THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR		
Monday-Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Mattins
Monday	7:30 p.m.	Outreach Cttee.
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	1:00 p.m.	Pickleball
	8:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Advent Quiet Day



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The Church of St. Martinin-the-Fields



The
First Sunday
of Advent

December 3, 2017

#### 8:30 a.m. SAID EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Fr. Philip

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Kyrie, page 186

The Collect (see leaflet inside)

First Reading: Isaiah 64.1-9

Psalm 80. 1-7 (see leaflet inside)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.3-9

The Holy Gospel: Mark 13.24-37

Homily: Fr. Philip

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Prayer over the Gifts (see leaflet inside)

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The Breaking of the Bread 5, page 212

Communion

Prayer after Communion (see leaflet inside)

The Doxology, page 214 Blessing and Dismissal.

#### 11:00 A.M. THE GREAT LITANY & SUNG EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Fr. Philip

Nursery Care (for infants & children up to 4 years old) and Church School classes are available downstairs.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Great Litany (in procession), page 138 (green book)

The Collect see leaflet (standing)

#### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 64.1-9 Psalm 80.1-7 (see leaflet)

Tone 4.5

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.3-9

Gospel Acclamation

Maranatha Alleluia Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. Maranatha Alleluia

The Holy Gospel: Mark 13.24-37

Sermon: Fr. Philip

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Merbecke

Confession and Absolution, page 191 (please kneel)

The Peace, page 192

#### THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn 114 (blue book)

Helmsley

Prayer over the Gifts (see leaflet)

Music of the Mass: Missa Emmanuel

Richard Proulx

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The Lord's Prayer, page 211 (music, page 918)

The Breaking of the Bread 5, page 212

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Communion Hymn 96 Fauxbourdon: Dufay

Carol

Prayer after Communion, page 214—bottom

Blessing

Hymn: 97 Tantum Ergo

The Dismissal

Please join us for refreshments after the service.

Please also put on the envelope the name or names of those in whose memory the donation is made to be included in the bulletin.

## **Christmas Pageant**

The Christmas Pageant is only 3 weeks away. Please let Grace know if your child or grandchild would like to participate. Scripts are now available.

# **Ecumenical Advent Service**

You are invited to an ecumenical service of Advent readings and carols at St. Joan of Arc Church this Tuesday, December 5 at 7:30 pm.

## Mark your Calendars!

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, December 17th at 4:30 p.m. to welcome the local community for Carolling in the Garden!

Remember to dress warmly – and bring a flashlight with you as well as your voices to welcome our visitors and to sing with enthusiasm!

We will be toasting marshmallows and serving hot cider and hot chocolate. If you could help with any of this, please speak to Glen Storey or Kathie Wagg. We look forward to your participation in spreading our mission into the neighbourhood.

## **Advent Evening of Reflection**

On Wednesday, December 13 from 7:30—9:00 p.m. in the Guild Room, Fr. Philip will lead a discussion of Advent themes helping us to prepare for the coming of our Lord now, and at the end of the ages.

# **Toiletries for Out of the Cold**

A box is available at the back of the church to receive your donations of toiletries which can be given out to individuals who come to use the Out of the Cold program at St. Matthew's, Islington. Small toothpastes, shaving cream and other such items are particularly helpful. Small shampoos etc. often "borrowed" from hotel rooms and other places would be very useful.

# **Better Sight & Sound**

Large print copies of the bulletin and hymn book are available from the sidespeople, as are ear pieces that provide enhanced hearing.

#### **The Christmas Story**

The Christmas Story has been a Toronto tradition since 1938 at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Eaton Centre. The volunteer cast along with professional musicians present this amazing hour-long Nativity pageant over three weekends, December 8-10, 15-17, 22-24. There are 4:30 p.m. matinees and 7:30 p.m. evening shows on many of the days. Please check the web site at *thechristmasstory.ca* for dates and times and to reserve tickets.

#### Announcements

## **Advent Quiet Day**

We look forward to our Advent Quiet Day next Saturday, December 9th from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The speaker for the Day will be the Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, whose theme will be *Mary: Her Salutation, Her Song, Her Service*. The cost is \$10 which includes lunch. Registration forms are available at the back of the church.

# **Advent Carol Service**

Our annual service of Advent Lessons & Carols will take place next Sunday, December 10th at 7:30 p.m. We need your help with the refreshments after the service. Many people from the wider community join us for this service and we want to welcome them with savoury finger foods and desserts prepared by parishioners. Please speak to Kathie Wagg if you could bring some food, or to Cindy Paget if you could help with set up or clean up.

#### Thank you

Thank you to all those parishioners who prepared and served the dinner last Sunday evening as part of the Out of the Cold program at St. Matthew's, Islington.

# **Annual Stewardship Campaign**

While this year's campaign is officially over, your Pledge, and Time & Talent Sheet can still be submitted on the collection plate. Pledges and commitments of Time & Talent are so important to the annual budgeting process and in helping to keep St. Martin's running smoothly. These can also be submitted on-line – it's confidential, fast and easy – go to <a href="www.stmartininthefields.ca">www.stmartininthefields.ca</a> and follow the link. Thank you to all who have already provided your pledge

## **Redwood Shelter Advent Tree**

The Outreach Committee is raising money to help the residents of the Redwood Shelter for abused women and children. You can help by buying a \$2 or \$5 ornament to put on the narthex Advent Tree.

### **Christmas Cheer**

Envelopes are available at the rear of the church for those who wish to contribute to *Christmas Cheer*. This money is used to purchase small Christmas gifts for parishioners in nursing homes and shut-in at home and also to assist those in need in our community. We will also be providing Christmas gifts for six refugees from Romero House.

# **Christmas Flowers**

To contribute towards the flowers in the church at Christmas, please use one of the special envelopes available at the rear of the church.

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The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God in memory and thanksgiving for the lives of William and Evelyn Goddard, and Richard and Flori Reininger, by their children, John and Susan Goddard.

#### The Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

### A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Isaiah 64:1–9

Psalm 80.1-7

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# A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Corinthians 1:3–9

# The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake." Mark 13:24-37

# Prayer over the Gifts

God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.



THE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
ISAIAH 40:1-11; PSALM 85:1-2, 8-13;
2 PETER 3:8-15A; MARK 1:1-8