

Christmas Day 2017

11:00 a.m.

*The parish thanks the St. Martin's Scouting groups
for the gift of the beautiful Christmas trees
which were cut from their own camp site.*



Christmas at St. Martin's

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



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

CHRISTMAS DAY

11:00 a.m. Eucharist with Carols

Celebrant: Fr. Philip

Hymn: 153 (Blue Book) In Dulci Jubilo
Greeting and Collect for Purity, page 185 (Green Book)
Gloria, page 186
The Collect of the Day. (*See Leaflet,*)

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 62.6-12
Psalm 97 (*see leaflet*)
Second Reading: Titus 3.4-7
Hymn: 148 See Amid the Winter's Snow
The Holy Gospel: Luke 2.1-20
Homily: Fr. Philip
The Nicene Creed, page 188
Prayers of the People 13, page 120
Confession and Absolution, page 191 (*please kneel*)
The Peace, page 192 (*please stand*)
You are invited to exchange the peace of Christ with those around you.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: 121 Forest Green
Prayer over the Gifts (*see leaflet*)
Eucharistic Prayer 3, page 198
The Lord's Prayer (traditional), page 211
The Breaking of the Bread 6, page 213
Communion, page 213
*Every baptized person is invited to receive Holy Communion.
Should you prefer to receive a Christmas blessing at the altar rather
than the consecrated bread and wine, please indicate your wish by
crossing your arms across your chest.*
Prayer after Communion, (*see leaflet*)
Blessing of the People
Hymn: 118 (Omit v. 5a) Adeste fideles
Please remain standing for the Dismissal.

Announcements

Christmas Day Lunch

The Christmas Day Lunch (turkey and all the fixings!) follows this service in the Parish Hall. All are welcome. A donation towards the cost of the lunch would be appreciated.

Better Sight and Sound

Large print editions of the bulletin and hymn book are available from the sidespeople. Earpieces for increased sound reproduction are also available.

Thank you

Thank you to all those who purchased ornaments to decorate the narthex tree. \$370 was raised and used to buy grocery vouchers for families from the Redwood Shelter who are starting over. Thank you also to all those who contributed to Christmas Cheer. Your donations allowed us to buy gifts for refugees from Romero House and for parishioners who are shut-in at home, and also made it possible to help those in need in our neighbourhood.

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 this coming Sunday, December 31st.

2018 Flower Chart

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

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?

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.

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.

Toiletries for Out of the Cold

Please place your donations of small toiletries (toothbrushes, small toothpastes, disposable razors, shaving soap, shampoos, soaps etc.) for the Out of the Cold programme at St. Matthew's, Islington that is supported by our parish. These will be given to those who come to the weekly dinner.

WELCOME!

If you are visiting with us today you are welcome here.
God's blessing and a happy Christmas to all!

The Christmas flowers are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of

Ron McCuaig	Bruce McKnight
Swithenbank Family	Agnes & James McKnight
David Yee	Charles & Mary McKnight
Carol Drake	Agnes & Roy Johnson
Freddie Nisan	Bill DeRoche
Ruby Furry	Timothy Collin
Beth Clarke	Vartares & Frances Nahabedian
Gordon Hunt	Marven & Isa Reid
Margaret Drury-Gane	Gregoire Dantcikian
Bernie Moloney	Walter Joseph
Jennings/Martin Family	Edmund Charles
Stanley Fulford	Salomie Wyne
Jason St. Bernard	Robinson Lydian
Franklyn St. Bernard	Vera & Lee Barwick
Allen Hobson	Isabel & Federico Losaria
Sydney & May James	Abelardo Losaria
Charles & Ivy Hobson	Alex Gibson
Anthony Attwood	Al Offstein
Daphne Keith	David Nadeau
Evelyn Pollock	Andrew Leonard
Robert & Mary Christie	Bjorn Jacobs
Jim, Edith & Allister Christie	Indra Gubbins
George & Pam Christie	Bud Laking
Jack Campbell	Barbara Atkinson
Angus MacPherson	Rrapo Kananaj
Nell Menzies	Agron Kananaj
Robert & Margaret Pollock	Njazi Kananaj
Lillian King	Joey Stewart
May Leitch	Margaret Kostin
Arthur Yee	Bill Erskill
James Muir	Vince Albert
Costa & Eulalie Rousso	John & Ellie Rousso
Pauline Fallis	Geraldine Pfaehler
Renee Carter	Hans Laufer



We thank Jack Hattey our organist today.

Collect

Almighty God, you wonderfully created and yet more wonderfully restored our human nature. May we share the divine life of your Son Jesus Christ, who humbled himself to share our humanity, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading From the Book of Isaiah

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the Lord, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The Lord has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have laboured; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the Lord, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts! Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." They shall be called, "The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord"; and you shall be called, "Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken."

Isaiah 62.6-12

Psalm 97

The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice;
let the multitudes of the isles be glad.
Clouds and darkness are round about him,
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
A fire goes up before him
and burns up his enemies on every side.
His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees it and is afraid.
The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declare his righteousness,
 and all the peoples see his glory.
 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false
 gods!
 Bow down before him, all you gods..
 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,
 because of your judgements, O Lord.
 For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth;
 you are exalted far above all gods.
 The Lord loves those who hate evil;
 he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the
 hand of the wicked.
 Light has sprung up for the righteous,
 and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous,
 and give thanks to his holy name.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to Titus

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Titus 3.4-7

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in

bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: To you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!” When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Luke 2:1-20

Prayer over the Gifts

God of peace, your Son Jesus Christ has reconciled us to you. May all we offer you today renew us as members of your household. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Father of all, the child born for us is the Saviour of the world. May he who made us your children welcome us into your kingdom, where he is alive and reigns with you now and for ever. **Amen.**

Services this Week

Tuesday - Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Mattins
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Eucharist