself.



The world has seemed dark for a long time. But spring is almost at hand. Covid cases are declining, and many restrictions are being lifted. There is gathering light in our midst. And the truth, for us as believers, is that the source of our light isn't in the circumstances of our day-to-day lives. Our light comes from knowing God's glory revealed in Jesus. Our light comes from the joy of knowing God loves us enough to send God's own Son into the world to teach us, to heal us, to pray with us, to rejoice with us, and even to die and rise for us.

As we prepare for a time of fasting and praying during Lent, let's take care that we remember where our light truly comes from, and that we don't lose sight of it, even in the dark times.

Love,
Mother Terry+

**“Remember you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.”**

Genesis 3.19



Ash Wednesday

March 2

9:30am **Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes**

Ashes to Go in covered driveway 10:30am - 12:30pm

7pm **Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes**

with the St John's Choir

Join us online or in person!



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Notice of Annual Vestry Meeting February 27th

Our Vestry meeting this year is February 27th at 12:00pm (noon) Vancouver time, via Zoom. All members of St. John's Shaughnessy are invited to attend (those over 15 who attend St. John's and give financially and in other ways to the parish are able to vote). We kindly request that you log on by 11:40am to allow time to address any technical issues before we begin. In order to have an orderly meeting, as stress free as possible, there are a few things you need to know. *Please read carefully:*

As we are required to record who attends the Vestry meeting you will need to pre-register for the meeting. Be aware that the link below is NOT the meeting link. Once you have used the link to register, you will be provided (on screen and by email) the link to access the meeting. **Registration is now open, and we encourage you to both register and log-in early to ensure you do not miss anything.**

Motions requiring a vote will be done via electronic polling. What this means is that you will need to cast your vote through your computer or mobile device. We are only able to record 1 vote per device. If you are in one household and would like to cast individual votes, each person wishing to cast a vote must be individually registered and logged in from a different device.

The "Zoom Room" will be open 30 minutes prior to the meeting. We encourage you to connect early. You will be placed in a waiting room until a few minutes before the meeting. To register and receive the meeting link, click [HERE](#) or copy and paste the link below into your browser address bar. **You may register today.**

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tdO2qqzwsGtyEOvIJjvIFClZgrubp_2T2

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. If for any reason you do NOT receive an email with the link we suggest you check your "junk email" folder. If it is not there, attempt to register again. If you don't receive the email after a second attempt, we suggest you email the church for help.

Only members of the parish are entitled to vote at Vestry: if you are unsure whether you are on the parish roll, please contact the office.

Thank you for your willingness to do these extra steps. Your participation is a vital part of our community!

Ash Wednesday March 2nd

Please bring back your palm crosses from last year. You may leave them in the donation plate, thank you.

SJS Prayer List

If you request that someone's name be added to the prayer list, please keep in touch with us. At the end of each month, all names will be removed, so you will need to add the names again on the first of each month. Email the office anytime! Thank you.

WNM items for Homeless Needed

These items are particularly short in supply: Winter clothing, raingear, boots, sleeping bags, socks, pudding cups, granola bars (soft with no fruit/nuts), & juice boxes.

Midweek Meditation 8pm Wednesdays

This is a beautiful service of Compline (or Night Prayer) and a reflection. A great way to end a day. You can watch it at any time, just follow the link from our website www.sjs.net May God be with you.

Podcasts

If you like to listen to podcasts, why not include a podcast of Mid-Week Meditation or the Sunday Sermon? They are now available as a podcast under the heading of **The Anglican Angle from Shaughnessy**. You can get the podcast from: *Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Overcast*.

Virtual Coffee Hour after the 10am Sunday Service

Join us for a virtual coffee hour using [Zoom](#). You can pop in any time between 11am and 12:30pm on Sundays. You may need to wait several

minutes for someone else to join you! <https://bit.ly/SJScoffee> or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88970734514?pwd=Z0hoS1g0SlU5a21XRjhYRHUyN1VtZz09>

Church Photographers Needed

Do you love photography? Do you have a camera that takes great photos in low light settings? Please contact the office if you would like to take photos during and/or after services at SJS. **No commitment required.** You can just send in photos when ever it suits you.

Online Worship

To access our worship online you can go to our website at www.sjs.net and click on the link there. Or you can access it through: a Facebook Live feed, a Youtube live feed and a Twitch live feed. To access one of the live feeds, select one of the following links:

[St John's Shaughnessy on Youtube](#) or <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJzbg4009j4WMkaRBvTE-zQ>
[St John's Shaughnessy on Twitch](#) or m.twitch.tv/sjsnanton
[facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com/sjsnanton) and search for "St John Shaughnessy"

Once the service ends, it will be available on each of the streaming platforms to view later using the same links.

Financial Support - Stewardship

If you would like to make a financial contribution to help support the worship and ministry of St. John's Shaughnessy, please do! You can use this QR code (point your phone's camera at it) and it will take you to the donation page of our website. If you have recently made a contribution online or by cheque, thank you so very much! If you currently give by Pre-

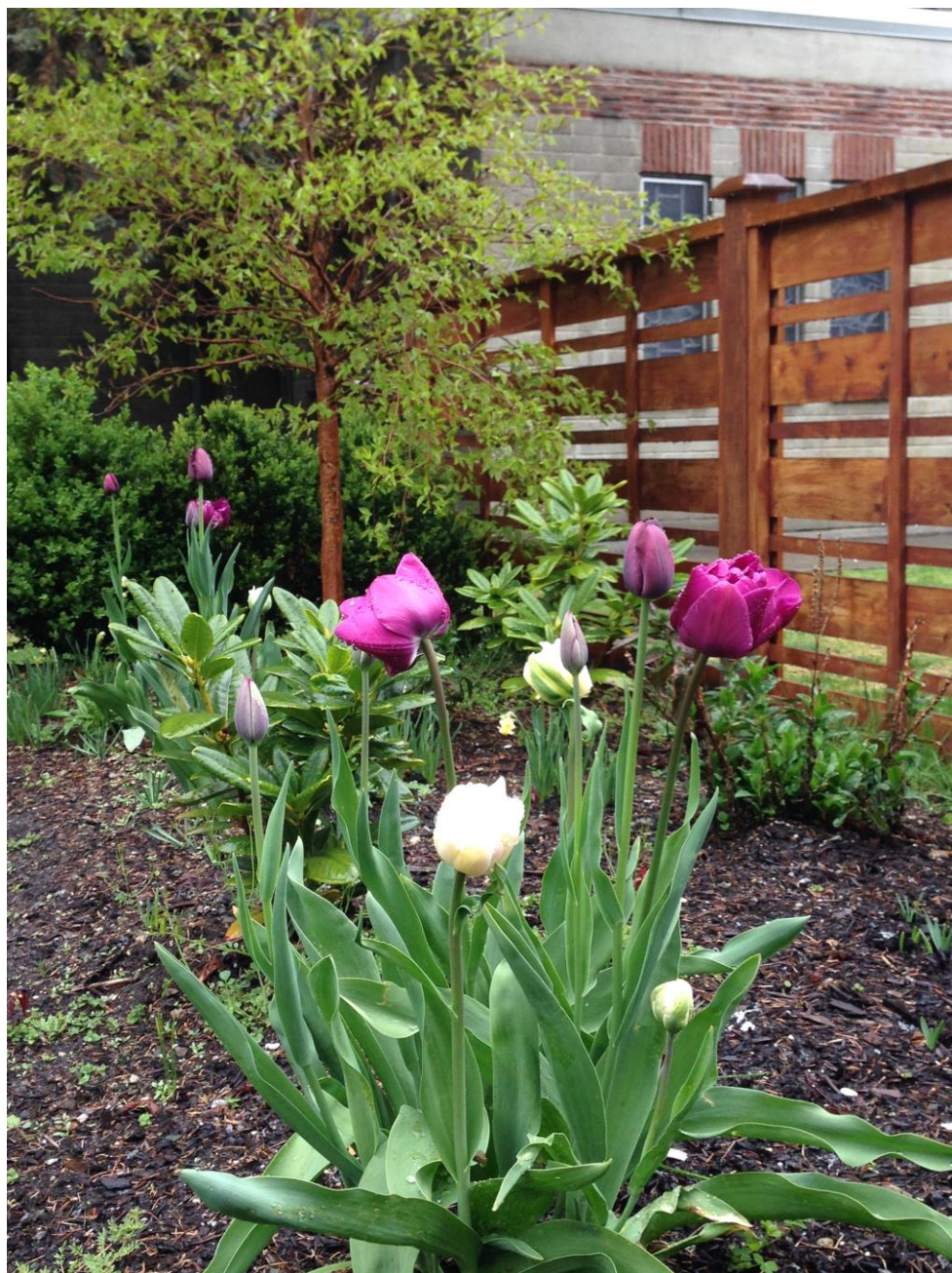


Authorized Donation, thank you! Our church has been affected by COVID-19 in many ways but financial giving is certainly one.

If you would like to give via monthly Pre-Authorized Donations (easy to change and easy to cancel), please contact Janet in the office (church@sjs.net or 604-731-4966). If you would like to give to the church

via one-time (or several times) donations using a credit card, please use the DONATE button on our website (Canada Helps on top of page one, and Paypal on the bottom of page one). Cheques may be mailed or dropped through the church mail slot.

If you are already donating using the PAD program, please contact us anytime to confirm your donations for 2022. PAD forms are in the Narthex or can be emailed. Thank you for your generous support!



Spring in the SJS Memorial Garden, April 2020

Sunday in-person services 8am and 10am

Sunday online service

10am [Holy Eucharist live-stream](#)

Wednesday online service

8pm [Midweek Meditation](#)

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Newsletters, leaflets and online videos are posted on the website.

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Offices are closed, but email and voicemail are checked regularly and often, so please reach out. We want to hear from you!

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