The Readings for Next Sunday
The Third Sunday in Lent
ISAIAH 55:1–9; PSALM 63:1–8;
1 CORINTHIANS 10:1–13; LUKE 13:1–9
11:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST
Celebrant: Fr. Philip

The Kid’s Church program is available downstairs

Introit Hymn 347
Greeting and Collect for Purity, page 185
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The Collect see leaflet (standing)

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD
First Reading: Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18
Psalm 27.10-18 (see leaflet)
Second Reading: Philippians 3.17-4.1
Gospel Acclamation:
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of eternal glory.
If you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of eternal glory.
Sermon: the Reverend Alison Hari-Singh
Nicene Creed, page 188
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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
Offertory Hymn 482
Prayer over the Gifts (see leaflet)
Eucharistic Prayer 3, page 198
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Communion Hymn 177
Motet
Post-Communion Prayer and Blessing, page 214
Hymn 575
Dismissal

Please join us downstairs for refreshments following the service.

Save the Date
Mark your calendars now for St. Martin’s parish retreat to be held at Camp Nokomis, Bell Lake from June 7-8, 2019. The speakers will be Monica and Matthew Green (former St. Martin’s parishioners now living in the U.S.). All ages. All welcome.

Mums & Tots Pickleball
Kid’s Church and the Missional Team are hosting a new initiative, an opportunity once a month for Mums & Tots. Child care will be provided so that mothers can play Pickleball on the first Thursday of each month from 9:30 -11:30. Instruction on how to play is provided. All are welcome. The next gathering will be on Thursday, April 4.

Vestry Report
Complete copies of the Vestry Report with the Financial Statements and Rector’s Report to Vestry are available at the back of the church. A digital copy of the report is also available. Please contact the parish office.

Pysanky Workshop
Come on Saturday, April 13 at 10 a.m. and learn how to decorate eggs in the Ukrainian tradition; Please register in advance with Glen Storey. The cost is $5 a person. Making Pysanky involves working with hot wax and lit candles, consequently this workshop is for adults and children 10 years and older. Beginners are welcome. Come and try it!

We can help our Community
Please remember those less fortunate in our neighbourhood by donating some non-perishable food, and household or personal items for our Blessing Box in the Lychgate. You may also have some books to share. There is a box to receive your donations at the back of the church. God bless.

Concert at St. Martin’s
The Voices Chamber Choir will present a concert of Lenten music including Dubois’ Seven Last Words of Christ at St. Martin’s on Sunday, March 30 at 8 p.m. Tickets ($20 adult, $15 student/senior) will be available at the door.

Exploring Faith
This course for 11-13 year olds is being offered at St. Martin's in March over a four week period.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

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FaithWorks
The 2019 FaithWorks campaign begins today. Please pick up your information package at the back of the church. FaithWorks is the Diocese of Toronto’s co-ordinated outreach effort supporting 15 ministry partners who reach out to those in need in our greater Toronto community. You can help in this outreach work by returning your FaithWorks cheque (made out to the parish, memo “FaithWorks”) on the offering plate or by mailing it to the church. For more information, please speak to Judith Kidd.

Lenten Study Series
St. Martin’s parishioner, Dr. Joseph Mangina, is leading a Lenten series on the Apostles’ Creed. All are welcome. The series continues on four consecutive Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. beginning March 19. We are using the book *The Apostles’ Creed: A Guide to the Ancient Catechism* by Ben Myers.

Pilgrimage to Rome
A special presentation will be made next Saturday evening, March 23 by St. Martin’s parishioner, Jenn McIntyre, the Director of Romero House. After a pizza supper at 6 p.m., Jenn will speak about and show pictures of her recent pilgrimage with several others to attend the canonization of Arbp. Oscar Romero at St. Peter’s in Rome. The evening will conclude with Compline.

Dirt Sales
St. Martin’s Scouting groups are again selling bags of soil and fertilizer to help you as you prepare your garden for spring planting, and to help the 32nd Scouting group raise needed funds for their programs. Watch for the Scouts’ table at the Coffee Hour today where you can find out more about what is available for purchase and you can place your orders for later delivery.

Pub Lunch
The Hospitality group invites everyone to join us after the 11:00 a.m. service next Sunday, March 24 for a pub lunch. Ham and scalloped potatoes will be served along with a vegetarian/vegan option. Trifle will be served for dessert and other desserts are welcome. If you have questions or food preferences, please e-mail Tim Stephenson at timjstephenson@gmail.com

FaithWorks Breakfast
Tickets go on sale today for the Lenten FaithWorks Breakfast to be held on Sunday, March 31 between the morning services from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Lenten Quiet Day
St. Martin’s, Holy Cross Priory and St John’s, West Toronto will be co-hosting a Lenten Quiet Day on Saturday, March 30 from 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. at St. John’s, West Toronto. The Rev’d Lucy Reid, the Incumbent of St. Aidan’s in the Beach, will be the leader for the day and her theme will be *Every Breath is Holy.* The registration fee is $10 and includes lunch.

Parish Newsletter
The next edition of *The Lychgate,* is now in preparation. If you have news or an article to submit, please send it to the editors, Ian Greene and Eilonwy Morgan at iangreene0766@rogers.com by next Sunday, March 24.

Announcements

A Reading from the Book of Genesis
After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “You have given me no off-spring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” But the word of the Lord came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, “I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.” But he said, “O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?” He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.” He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.”

The Collect
Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*A Reading from the Book of Genesis*

*The Collect*
Psalm 27.10-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’”


A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians
Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Prayer over the Gifts
God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name.
Amen.