

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 this coming 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.

New Year's Levee

The Bishops of the diocese invite you to the New Year's Day Levee at the Cathedral from 1:30 – 2:45 p.m. Festive music and Evensong follow at 3 p.m.

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.



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Christmas Eve, 2017

11:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve

Procession & Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: Fr. Philip

Prelude: La Grâce Telemann
 Priest: Let us go forth in peace.
 People: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**
 Processional Hymn: 118, vv 1-2 (Blue Book) Adeste Fideles
 Priest: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
 People: **God is the Lord who has shown us light**
 Priest: Almighty and everliving God, you have made this night holy
 by the birth of Jesus Christ. Bless and hallow this manger scene that
 we who look upon it may enter with joy into the celebration of this
 holy feast, and rejoice forever as your sons and daughters; through
 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**
 Entry Hymn 118 vv. 3-5
 The Gloria, page 186 (Green Book) Mathias
 The Collect *see leaflet (remain standing)*

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7
 Psalm 96.1-4, 11,12 (*see leaflet*) Tone 1.3
 Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14
 Acclamation Nicolas Martin c. 1550. Arr. W. Deller 1998

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1-20
 Homily: the Reverend Canon Susan Bell
 The Nicene Creed, page 188 Merbecke
 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 148 See Amid the Winter's Snow
 Eucharistic Prayer 3, page 198

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.



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

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| 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 |

Prayer over the Gifts

Source of light and gladness, accept all we offer on this joyful feast. May we grow up in him who unites our lives to yours; for he is Lord now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Father of all, tonight you have united earth and heaven in sending your Son to take our human nature. May we who have tasted heavenly things share in the life of his eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Musicians:

The Choir of St. Martin-in-the-Fields
Choir Director: Jack Hattey
Trumpet: Paul Sanvidotti

Christmas at St. Martin's

Christmas Day *Monday, December 25*
11:00 a.m. Eucharist with Carols
followed by Christmas Lunch

St. Stephen *Tuesday, December 26*
10:00 a.m. Eucharist

The 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

Christmas Day Lunch

The parish will be serving lunch (turkey and all the fixings) after the 11 a.m. Christmas Day Eucharist. No tickets are required. A donation would be appreciated. All are welcome.

Music of the Mass: *Mass at the Crib*

George Malcolm

The Lord's Prayer, page 211 (*music-page 918, Green Book*)

The Breaking of the Bread 6, page 213

The 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.

Communion Hymn 121

Forest Green

Carol: *Here Are We in Bethlehem*

Healey Willan

Prayer after Communion, (*see leaflet*)

The Blessing of the People

Hymn 138

Mendelssohn

Please remain standing for the Dismissal.

Postlude: La Réjouissance

Telemann

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Collect

Eternal God, this holy night is radiant with the brilliance of your one true light. As we have known the revelation of that light on earth, bring us to see the splendour of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



Welcome!

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

A Reading From the Book of Isaiah

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Isaiah 9:2-7

Psalm 96.1-4, 11, 12

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to Titus

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

Titus 2:11-14

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.