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

The Presentation of our Lord

February 3, 2019

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The Rev’d Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan
**11:00 A.M. PROCESSION & SUNG EUCHARIST**

Celebrant—Fr. Philip

**Blessing of Candles & Procession**

Priest: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Priest: Let us pray.  *(Prayer for the Blessing of Candles)*

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_During the singing of the canticle the candles of the congregation are lit._

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace.

People: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Hymn:**  
_St. Fulbert_

1. O Sion, open wide thy gates, old types now disappear;  
a Priest and Victim, both in one the Truth himself, is here.

2. No more the simple flock shall bleed; behold the Father’s Son  
himself to his own altar comes, for sinners to atone.

Priest: We have waited in silence on your loving kindness, O Lord;

People: **In the midst of your temple.**

Priest: Let us pray.  *(The Station Collect follows.)*

**Hymn continues**

3. Conscious of hidden Deity, the lowly Virgin brings  
her new-born Babe, with two young doves, her tender offerings.

4. The aged Simeon sees at last his Lord so long desired,  
and Anna welcomes Israel’s Hope with holy rapture fired.

5. But silent knelt the Mother blest of the yet silent Word  
and, pondering all things in her heart, with speechless praise adored.

6. All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son,  
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, while endless ages run.  
_(Please extinguish your candles after the hymn concludes.)_

Glory to God, page 186 (Green BAS)  
Collect  _see leaflet (standing)_  

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4  
Psalm 84:1-7 *(see leaflet)*  
Second Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18  
_(The candles of the congregation are lit for the reading of the Gospel.)_

Gospel Acclamation  
**Alleluia. This is a light to reveal God to the nations and the glory of his people Israel. Alleluia.**

**Vestry List**

The Parochial Tribunal has compiled the Vestry List of those eligible to vote at the annual Vestry meeting on Sunday, February 24. Please check the copies posted on the bulletin boards. If your name is not there or there is an error, please speak to either of the Tribunal members, Patty Mc Knight or Tim Stephenson.

**Forward Day by Day**

Copies of _Forward Day by Day_, a daily guide to scripture and prayer, for February to April are available at the back of the church. Please put an extra loonie on the collection plate to cover the cost. Thank you.

**Nominations for Vestry**

Our annual Vestry meeting will be held on Sunday, February 24 after the 11 a.m. service. A Nominations Committee has been formed by Parish Council and Management Board to bring forward a slate of candidates. If you would be interested in finding out about various positions in the parish, please speak to Cindy Paget or Philip Savage.

**Altar Flowers for 2019**

A new flower chart has been posted on the narthex bulletin board. Please put your name by the Sunday(s) that you would like to sponsor.

**MAID**

In response to high demand, the special forum on Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) which was held in 2018 for the York Credit Valley Area is to be repeated next Saturday, February 9 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at St. Olave’s, Swansea. This session will once again look at the biblical and theological frameworks for thinking about medical assistance in dying. To register for this session, please go to the York Credit Valley Area web page on the diocesan web site (www.toronto.anglican.ca)

**Help needed for the Out of the Cold dinner**

This year, yet again unfortunately, there is a great need for temporary housing for homeless people. The Out of the Cold program helps from November to March with that need. It's not easy to see people sleeping on mattresses in a church basement but it is very special to see how treating those guests with courtesy and respect makes the hosts and helpers feel. St. Martin’s provide the Out of the Cold dinner on Sunday _March 3rd_, at St. Matthew’s, Islington. Here's a chance to be part of that transformative experience. The following volunteers are needed:

- three people to serve in the kitchen and one person to do dishes (who is able to lift a fully loaded dishwasher tray) on Sunday, March 3rd from 4 – 7 p.m. at St. Matthew’s
- people to help with food preparation on Saturday, March 2nd beginning at 9 a.m. at St. Martin’s

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Judith Kidd at the 8:30 a.m. service or at _jvkidd@sympatico.ca_ or contact Glen Storey at the 11 am service or at _storeybook25@gmail.com_
Welcome
We welcome as our preacher today at the 11 a.m. service, the Rev’d Joan Claring-Bould, a priest from the Diocese of Adelaide, Australia who is here in Toronto on her bi-annual quest for snow and cold.

Welcome
We welcome today our new half-time Assistant Curate, the Rev’d Alison Hari-Singh. Alison was born in London, UK, and immigrated to Canada with her family when she was 6 years of age. She was raised in a small town in northern Saskatchewan but moved again with her family to Mississauga where she completed high school. Alison holds a BSc (Hons) in Psychology from the University of Toronto and an MRel from Wycliffe College. She is currently finishing a PhD dissertation in political theology at the Toronto School of Theology, where she also works as the Administrator of the Doctor of Ministry program. Prior to her ordination to the transitional diaconate in May 2018, she was part of the pastoral staff of St. James Cathedral, working with young adults. She is married to the Rev. Jeff Nowers, Associate Priest of St. Aidan’s in the Beach, and they have one young daughter, Ava.

Beat the Winter Blahs!
Join us for an evening of pizza, fun, and fellowship next Saturday, February 9 as we celebrate St. Martin’s Games Night from 5:30—8:00 p.m. All ages are welcome. Bring along your favourite board game to play with others as we come together to beat the winter blahs!

Baptism and Confirmation
Adults interested in preparing for the sacraments of Baptism and/or Confirmation, are invited to speak to Fr. Philip. A preparation programme will begin soon. The diocesan service of Confirmation will take place at St. James’ Cathedral on Sunday, April 28 at 4:30 p.m. Adult baptisms are often celebrated at the Easter Vigil. The Vigil will take place this year on Saturday, April 20 at 8:30 p.m.

Vestry Reports
The chairs of the various parish committees and groups are reminded that their written reports for Vestry should be in the Parish Office by today. It would be helpful if the reports were sent by e-mail to phobson@stmartininthefields.ca Thank you.

Toiletries for Out of the Cold
Thank you to all those who donated toiletries to help those who attend the Out of the Cold programme at St. Matthew’s, Islington supported by our parish. Your donations make a real difference.

(Please extinguish the candles after the reading of the Gospel.)
Sermon: the Rev’d Joan Claring-Bould
The Nicene Creed, page 188
Prayers of the People 13, page 120
Confession and Absolution, page 191 (please kneel)
The Peace, page 192

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
Hymn 132 (Blue Book) Divinum Mysterium
Prayer over the Gifts (see leaflet)
Music of the Mass—Missa Luba
Eucharistic Prayer 3, page 198
The Lord’s Prayer, page 211 (music—page 918)
The Breaking of the Bread 6, page 213
Motet: There is no Rose John Joubert
Communion Hymn: 622 Wie Schön Leuchtet
Prayer after Communion (see leaflet)
The Doxology and Blessing, page 214
Hymn 362
The Dismissal

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the service.

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God with thanks for the life of Rollie Wagg given in appreciation by his wife, Kathie

THE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany, Proper 5
Isaiah 6:1–8 (9–13); Psalm 138;

The Collect
Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for you have sent us your salvation. Inspire us by your Holy Spirit to recognize him who is the glory of Israel and the light for all nations, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
A Reading from the Book of Malachi
See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight — indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Malachi 3:1–4

Psalm 84:1-7

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews
Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself like-wise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Hebrews 2:14-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord”), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.” Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, “Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.” And the child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, “This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed — and a sword will pierce your own soul too.” There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Luke 2:22-40

Prayer over the Gifts
Almighty God, accept the joyful offering of your Church, and grant that your Son may shine in us as the light that lightens every nation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.