



### PRIMATE'S EASTER MESSAGE

JESUS CHRIST is Risen today. He is alive. One who believes that Jesus rose from the dead, ascended into heaven and now sitteth on the right hand of God Almighty, and one day He will come again to take His believers that all who believes in Him shall live with Him for ever and ever, is Christian in reality.

Nowadays people celebrate Easter according to their belief and their religious denominations. Christians commemorate Good Friday as the day that Jesus died and Easter Sunday as the day that He resurrected.

God sent His Word in a form of a child, being born to Mary the Virgin, as God's only begotten Son. He was crucified; nailed, wore thorn Crown, and was pierced in His Bosom and Holy precious Blood flowed covering all our sins which washed them away and lo our sins rolled away so far away as East is to West. Only thing is confession of sin. Any one who believes in Jesus Christ is our Redeemer; Jesus is sufficient to clean his soul and body and makes him pure like a child to enter into Heaven. He died, descended into Hell and rose on the third day and that is Easter, our Belief. Many saw Him, met Him, He talked and walked with many, ate roasted fish with His disciples etc.

But, Thomas didn't believe. Jesus suddenly appeared in midst of all disciples, and asked Thomas to see His wounds. Thomas felt sorry. Jesus blessed every one there gave peace to them. All were very happy to see Jesus but suspicious also, as even today many are suspicious. They see Jesus Christ from the Science point of view. They say Disciples might have stolen Jesus body or He might be fainted and so many sayings are there in the world about Jesus.

But again we are proud to say our loving Lord Jesus Christ arose from the Dead and ascended into Heaven in front of the crowd and two angels who told them: as you see Jesus going to Heaven one day you'll see Him coming on clouds to Judge. As Jesus died we die with Him and as

Jesus arose from the dead and lives we also live with Him and will live with Him for ever.

So, we are waiting for Him to come for second time. When He will come like a king. Those who crucified Him, pierced, mocked, spate and beat will regret and ask sorry and will kneel down in front of Him.

Now we have to judge ourselves, in which queue are we. Are we ready to go with Jesus on cloud? This Easter we have to decide. This Easter may be special for all of us.

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**ANGLICAN CHURCH IN AMERICA  
CONSECRATES SUFFRAGAN BISHOP**

THE Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church in America (Traditional Anglican Communion), the Most Rev. Brian Marsh, has announced that the Rev. John Vaughan was consecrated Bishop Suffragan for the Diocese of the Eastern United States at a special service which took place at St Stephen's Pro-Cathedral in Timonium, Maryland. Other consecrators were The Rt. Rev. Stephen D. Strawn, Bishop Ordinary of the Diocese of the Missouri Valley and The Rt. Rev. Chandler Holder Jones, Suffragan Bishop of the Anglican Province of America. Co-consecrators were The Rt. Rev. George D. Langberg of the Anglican Church in America and The Rt. Rev. Robert Loiselle of the Anglican Province of America. Bishop Vaughan, who is Rector of St Patrick's Church in Titusville, Florida, will serve the Diocese of the Eastern United States, a diocese that embraces over a dozen parishes in the southeastern part of the country.

Bishop Vaughan was born on February 22nd 1957, in Dublin Pike, White's Cross, County Cork Ireland and is the fifth of ten children born to John Vaughan and Eileen McCarthy. He received his Primary education at Blackpool Boys National School (Brockelsbey Street Academy) and his High School Education at the School of Commerce In Cork City Ireland. After High School in 1974 he enlisted in the Irish Army where he served for three years as an infantry man and had training as a medical orderly. Upon completion of military service, he worked at St. Stephen's Hospital in Sarsfield's Court, Cork. The Bishop began his studies for the priesthood in 1979 at St. John's College Seminary in Waterford, Ireland and has diplomas in Philosophy and in Theology from St. John's College as well as a Degree in Theology from St. Patrick's Pontifical University in Maynooth, Ireland.

In 1985 Bishop Vaughan was ordained to the priesthood at St. Michael's Church Upper Glanmire, County Cork, Ireland. Shortly after Ordination he left Ireland and relocated to the United States to serve the people of the Roman

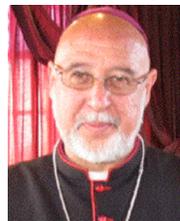
Catholic archdiocese of Miami Florida and the Episcopal Diocese of Florida. In 2005 he began his service in the Anglican Church in America at St. Patrick's Church in Port St. John, Florida until being appointed Vicar General of the Diocese of the Eastern United States in 2011. He is a resident of Titusville, Florida and has one son. He was elected Bishop Suffragan at the Diocese of the Eastern United States (ACA) Synod in February.

Prior to his consecration, Bishop Vaughan was presented with a hand made crozier, one that had been created by a member of St. Stephens's church. The crozier features a carved shamrock. The Shamrock is representative of Bishop Vaughan's Irish heritage. It is also a symbolic means whereby Celtic priests have traditionally explained the Trinity.



*Consecration of The Rt Rev John Vaughan, photo taken with The Rt. Rev. Stephen D. Strawn, The Most Rev. Brian Marsh, Council Nedd II, The Rt Rev George D. Langberg of the ACA and The Rt Rev Robert Loiselle, The Rt Rev Chandler Holder Jones.*

**THE TRADITIONAL ANGLICAN COMMUNION  
CHRISTIANS ON THE MOVE!**



NOTHING is worse than the feeling of not knowing where one is going. Being lost is never a pleasant experience. Following press and news around matters within the Traditional Anglican Communion in 2011, some people have thrown up their hands and cried that all is lost. Nothing could be further from the truth. The Traditional Anglican Communion is emerging as a strongly unified and committed body of Continuing Anglicans, determined to carry the Gospel into the world with great vigour, the message enhanced by the beauty and grace of Anglican liturgy and worship and the use of the Book of Common Prayer.

The emerging leadership of the Traditional Anglican Communion (TAC) is young and vigorous. The fellowship between the leaders, Bishops, Vicars General and Chancellors, is regular and congenial, and the commitment to growth and spiritual excellence is shared by all. The future for the TAC looks extremely bright. Many TAC leaders who were double-minded in terms of identity have indicated their intention to, or have moved on to Ordinariates, resulting in a more focused, dedicated group of Anglican leaders now being in place. The sense of fellowship and inter-church co-operation is stronger than it has been for many years, and that bodes well for the future. The moment the leaders engaged in conversation and shared experiences and interpretations of events, a positive and dynamic interaction began. Soon it embraced the USA, Southern Africa, UK, Zambia, Zimbabwe, the Church of Umzi Wase Tiyopiya, Central America, India, Canada and parts of Australia.

The remaining Bishops and Vicars General of the Traditional Anglican Communion are determined that all faithful members shall have pastoral and Episcopal oversight. No one will be left isolated or alone, even if some of their clergy or Bishops have left for an Ordinarate. We will ensure spiritual care for all our TAC people, no matter how remote their location may be.

Part of the task of the Continuing Anglican Movement was the need to reclaim, or retake Anglicanism from the liberal and secular men and women who have it by the throat. We are determined to fulfil that part of our mission. We will offer those cast out by their previous spiritual homes a place of stability and solace. We will continue in the Faith of our fathers.

The World Consultation on Continuing Anglicans held in Brockton, Massachusetts, in November 2011, saw our friendships as TAC clergy further cemented and developed. Present at that Conference were TAC delegates from the USA, India, Central America and Southern Africa, with interest and apologies from Canada and the UK. The TAC input at that Conference was powerful and vibrant. It was obvious to all that we are a globally cohesive and focused Communion, intent on spreading the Christian Gospel through our Anglican liturgy and worship and our preaching of the Word. Our fellowship with the other Continuing Anglican groups was warm and positive, with the Anglican Province of America, Anglican Catholic Church, and Federation of Anglican Churches in the Americas leadership all present. We were aware of a

corporate mission and equally aware of there being room enough in Our Lord's vineyard for all to be allowed to prosper, despite some of our differences.

It is sometimes necessary to cut back a plant to allow for renewed growth. I think most gardeners are familiar with this necessity? The current situation is that the Traditional Anglican Communion is poised for a brilliant and sustained period of growth. We have shaken off the shackles of our recent past, broken our "Cone of Silence" and we are very much "on the move".

Although many Continuing Anglican churches in the developed world are filled with senior citizens, that is not the picture in the TAC in the developing countries. Here, our churches are filled with young people. Large numbers of young people are baptised and confirmed regularly, and the youth groups are overflowing. Youth Catechists lead worship and preach in the services and many "home-grown" young men are coming forward for Ordination and training for ministry. Women's groups are flourishing and there is a lively interaction between countries and churches. The churches and parishes have vibrant men's fellowship groups and there is a strong commitment to answering social problems such as poverty, teenage pregnancies and the scourge of HIV and AIDS. The future of the Traditional Anglican Communion is ensured and this energy will be carried into all parts of our Communion.

Brothers and sisters, we lose hope too quickly! We allow ourselves to be buffeted by negative moments in our own lives and in the life of the church. Our Lord will never forsake His people, and as long as we are faithful, diligent and obedient to His Word and commandments, He will continue to bless us!

I do hope that what you have read has warmed your heart. Whether you are in the cold of Alaska or the burning heat of Botswana, in a city or in the rural countryside, the Traditional Anglican Communion remains committed to your spiritual well-being, will provide you with ministry and the sacraments, and no matter what people say, will be there for you, your children and your children's children!

God bless and keep you.

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and Secretary to the College of Bishops  
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## NOVENA IN PREPARATION FOR PENTECOST

It is customary for Christians to prepare for the great Feast of Pentecost celebrated on Whitsunday, by praying a Novena for the Holy Spirit. A novena is a nine-day period of prayer in preparation for some particular feast in the Christian Calendar, or to pray for some special intention. The first novena was kept at the express command of the Risen Christ, by the Apostles, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the disciples in the Upper Room from the day of our Lord's Ascension to Pentecost (see Acts 1:12-14).

*The Novena in preparation for Pentecost begins on the Friday after Ascension Day and goes to the Saturday before Whitsunday, the Day of Pentecost. On each day the Novena begins with the following prayers:*

**O** HOLY SPIRIT, my Lord and my God, I adore thee and humbly acknowledge here in thy sacred Presence that I am nothing, and can do nothing, without thy operation within me. Come, great Paraclete, thou Father of the poor, thou Comforter of the blest, fulfill the promise of our Saviour, who would not leave us orphans, and enter my mind and heart as thou didst descend on the day of Pentecost upon the holy Mother of Jesus and upon His first disciples. Grant that I may have a part in those gifts which thou didst do prodigally bestow upon them.

O Holy Spirit, thou Giver of every good and perfect gift, grant to me the intentions of this novena of prayer. May the Father's will be done in me and through me. And mayest thou, O mighty Spirit of the living God, be praised and glorified for ever and ever. Amen.

*Then is said the Lord's Prayer, together with the Hail Mary, and the Glory be. At the conclusion of which is said one of the proper prayers for each day, as follows:*

**Friday:** Come, O Holy Ghost, thou Lord and Life-giver; take up thy dwelling within me, and make of me thy sacred temple, that I may live by grace as an adopted child of God. Fill my soul, and create in me a fountain of living water springing up to life everlasting.

**Saturday:** Come, O Spirit of Wisdom, and reveal to my soul the mysteries of heavenly things, their exceeding greatness, and power, and beauty. Teach me to love them above and beyond all the passing joys and satisfactions of earth. Show me the way by which I may be able to attain to them, and possess them, and hold them hereafter, my own for ever.

**Sunday:** Come, O Spirit of Understanding, and enlighten my mind, that I may know and believe all the mysteries of salvation, that at the last I may come to the eternal light, there to enjoy with all the Saints the clear vision of thy glory, who with the Father and the Son art One God, for ever and ever.

**Monday:** Come, O Spirit of Counsel, help and guide me in all my ways, that I may always follow in the way of Christ. Incline my heart to that which is good, turn it away from all that is evil, and direct me by the path of thy commandments to the goal of eternal life.

**Tuesday:** Come, O Spirit of Fortitude, and give courage to my soul. Make my heart strong in all trials and in all distress, pouring forth abundantly into it the gifts of strength, that I may be able to resist the attacks of the devil.

**Wednesday:** Come, O Spirit of Knowledge, and make me understand and reject the emptiness and nothingness of the world. O thou Spirit of the Triune God, give me grace to use the world only for thy glory and the salvation of thy creatures. May I always be faithful in putting thy rewards before every earthly gift.

**Thursday:** Come, O Spirit of Piety, possess my heart; incline it to a true faith in my Saviour Christ, that in him I may with my whole soul seek the Father, and find in the Godhead of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost my best, my truest joy.

**Friday:** Come, O Spirit of holy Fear, penetrate my inmost heart, that I may set thee, my Lord and God, before my face for ever, and shun all things that offend thee. May I be made worthy to appear before the pure eyes of the divine Majesty in the heaven of heavens, where thou livest and reignest in the unity of the Ever-blessed Trinity, world without end.

**Saturday:** Come, O Holy Comforter, and grant me a delight in heavenly things. Produce in my soul the fruits of virtue, so that, being filled with all sweetness and joy in the pursuit of good, I may attain unto eternal blessedness.