

# *Glad Tidings*

*April 2026*



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**The Rev. Hillary Kimsey, Vicar**

## *Vicar's Voice*

Happy Easter, St. Antony's!

I want to tell you a story about my first experience with Holy Week as a young girl. First of all, you may remember that I grew up Southern Baptist. Well, in my church growing up, we didn't really have Holy Week. We had Palm Sunday and we had Easter. I had no idea what Maundy Thursday was until I went to seminary, and we had no services on Good Friday or Holy Saturday. Palm Sunday was mainly celebratory-- the triumphal entry and "Hosanna!" and waving palm fronds around as we marched into the church. Some years, we might have read the Passion story, but not always. That means, some years, we went right from the Triumphal Entry to the Resurrection and skipped all the drama, suffering, and death of Holy Week. And what a loss that was, even if I didn't know it at the time.

As a teenager, I asked my mom once: why don't we have services on Good Friday? That's the day Jesus died for us-- it seems like one of the most important days in the church year, but we don't do anything? She was equally flummoxed, so we decided to go to a local Lutheran church for their Good Friday service. We had no idea what to expect.

The service began with dim light. It was a solemn service, appropriately, with quiet and somber music. The last thing I remember happening was the pastor reading the Passion story from the giant Bible on the pulpit. As he read, acolytes were slowly turning down the lights and putting out all the candles. By the time he reached the end of the Passion story, it was totally dark. The sun had gone down, and all the candles were out. The only light was a slight glow from the parking lot lights and a tiny booklight on the pulpit. Once he said those last words from Mark, "Then Joseph brought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb." After that, the pastor was silent. The silence dragged on, in complete darkness, for several minutes. Then, suddenly, the Pastor took that giant Bible on the pulpit and SLAMMED it shut. The sound made several of us jump and it echoed throughout the sanctuary. And that was it. The liturgy had ended. Suddenly, in darkness, with shock-- a tiny emotional embodiment of the real story.

I never forgot that moment, and from that day onward, I was continually drawn to liturgical churches like Catholic, Lutheran, and Episcopal churches for Holy Week. The dramatic liturgical rituals, both ancient and

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new, for walking Jesus's last week remain the most vivid moments of the church year for me. Easter Sunday would be duller, less magical, without the betrayal of Maundy Thursday's last supper, the agony of Good Friday's suffering and death, the silent grief of Holy Saturday, and resurrection in the dark at the Great Vigil of Easter. I hope you will walk these steps with Christ, with me, and with one another, year after year, and be transformed every time.

Amen. Alleluia!  
Mother Hillary

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### *Musings from your Bishop's Warden, Kathy Avery*

I recently watched a movie called Soul on Fire (Netflix). It's a true story based on the book "On Fire, The 7 Choices to Ignite a Radically Inspired Life", by John O'Leary, who was burned over 99% of his body when he was a 9-year-old boy. He was never expected to live, let alone live the productive life he now does as owner of a construction company and motivational speaker. As the story unfolds it is the big and small things that ordinary people did for him that helped him to recover. Things such as his brother who beat down the flames and carried him outside, his little sister pouring water on his face to lessen the burns, his dad who told him he loved him and was proud of him, Cardinals radio announcer, Jack Buck, who befriended him, the custodian of his hospital room who kept his room infection free, his nurse who helped him to walk, and the list goes on and on. This show reminded me that even the smallest and ordinary things you do for another person can have profound effects on their lives. So, smile, offer thanks, pray for others, give encouragement, listen to others, "pay it forward". You may never know how you made a positive difference in someone's life and you're lucky if you do.

Kathy Avery

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### *A Thank You Note*

On behalf of the entire Bishop's Committee, your Bishop's Warden Kathy Avery and I want to extend our warmest gratitude to Sarah Bishop-Dolbec, who has served as Faith Formation Commissioner since January 2025 with energy, skill, and compassion. She has shared generously of her gifts for organization, team-building, and education as VBS Director and Godly Play storyteller, as well as Outreach team member. Sarah submitted her resignation from the BC this month in order to prepare for her family's upcoming relocation. Kathy and I and the whole team want to thank her for her hard work, and to convey our deep appreciation and love for Sarah, Mike, and Amelia! You are each dearly loved, and we will treasure each of these remaining days together. Blessings!

-Mother Hillary

## Memorial Garden

Spring has sprung! 🌿 The St. A's Landscape committee recently met and discussed next steps for completing our Memorial Garden. The Bishop's Committee approved funding for the garden in December 2024. Kate Easton from Garden Vision created our garden plan and Richard Hedahl from Hedahl Landscape installed Phase 1 of the garden in October 2025, creating garden beds, pathways, a labyrinth, planting foundational shrubs and trees and installing arbors (with a generous donation from Kathy Gero).

Phase 2 of the Memorial Garden plan involves purchase of benches, some fencing and additional flowers and shrubs to complete the garden design created by Kate Easton. Further work on the garden needs to come from donations from the congregation. Our hope is to collect funds through the spring and summer, and to make purchases and plant this fall.

Would you consider making a monetary donation towards completion of the Memorial Garden? Whatever amount you're able to contribute, please indicate the offering is for the Memorial Garden and let us know whether you'd like funds to go towards purchase of plants on the garden design list, or towards purchase of benches. The St. A's Landscape committee will purchase plants on the design list from funds we receive, and plan on getting them into the ground this fall. Our hope is the Memorial Garden will be a place of restful quiet, enjoyment and remembrance for many years to come. We welcome your support, and invite you to enjoy springtime bloom on our lovely church grounds.

Loretta McGinley



## ***Pastoral Care***

Happy Spring! The best time of the year; new growth is seen everywhere! I love waking up in the sunny mornings to the happy birds talking outside!

Pastoral Care is going great! The card-making event February 7 was a success! We have decided to hold another card-making event in the fall, just in time for the holidays!

Heidi Hood and Rev. Hillary Kimsey are working on the grief support group. Hopefully this will be up and running in the future. Kudos to both of them for their hard work!

We are in need of some frozen dinners; homemade or bought would be awesome. You can put them in the church's freezer. I will take them home and put them in my deep freezer. Thanks so much!

If you know anyone who is struggling and needs some extra care, please let me know. I am always willing to give big hugs if needed!

Karrie Wiley  
Pastoral Care Commissioner

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## ***Faith Formation***

Are you making summer plans already? Your Vacation Bible School team, led by Holly Foley and Jane Stockton, is already hard at work planning for this summer's Vacation Bible School. Come one, come all. Regardless of whether you have children K-5th grade who will want to attend and/or teens who will volunteer to help our campers, or if you are adults who might fill the many roles available, save these dates: July 27-31, 2026, for VBS.

Holly Hoxeng, Outreach Commissioner

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## ***Building & Grounds***

Well - Spring is here along with the continuing rain. We will try and have a few cleanup/ work days before Easter. We will need to have volunteers to do landscaping. We will have plenty of opportunities for parish members to show off their abilities. Hopefully, we can get some dry days in a row and can start getting the grass mowing done. We also need people to do other landscaping work. We will have organized workdays on Saturdays but you can come and work any day. Questions? Call me at 360-440-7866

Dave Peterson  
Building & Grounds Commissioner

## **OUTREACH**

Thank you to each and every one of you for your contributions of your time, talents, and treasures as we reach out to the wider community.

March has been a busy month for the Outreach commission. We connected with Habitat for Humanity of Kitsap County, hoping to find an opportunity for a red-shirt event (though I cannot picture myself on a ladder or wielding a hammer), and instead they invited us to provide food for a team from the University of Connecticut who were here on their spring break participating in a build. Tim and Avery delivered food on Friday, March 20th. Thank you to all who participated in this project. We hope to continue our relationship with Habitat for Humanity in the future.

We were also contacted by Kidzz Helping Kidzz. You will recall that we participated in their toy drive for Christmas last year. Now, Kidzz Helping Kidzz invited us to participate in a food drive to benefit Bremerton Backpack Brigade (“BBB”) and South Kitsap Backpacks for Kids Program (“SKBK”). Both of these programs send food home with school students each weekend. The last update from BBB said they fed over 800 children, and SKBK says they feed over 350 children. The fact that so many families need assistance is staggering, and the fact that these organizations are meeting that need is inspiring. Throughout April you will see bins in the sanctuary and narthex to collect food. See the graphic below for the food items requested.

Holly Hoxeng  
Outreach Commissioner

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### ***An Update from the West Sound Beekeepers Association***

As you know, the WSBA's teaching apiary is on our property. The bee season is also beginning! The beginning beekeeping class will meet on April 4th, April 11th, and after that, on the second Saturday of each month. One or two WSBA beekeepers may be on and off site on other Saturdays to check on the bees, and on other days as needed. Some new bees will arrive on April 11th, so there may be more honeybees exploring our area on that particular day as they orient themselves, but otherwise, we are likely not to notice them much. We are grateful for WSBA and the bees for the important work they do! With any questions, please reach out to Mother Hillary and she can put you in contact with the WSBA.

## Meet your Bishop's Committee



Kathy Avery  
Bishop's Warden



Marj Zantek  
People's Warden



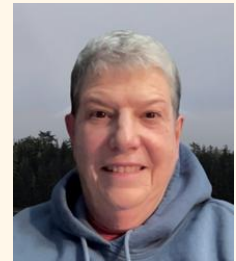
Cris McCarty  
Clerk of the BC



Kathy Gero  
Parish Life



Chelsea Reeder  
Welcoming



Holly Hoxeng  
Outreach

### Faith Formation

*Can it be you?  
Please see Mother  
Hillary if you are  
interested.*



Karrie Wiley  
Pastoral Care



Sarah Rogers  
Communications



Dave Peterson  
Building & Grounds

Please contact one of these persons if you have questions or concerns or ideas within their commission.



## Advanced Kairos Training

The Kairos prison ministry team in Koboko has nominated its first three (Kairos) weekend leaders. I am among those nominated by Kairos Koboko and approved by Kairos Uganda. This meant I needed to attend Advanced Kairos Training or AKT. I could not find any courses in Uganda, so I was registered for a January course in Indianapolis. The daytime high temperature in Koboko was 92 Fahrenheit the day I started the trip, but only 12 degrees Fahrenheit in Indianapolis. There was plenty of snow and I was concerned about staying warm and avoiding an illness due to the temperature change.

### Snow

AKT was great, even though it was overwhelming. Lots of information in just a few days. The class included working on several scenarios. This was great, giving us practice finding and working with the Kairos manual to answer questions we will face as we prepare for a Kairos weekend. We shared our results with the other groups, and they shared theirs with my group. I want to take some time to go over everything before I need to train the team for our first Kairos weekend in Koboko.



Working on a scenario at AKT. I am third from the wall, facing the camera.



Roun, Charles, Craig, Tim and Kevin working on a scenario at train the trainer.

I was also selected as a Kairos trainer, so that AKT can be offered in Uganda. I went from the training in Indianapolis to the train the trainer in Orlando. It was great to meet Kairos inside AKT trainers from all over the world. It is also humbling to be invited to be part of this group.

## Delay

Thank you for your interest in my blog, <https://charlesofsta.wordpress.com>. You may have noticed it is a little behind. My computer was hacked and a trojan was put on it. As a result I have not been online to make the posts available, but I am writing them. Now that I have an awkward way around the problem I am working on making the posts, putting them on the days they were written for. I hope to have the trojan removed when I can access technical support in the US, see next article.

## Furlough

A strange term that brings up lots of ideas, some of which might not apply. During the Easter season (50 days) I will be in the US seeking opportunities to talk about the ministry God is doing through *Continued on next page.me* in Uganda. I would be grateful if you would let me know about opportunities to talk to individuals, churches or businesses.

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### Thanksgivings

- The Officer-in-Charge of Koboko prison is excited about Kairos.
- Things are quiet and I am safe here in Koboko, Uganda.
- For each of you, always.
- Parara Missions NGO license has been granted.

### Prayer Requests

- Kairos Prison Ministry as it develops in Uganda.
- The Parara Missions is applying for a longer-term visa for me. Please pray that it will be granted, making it easier to focus on ministry.
- Please hold the process of the annual renewal of our permission for prison ministry letter(s) in prayer.
- All those who are traveling.



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### April Birthdays

1	David Ferguson
2	Nyah Fox
2	Theodore Bovet
4	Pete Morris
12	Jan Peterson
12	Mae Myers
13	Sherry Lynn Schwab
15	Elijah Woods
18	Ann Bruce
19	Norman Perreira
20	Joann Richardson
23	Marie Sherwin
23	Alvin Woods
25	Sandy Stockwell
26	Kristen Fabry
26	William George
27	Avery van As
27	Richie Wojcinski



### April Anniversaries

5	Rich & Sarah Rogers
5	David & Carol Wedeven
6	Michael & Wendy Fox
13	Malcolm & Sylvia Campbell
13	Floyd & Heidi Hood
22	Carl & Carole Nau
26	David & Carolyn Sorrell

The deadline for the May Glad Tidings is **Tuesday, April 21st** at 10am. Please send all submissions to: [stantonysilverdale@gmail.com](mailto:stantonysilverdale@gmail.com)



Welcome to our church family!  
Eric & Lori Mohr  
  
(Please see the office for their contact information. Their address and phone will not be put online.)

Financial Report			Account Balances	
February	Year-to-date			
Operating Income	\$19,606.31	\$273,719.96	Local Checking	\$48,049.86
Operating Expenses	\$26,562.18	\$287,185.69	Local Savings	\$397.04
<b>Net in February</b>	<b>(\$6,955.87)</b>	<b>(\$13,465.73)</b>	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$212,019.77
			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$260,466.67</b>

## April 2026 Schedule

JOB	April 2 Maundy Thursday	April 3 Good Friday (Noon)	April 4 Easter Vigil	April 5 Easter Sunday	April 12 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	April 19 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	April 26 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
EM		Ruth L.			Elizabeth M.	Mary C.	Donna H.
LC/OT & NT		Donna H.			Norma T.	Dee P.	Melo S.
	<b>7pm</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>9:30am</b>			
EM 10:15	Kristen F.	Holly H.	Mary C.	Sarah R.	Cris M.	Jason K.	Peter S.
LC/OT 10:15 am	Jim F.	Jason K.	Marj Z. Elizabeth M.	Audra A;	Elizabeth F.	Stu S.	Nyah F.
LC/NT 10:15	Cheryl W.	Elizabeth M.	Cheryl W. Holly H.	Melo S.	Cris M.	Jim F.	Sarah R.
ACOLYTES		Luke	Cris M	Ellery, Luke, Chelsea	Jason	Ellery	Caroline & Nolan
USHER	Tim v.		Bill F.	Tim v. Bill F.	Peter S. Holly H.	Mark W. Carole N.	Linda R. Dave P.
COUNTERS							
COFFEE HOUR			Mother Hillary Linda R.	Jane S.	Reeder Fam.	Wentworth's	Wedeven's
Bpod					Karrie W.	Kathy A.	Cris M.
1 <sup>st</sup> LESSON	Exodus 12:1-14	Isaiah 52:13- 53:12	Romans 6:3- 11	Acts 10:34-4	Acts 2:14a,22-32	Acts 2:14a,36-41	Acts 2:42-47
PSALM	Psalms 116:1, 10-17	Psalms 22		Psalms 118 1-2, 14-24	Psalms 16	Psalms 116:1- 3, 10-17	Psalms 23
2 <sup>nd</sup> LESSON	1 Corinthians 11:23-26	Hebrews 4: 14-16, 5:7-9		Colossians 3:1-4	1 Peter 1:3-9	1 Peter 1:17-23	1 Peter 2:19- 25
GOSPEL	John 13: 1-17, 31b-35	John 18:1-19:42	Luke 24:1-12	Matthew 28:1-10	John 20:19-31	Luke 24:13- 35	John 10:1-10

### Roster of Volunteers for Services

If you cannot serve on your assigned Sunday, please call someone from this list.  
(A strike through a name means they are not available now but will be back.)

LECTORS 8am	LECTORS 10:15	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	COUNTERS	USHERS	ACOLYTES
Donna Hilton	Audra Alford	<b>8am</b>	Jim Foley-A	Suzanne Brock	Caroline A.
Ruth Lindstrum	Elizabeth Flagg	Mary Collier	Holly Hoxeng-A	Bill Fagan	Nolan A.
Elizabeth Moorhead	Jim Foley	Donna Hilton	Norma Tipton-B	Holly Hoxeng	Jason K.
Dee Perreira	Nyah Fox	Ruth Lindstrum	Tim van As-A	Carole Nau	Chelsea R.
Melo Scanlon	Jason Kimes	Elizabeth Moorhead	David W.-B	Dave Peterson	Luke R.
Norma Tipton	Cris McCarty	<b>10:15 am</b>	Marj Zantek-A	Linda Robuck	Soren V.
Cheryl Wright	Luke Rogers	Kristen Fabry		Rich Rogers	Ellery V.
	Sarah Rogers	Holly Hoxeng	A – Comp.	Peter S.	Cris McCarty
	Maggie Scott	Jason Kimes	B - Assist.	Tim van As	
	Stu Smith	Cris McCarty		Mark Westin	
	Peter Stockwell	Sarah Rogers		<del>Rick Zapp</del>	
	Marj Zantek	Peter Stockwell			
		Marj Zantek			

# April

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b>	<b>2 Maundy Thursday</b> 7pm Maundy Thursday Service	<b>3 Good Friday</b> Noon Stations of the Cross 7pm Good Friday Liturgy with music	<b>4 Easter Vigil</b> 7pm Great Vigil Service with music
<b>5 Easter Sunday</b> 7 am Sunrise Service 8:45am Choir Rehearsal 9:30am Holy Eucharist 11:00am Egg Hunt	<b>6</b> <hr/>	<b>7</b> <b>Vicar on Vacation</b> <hr/>	<b>8</b> 11am Outreach Mtg <hr/>	<b>9</b> <hr/>	<b>10</b>  <b>Music Group 9- noon</b> <b>Cleaners</b> <hr/>	<b>11</b> <hr/>
<b>12 Rev. Linda Logan</b> 8 am Holy Eucharist 9am Episcopal 101 10:15 am Holy Eucharist <hr/>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Noon New Beginnings Contemplative Group 1:30 pm Pastoral Care Mtg	<b>15</b> 9am Landscape Team Meeting	<b>16</b> Noon BC Reports Due 12:30 pm Bible Study	<b>17</b> Vicar's Day Off  <b>Music Group 9- noon</b>	<b>18</b> Vicar's Day Off 8am Men's Fellowship Breakfast
<b>19</b> 8 am Holy Eucharist 9am Episcopal 101 10:15 am Holy Eucharist Teen Bible Study 11:45 am - BC Mtg 6pm Youth Group	<b>20</b> < Loose plate Offering Coffee Oasis	<b>21</b> 10am Newsletter Deadline 11 am Witty Knitters	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 12:30 pm Bible Study	<b>24</b> Vicar's Day Off  <b>Music Group 9- noon</b> <b>Cleaners</b>	<b>25</b> Cathedral Day  St Mark's Seattle
<b>26</b> 8 am Holy Eucharist 9am Episcopal 101 10:15 am Holy Eucharist  <b>Project Linus 1-4</b>	<b>27</b>  <b>PEO Ladies 9 – 12:30</b>	<b>28</b> Noon New Beginnings Contemplative Group	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 12:30 pm Bible Study		

Paint Party – May 9 - 2-5pm

Staff Visitation – November 8

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