



The Church of St. Martin- in-the- Fields

The Fourth
Sunday
of Advent

December 24,
2017



The Annunciation by American artist John Collier

8:30 a.m. SAID EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Fr. Philip

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Kyrie, page 186

The Collect (*see leaflet inside*)

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7.1-11, 16

Psalm 89.1-4, 19-26 (*see leaflet inside*)

Second Reading: Romans 16.25-27

The Holy Gospel: Luke 1.26-38

Homily: Fr. Philip

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Confession and Absolution, page 191

Prayer over the Gifts (*see leaflet inside*)

Eucharistic Prayer 3, page 198

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Communion

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Blessing

Dismissal.



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The Rev'd Canon Harold Nahabedian
The Rev'd Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan

11:00 A.M. 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

Introit Hymn 267

Puer Nobis Nascitur (155)

Greeting, Collect for Purity, page 185 (green book)

Kyrie / Trisagion, page 186/7

The Collect *see leaflet (standing)*

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7.1-11, 16

Psalm 89.1-4, 19-26 (*see leaflet*)

Tone 8.1

Second Reading: Romans 16.25-27

Gospel Acclamation

Maranatha Alleluia *I am the servant of the Lord;*

let it be to me according to his word. **Maranatha Alleluia**

The Holy Gospel: Luke 1.26-38

Sermon: the Rev'd Canon Harold Nahabedian

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Prayers of the People 12, page 119

Confession and Absolution, page 191 (*please kneel*)

The Peace, page 192

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn 89

Veni Emmanuel

Prayer over the Gifts (*see leaflet*)

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

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The Communion, page 213

Communion Hymn 117

Es ist ein' Ros

Carol

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The Blessing

Hymn 141

Noel

The Dismissal

Please join us for refreshments downstairs following the service

New Year's Levee

The Bishops of the diocese invite you to the New Year's Day Levee on Monday, January 1st at the Cathedral from 1:30-2:45 p.m. Festive music follows at 3 p.m. with Evensong sung at 3:30 p.m.

Bishop's Town Hall

Bishop Anderson invites parishioners from the York Credit Valley Area to a Town Hall at St. John's, Dixie from 9 a.m. –12p.m. on Saturday, January 13th to focus on long term priorities for mission in our episcopal Area.

Carolling

Thank you to the Missional Committee and all those who assisted with our very successful Carolling in the Garden last Sunday afternoon.

Services this Week

Sunday	7 p.m. & 11 p.m.	Christmas Eve Services
Monday	11:00 a.m.	Eucharist with Carols
Tuesday - Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Mattins
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Eucharist

Christmas at St. Martin's

Christmas Eve *Sunday, December 24*

7:00 p.m. Christmas Pageant & Sung Eucharist

11:00 p.m. Procession and Blessing of the Crib

with Sung Eucharist

Christmas Day *Monday, December 25*

11:00 a.m. Eucharist with Carols

followed by the Christmas Lunch

First Sunday after Christmas *Sunday, December 31*

8:30 a.m. Eucharist

11:00 a.m. Christmas Lessons & Carols with Eucharist

The Feast of the Epiphany *Sunday, January 7*

8:30 a.m. Eucharist

11:00 a.m. Procession & Sung Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious God, by the power of the Spirit who sanctified the mother of your Son, make holy all we offer you this day. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

Christmas Day Lunch

The parish will be serving lunch (turkey and all the fixings) after the 11 a.m. Christmas Day Eucharist. To attend, please speak to Lindsey Storey today. No tickets are required. A donation would be appreciated.

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.

Toiletries for Out of the Cold

The Out of the Cold programme at St. Matthew's, Islington supported by our parish is looking for toiletries to give to those who come to the weekly dinner. Do you have small toiletries (toothbrushes, small toothpastes, disposable razors, shampoos, soaps etc.) that you could donate? Please place your donations in the box at the back of the church. Thank you.

2018 Flower Chart

A new flower chart has been posted in the narthex. Please put your name by the Sunday(s) that you would like to sponsor the flowers in the church in 2018.

Tax Receipts

The Envelope Secretary reminds parishioners that in order for donations to be receipted for the year 2017, they must be received at the church no later than next Sunday, December 31st.

Christmas Crèches

Why not have a look at the collection of crèches (some owned by the parish, others loaned by parishioners) on display in the glass case in the narthex?

Christmas Communion

If you know of anyone either in hospital or at home who would like to receive Christmas Communion, please speak to Fr. Philip.

The Collect

Heavenly Father, who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

Psalm 89.1-4, 19-26

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen. *Romans 16:25–27*



The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Hail, O favoured one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of his kingdom there will be no end." And Mary said to the angel, "How shall this be, since I have no husband?" And the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, your kinswoman Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For with God nothing will be impossible." And Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her. *Luke 1:26–38*