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in New York City



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Holy Week & Easter 2015



Dear Friends,

You may recall that last week in this space I wrote about the [Roman urn](#) in the rectory yard, sharing some of its history and also its critical state of disrepair. As it turns out, the prognosis is good; we have been seeking the advice of restoration experts, and the word is that we ought to be able to restore the urn to its pristine condition (i.e., the way it was when Jesus walked the earth) at an affordable price. In the meantime, the urn is now wrapped in blue tarp. In fact, it looks like a giant Easter egg in the middle of the yard to help us celebrate the Day of Resurrection!

As it turns out, the urn can help us celebrate Easter in another way. This week I recalled a reflection that one of my predecessors (Walter Russell Bowie, Rector of Grace Church from 1923-1939) wrote about the urn. After searching the archives I found it, and here it is:

If this ancient urn could think and speak, this conceivably is what it might say:

"I remember first another city in a far-off time. On its stone-flagged streets the wheels of chariots rumbled, and now and then there was the tramp of legions returning from distant wars. Many great men and conquerors came and went. One day there came to Rome another man, too insignificant for much notice, a man with shining eyes, whose name was Paul. He proclaimed a mad message. He talked of one Jesus, who had been crucified by a Roman governor, but who was called Christus and alleged to have risen from the dead and to be the Lord of all. At that the pagan gods of Rome could laugh. Followers of this Christus were



put to death by sword or fire or thrown to the beasts in the Colosseum.

But strange and ruinous years succeeded. Barbarians invaded Rome and laid it waste. The drifting dust of dying centuries buried me, and I slept.

Then men found me and woke me and brought me here. The imperial might and the far-flung rule of the Caesars of the Rome I knew are dead. And now the strange thing is that from the tower above me here in this new world bells chime in honor of that Christ. How has it happened that the Caesars have perished and that He prevails?"

How has it happened? We have arrived at the time of year when we could ask no better question. Over the next four days we plan to tell the story that culminates with the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Day. Note the schedule below, and plan on joining in for as much as possible.

See you in church.

[The Reverend J. Donald Waring](#)

Rector

Details at right, under Holy Saturday, April 4th...

The Sunday Forum Resumes on April 12th



Titian, St. John the Evangelist on Patmos, ca. 1547.

THE BOOK OF REVELATION and Jungian depth psychology

THANK YOU!

Holy Week continues, please join us!

(Tonight!) MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 2

7 p.m. in the Church

Holy Eucharist, Foot Washing, Stripping of the Altar

Preacher: The Rev. Stephen Holton

Music by *Durufle, Farrant, Tallis*, & others.

The Adult Choir.

GOOD FRIDAY, April 3

12 - 3 p.m. The Three Hours' Devotion:

The Seven Last Words of Christ

Preachers: Ms. Hershey Mallette, The Rev. J. Donald Waring, The Rev. Mary Cat Young, The Rev. Stephen Holton, The Rev. Timothy Morehouse, The Rev. Mark Hummell, The Rev. Robert Owens.

7 p.m. in the Church

An Order for Evening Prayer

OLIVET TO CALVARY

by *John Henry Maunder (1858-1920)*

The Adult Choir



to all who supported the Easter flower fund! **And special thanks to Ellen McElduff, head of the Flower Guild, who with hard work and artistic vision will again create an altar display worthy of the mystery and the glory of this joyous Easter season.**



APR 30 – Grace Newcomer Networking Reception

A moving account of the Passion set to music and sung by the choir with tenor and bass soloists.

HOLY SATURDAY, April 4

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Easter Eve Walk

Children ages 4–12 and their families are invited to experience the Passion and Resurrection through interactive storytelling, crafts, treats, and an Easter egg hunt. Suggestion donation \$15 per child includes pizza lunch.

7 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter

Holy Baptism & Eucharist

Preacher: Ms. Hershey Mallette

Music by *Byrd & Fauré*

The Adult Choir

This Sunday

Easter Day, April 5th



9 a.m. Festive Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev. J. Donald Waring

Music: The Combined Choirs of Grace Church

11 a.m. Festive Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev. J. Donald Waring

Music by *Batten, Byrd, Noyon/Hancock, Parker* & others

The Combined Choirs of Grace Church

Join us for the Spring Newcomers Reception, Thursday, April 30th 6:30–9 pm in the Reception Room. Meet Clergy, Staff and Parishioners who represent a diverse range of professional and Grace affiliations. Not sure if you are still a newcomer and want to get to know the Grace community better, [please contact Singleton Cox](#) for more information. Come Grow your Grace Network!

The Epistle E-news goes on recess next week...

Please see the worship schedule for Sunday, April 12th below. The next E-news will arrive in time for Sunday, April 19th.

Our Roman Urn in the Subway station at 8th & Broadway

with Brass & Tympani

4 p.m. Organ Music for Easter Day

Music by *Bach, Handel, Pachelbel & Widor*

6 p.m. Festive Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Reverend J. Donald Waring.

Music by *Batten, Byrd, Noyon/Hancock, & others*

The Adult Choir

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS ON RECESS but Easter activity bags are available for the kids! (*Made possible by the generous donations of Jay Sammons, Cassie Glover, and Jenny Vorhoff.*)

Coming Soon

APR 6 – THE CHURCH AND PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Easter Monday.

APR 12 –THE BOOK OF REVELATION from the perspective of Jungian depth psychology. **THE SUNDAY FORUM @10 AM.** The focus will be on the symbolic, collective unconscious and archetypal images that will include the journey of the Self into conscious realization and the vision of the numinosum – visionary and mystical. *Led by Krystyna Sanderson, licensed psychoanalyst with a Doctorate in Psychology and extensive postgraduate psychoanalytical training from the Blanton–Peale Graduate Institute in New York, where she is now a faculty member in the Psychoanalytic Training Program. She is also on the faculty of the Harlem Family Institute.*

APR 12 – EXCERPTS FROM HANDEL'S MESSIAH PART III – The Adult Choir with the Parish Choir will offer Choral Evensong featuring excerpts from the Easter Portion of Handel's MESSIAH.

APR 18 –A SPRING CONCERT ON THE BICENTENNIAL ORGAN This New York debut of Dr. Delbert Disselhorst,



Professor Emeritus, University of Iowa, will feature the works of Muffat, de Arauxo, J.S. Bach, Mendelssohn, Lemmens, Samuel Adler, Helmut Walcha, Billy Strayhorn and Craig Phillips. Sat, April 18 at 2 pm. Tickets \$20 and available online [HERE](#) or at the door the day of the Concert.

APR 19, 26, MAY 3 – NEWCOMERS' CLASSES –

Members of the clergy speak, and answer questions, about Christianity, the Episcopal Church, and what it's like to be a member of Grace Church. A light lunch will be served. Sundays, Apr 19, 26 & May 3, from 12:45 – 1:45 pm in the Reception Room. *Newcomer classes are held about 3 times per year.*

APR 24 – THE ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT OF THE CHOIRS OF GRACE CHURCH 7 p.m. on Friday, April 24. The Choir of Men and Boys, The Girls' Choir and Adult Choirs will join forces to offer some of our favorite anthems by Bairstow, Beethoven, Byrd, Mozart, Palestrina, Stanford and Tallis. Our organ scholar, George Fergus will tickle the keys and pedals with an amazing display at the Bicentennial Organ and a merry noise will be enjoyed by all. The music offered is a sampler of the program the choirs will offer this summer as they tour France. Get your tickets [HERE](#) to the special benefit reception and help the Choirs raise funds for their summer concert tour to France.

MAY 8, 9 – THE CHORAL SOCIETY AND ORCHESTRA SPRING CONCERTS at Grace Church: Friday, May 8 at 8 pm and Saturday, May 9 at 3 pm. REQUIEM with works by Britten, Howells and Vaughan Williams. The 70 minute program features some of the most heartfelt and elegaic choral music ever written. Tickets on sale at [HERE](#) at the Choral Society website.

Next Sunday...

April 12, 2015

The Second Sunday of Easter

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Sermon: Ms. Hershey Mallette

Music: The Parish Choir

11 a.m. Morning Prayer

Sermon: Ms. Hershey Mallette

Music: The Adult Choir

4 p.m. Choral Evensong

EXCERPTS FROM HANDEL'S MESSIAH PART III

The Adult Choir with the Parish Choir

6 p.m. Holy Eucharist, in the Chantry

Sermon: The Rev. Mary Cat Young

Music: Hymns with Instrumentalists

To find service information, you may visit

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The Epistle E-news is on recess next week, but will return to your inbox in time for Sunday, April 19th. Happy Easter!

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