



WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS WARMLY. Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be here, we're glad to have you join in our praises of God this morning. We hope that you will feel comfortable and fulfilled, and that you will be strengthened to meet the challenges of your daily life. **SO THAT** we can have a record of your time with us, please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate.

**The Sixth Sunday of Easter:
May Festival of Our Lady
May 6th, 2018**

Quiet Eucharist at 8:00am

The Service begins on page 323 of the red Prayer Book in the pews.

Sung Family Mass at 10:00am

Hymns are found in the blue hymnal in the pews.

Blue Hymnal

Prelude

Aria—Craig Phillips

Gathering Hymn

1. The happy birds rejoice and sing,
'Tis Mary's month of May;
Her smile turns winter into spring,
And darkness into day;
And there's a fragrance in the air,
The bells their music make,
And oh, the world is bright and fair,
And all for Mary's sake.

2. Where'er we seek the holy Child,
At every sacred spot,
We meet the Mother undefiled;
Who shun her seek him not:
At cloistered Nazareth we see.
At cave in Bethlehem,
The throne of Jesus, Mary's knee,
Her smile, his diadem.

3. To love the Mother, people say,
Is to defraud the Son.
For them, alas, there dawns no May,
Until their hearts are won:
Then, when their hearts begin to burn.
Ah, then, to Jesus true,
And loving whom he loves, they learn
To love Saint Mary too.

Easter Greeting

The Celebrant greets the people, saying

✠ Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!**

Red Prayer Book

Forest Green / H 78

4. How many are the thoughts that throng
On faithful souls to-day!
All year we sing our Lady's song,
'Tis still the song of May:
Magnificat! O may we feel
That rapture more and more;
And chiefly, Lord, what time we kneel
Thine altar-throne before.

5. Thy Son our Brother is, and we,
Whatever may betide,
A Mother, Mary, have in thee,
A guardian and a guide;
Thy smiles a tale of gladness tell
No words can ever say?
If but, like thee, we love him well,
The year will all be May.

6. All hail! An angel spake the words
We lovingly repeat;
The song-notes of the singing birds
They are not half so sweet:
This is a music that endures,
It cannot pass away,
For Mary's children it ensures
A never-ending May.

--Fr. J. Wyze 1825-1898

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.**

S-278 Glory to God

BCP, p. 356

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.**

Collect

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Acts of the Apostles

Acts 11:19-30

Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea; and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

The word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God!

Gradual

At 8am Magnificat/Song of Mary (Luke 1:46-55)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, * and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

For he hath regarded * the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth * all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, * and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him * throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm; * he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, * and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, * and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

At 10am Paraphrase of the Magnificat/Song of Mary (Luke 1:46-55)

Refrain. My soul rejoices in God my Savior, My spirit finds its joy in God, the living God.

My soul proclaims your mighty deeds; my spirit sings the greatness of your Name. **R.**

Your mercy flows throughout the land, and every generation knows your love. **R.**

You cast the mighty from their thrones, and raise the poor and lowly to new life. **R.**

You fill the hungry with good things; with empty hands you send the rich away. **R.**

Just as you promised Abraham, you come to free your children Israel. **R.**

Epistle

1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God; for God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No man has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his own Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. So we know and believe the love God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. In this is love perfected with us, that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not perfected in love. We love, because he first loved us. If any one says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him, that he who loves God should love his brother also.

278 Sequence Hymn

Holy Gospel

John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. This I command you, to love one another."

Chant after the Gospel

Christus vincit, Christus regnat,
Christus, Christus, imperat!

Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ rules!

Sermon

Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

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.

Announcements, Birthday & Anniversary Prayers

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

Offertory Anthem*Ave Maria--Javier Busto (b. 1949)**Áve María, grátia pléna, Dóminus técum. Benedicta tu in muliéribus, et benedictus frúctus véntris tui, Iésus. Sáncta María, Mátér Déi, óra pro nóbis peccatóribus, nunc et in hóra mórtis nóstrae. Ámen.*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice

- S-120 **Eucharistic Prayer D** BCP, p. 372
- S-130 **Holy, holy, holy**
- S-119 **Our Father** BCP, p. 364
- Agnus Dei** R.. *Manalo*, 2012

178 Communion Hymn**Communion Motet***I Give You a New Commandment—Peter Aston***Second Communion Hymn***Munich/H 255*

1. I'll sing a hymn to Mary,
The Mother of my Lord,
The Virgin of all virgins,
Of David's Royal blood.
O teach me, blessed Mary,
A loving song to frame,
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
I'll love and bless thy name.

3. O noble Tower of David,
Of gold and ivory,
The Ark of God's Own promise,
The Gate of Heaven to me;
To live, and not to love thee,
Would fill my soul with shame:
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
I'll love and bless thy name.

2. O Lily of the Valley,
O mystic Rose, what tree
Or flower, e'en the fairest,
Is half so fair as thee?
O let me, though so lowly,
Recite my Mother's fame:
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
I'll love and bless thy name.

4. But in the crown of Mary,
There lies a wondrous gem,
As Queen of all the Angels,
Which Mary shares with them;
"No stain hath e'er defiled thee,"
So doth our faith proclaim:
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
I'll love and bless thy name.

475 Third Communion Hymn (if needed)**Thanksgiving after Communion**

BCP, p. 365

Let us pray. 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.

Blessing & Dismissal*Celebrant*

Ite missa est, alleluia, alleluia.

[Go, the Mass is ended.]

*People***Deo gratias, alleluia, alleluia.**

[Thanks be to God.]

212 Dismissal Hymn**Regina Caeli**

O Queen of Heaven, be joyful, alleluia,
For he whom you have humbly borne for us, alleluia,
Has arisen, as he promised, alleluia,
Offer now our prayers to God, alleluia.

Postlude*Voluntary on Richmond—R. Powell*

Parish Notices

THE FLOWERS at the altar are given to the glory of God

- by the Shores family in honor of **MARY-STEWART SHORES** and in celebration of her **twenty-first birthday**, April 30th and
- in thanksgiving for **ALEX MATTHEW CAMPISI on his birthday**, May 4th, and **EVAN MICHAEL CAMPISI on his birthday**, May 19th, by their grandparents, Helen and Richard Humber and
- in loving memory and in thanksgiving for the life of **CLIFF SHORT on his birthday**, May 10th, by Mary Nell, Chris, Kathy, Kelley and their families and
- in loving memory of **GRACIE BAKER** and in **thanksgiving for her life** by Carol Jane Hoffman.

PRAYER LIST: Mabelle, Larry, Patty, Nancy, Christi, Billie, Tyler, Bubba, Wade, Polly, Sandra P., Cindy, Jeffrey, Armil, Randy, Paul, Jimmy, Devin, Bryce, Lindy, Pat, George, Lisa, Sue, Charles, Tina, Barbara, Tammy, Kimberly, Billy, Darlene, Callie, Sheliya, Quida, Christie, Shari, Treece, Michelle, Christi, Terry, Teresa, Sherri, Beau, James Kim, Charlie, Suzanne, Bill, Paul, Chuck+, Carolyn, Sherrie, Donna, Anne, John. Serving our country: Charles, Michael, Sage, Alexander, D. J. Matthew.

Names stay on List for a month; longer if you call the Office.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Mike Lowe (7), Sarah Duch (10), David Clark, Meredith Maynard (12).

CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:

None Listed.

HOUSEHOLD WEEK: Bobbie Nichols

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER is traditionally known as Rogation Sunday, on which we give thanks for the earth and its fruits. We give thanks for Todd and Michelle Shores who provide for the mowing of our lawns, and Glenn and Lova Wile who take a special concern for our gardens, and for Dave Clark who whacks the weeds in the alley when they get too high!

AT HOME OR AWAY, be faithful in your Mass attendance, and bring us back a Bulletin from your travels.

DID YOU KNOW? You can now give to St James' online safely and securely. Visit <http://saintjamestxk.org/giving/>

A SCHOLARSHIP is available for the benefit of youth in our parish wishing to further their education. When considering your memorials, please consider giving to the Scholarship fund for the benefit of our youth and their future. For youth interested in applying, guidelines and application forms are available from the church office. Deadline for completed applications is June 1. More information, speak to Mary Nell Short.

The Programme: This Week at St James'

Sun. May 6	Easter VI: May Festival of our Lady
8:00am	Low Mass
10:00am	Sung Mass
	¶ Christian education classes are in recess
Mon. May 7	
8:30am	Morning Prayer at RSOS
Tues. May 8	
8:30am	Morning Prayer at SJDS
10:00am	Rosary group
5:30pm	Fitness for Saints
Wed. May 9	
5:30pm	Adult choir practice
Thurs. May 10	
5:30pm	Fitness for Saints
Fri. May 11	
10:30am	Low Mass at Cornerstone
Sun. May 13	Sunday of the Ascension
8:00am	Low Mass
9:00am	Youth confirmands/parents meet in Library
10:00am	Sung Mass

RECOGNITION SUNDAY, May 13th. We will also present excellent attendance certificates to those students who have attended at least 75% of the Sundays. We are so proud of all our students and they need to be recognized. We also wish to honor those students of our parish who will be graduating from either high school or college. If you have a high school graduate, please let me know from which high school and the future plans. If you have a college grad, please let me know which college and the degree. It is always such a pleasure to honor these students who have reached a major milestone in their lives. –MNS

KNEE MAIL. If you are not getting the Knee Mail sent to you, please send a blank email to therector@stjamestxk.org, putting KNEE MAIL in the subject line.

THE ROSARY GROUP meets on Tuesdays at 10am. Come join us. For more information, contact Lova at lova@cableone.net

FACEBOOK. St James' maintains a Facebook page: "Saint James Episcopal Church of Texarkana," which you are invited to like. If you are so minded, you may "check in" to help raise our online profile.

St James' Church

*The Mission of St James' Church
is to restore all people to God, and to each other,
through sacramental worship
and Christ-like living.*



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R. Andrew Clark, *Parish Musician*
Sandra Kennedy, *Parish Administrator*
Mary Nell Short, *Director of Religious Education*

THE PARISH OFFICE is open Monday through
Thursday from 8am to 4pm, and on Friday from 8am to
Noon. Lunch is taken between Noon & 1pm.
*The Clergy are always available to discuss a matter of
parish or personal concern.*

Today's Lay Ministers

Chalice Bearers 8:00am—Scott Bruner
10:00am – Judie Firmin, Billy DeLoach
Acolytes 10:00am—Blake Maynard, Caedmon Kyles,
Camden Robertson, Maddie Anderson, Ian Robertson, Davis
Crouch
Readers 8:00am—Tammy Cowdery
10:00am—Michelle Purtle
POP 10:00am—
Ushers 10:00am—Bill Miller, Nick Prime, Brian Purtle,
Scott Robertson
Altar Guild Team I
Counters/Lock-up—Brian Purtle, Scott Robertson



Please remember St James' in your will.

Last Sunday's attendance was 179
The Collection was \$8,369.50

Thank you for worshipping with us!

HOLY COMMUNION. Baptized Christians may receive
the Blessed Sacrament. The Sacred Host will be placed upon
your tongue or in the palm of your hand after which the
Chalice is offered. Should you wish to receive by intinction,
leave the Host on your palm. The Chalice Bearer will dip It
in the consecrated Wine and place It on your tongue. If you
are not receiving the Sacrament, please cross your arms as
the Priest approaches so that a blessing may be said.

IF AGE OR INFIRMITY makes it difficult for you to come
to the altar rail, please indicate to the Ushers that you would
like help to the Communion rail, or that you would prefer
Holy Communion brought to you in your pew.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT CELLPHONES are turned off
during Mass. If God is going to speak to you at Mass, he
will use other means!

BAPTISMS. For more information and the necessary
paperwork, please email the Parish Office.

A STAFFED NURSERY is available in the Parish Center.
An Usher will be pleased to give you directions.

LADIES, to preserve our linens, please blot your lipstick
prior to receiving from the Chalice.

QUIET BAGS containing books and activities to occupy
your small child during the service are available in the Porch.
Please return it to the ushers at the end of the service.

Worship Schedule

Lord's Day (Sunday) Masses:

Quiet Holy Eucharist at 8:00am
Sung Mass at 10:00am

[All Saints', Atlanta Third Sunday of the Month at 11am]

Weekday Services:

RSOS Monday Morning Prayer at 8:30am
SJDS Tuesday Morning Prayer at 8:30am
Wednesday evening Mass is in recess.

First & Third Thursday Mass at 10:00am (in the Chapel)
Second Friday Mass at 10:30pm (at Cornerstone)



*The 80-million strong Anglican Communion uses the Compass
Rose as its symbol, signifying its worldwide reach.
It is surmounted by a bishop's mitre; in the centre is a
Cross of St George recalling the Communion's origins
in the Church of England.*

*The text of the service of worship contained in this bulletin is
taken from the Book of Common Prayer, 1979. The Book of
Common Prayer is the final authority in the worship of the
Episcopal Church. This bulletin is provided for convenience of
use on this occasion.*