

THE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Third Sunday in Lent

EXODUS 17.1-7; PSALM 95;
ROMANS 5.1-11; JOHN 4.5-42



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

**The Second
Sunday in Lent**

March 8, 2020



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8:30 a.m. SAID EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Fr. Philip

Greeting and Collect for Purity, page 185 (Green Book)

Trisagion, page 187

The Collect (*see leaflet inside*)

First Reading: Genesis 12.1-4a

Psalm 121 (*see leaflet inside*)

Second Reading: Romans 4.1-5, 13-17

The Holy Gospel: John 3.1-17

Homily: Dr. Joseph Mangina

The Nicene Creed, page 188

Prayers of the People 14, page 121

Confession and Absolution, page 191

Prayer over the Gifts (*see leaflet inside*)

Eucharistic Prayer 3, page 198

The Lord's Prayer, page 211

The Breaking of the Bread 7, page 213 & Communion

Prayer after Communion, page 214

Blessing

Dismissal.

11:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Mtr. Alison Hari-Singh

Kid's Church is available downstairs

Introit Hymn: 468

Greeting and Collect for Purity, page 185 (Green Book)

Trisagion, page 187

Collect of the Day (*see leaflet*)

Thornbury

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Genesis 12.1-4a

Psalm 121 (*see leaflet*)

Second Reading: Romans 4.1-5, 13-17

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

*The Son of man must be lifted up, that whoever believes in him
may have eternal life.*

(John 3:14-15)

The Holy Gospel: John 3.1-17

Sermon: Prof. Joseph Mangina

The Nicene Creed, page 188

Prayers of the People 14, page 121

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

Tone 7.2

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn 529

Prayer over the Gifts (*see leaflet*)

Eucharistic Prayer 3, page 198

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

The Breaking of the Bread 7, page 213

The Communion, page 213

Communion Hymn: 610

Motet

Prayer after Communion, page 214

The Blessing of the People

Hymn 345

Dismissal.

Michael

Laying Down

Bourbon

Parish Newsletter

The next edition of the parish newsletter, *The Lychgate*, is now in preparation. If you have an article or news to be included, please send it to the editor, Ian Greene, by March 15 at iangreene0766@rogers.com

Pysanky-style Egg Decorating Workshop

Come and join the Missional Team as we welcome our neighbours to participate in a Pysanky-style Easter egg decorating workshop. The workshop will be held Saturday, April 4 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Because this technique uses open flame, hot wax and sharp objects, participation is restricted to age 12 and over. A separate workshop to decorate eggs will be held at the same time for those under 12. Cost of the workshop is \$5:00 per person. Register downstairs at Coffee Hour or call 416-767-7491 – option 3. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

Easter Flowers

Envelopes are available at the back of the church for those who would like to contribute to the Easter flowers in thanksgiving or in memory of loved ones. Please print the name(s) of those you wished remembered on the envelope.

Out of the Cold

St. Martin's is providing the dinner for the Out of the Cold program this evening at St. Matthew's, Islington. We are grateful to those who have prepared the meal and those who will be serving it today.

Vestry Report

Complete copies of the Vestry Report with the Financial Statements, Budget and Rector's Report are available at the back of the church.

Baptism and Confirmation

Adults interested in preparing for the sacraments of Baptism and/or Confirmation, are invited to speak to Fr. Philip.

Better Sight and Sound

Large print editions of the bulletin and hymn book are available from the sidespeople. They also have ear pieces that provide enhanced hearing

2019 Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for your 2019 donations to St. Martin's have been distributed. If you have any questions about your receipt, please contact the Envelope Secretary, Jonathan Gentry, at gentryleishman@gmail.com.

Blessing Box Reminder

Please don't forget the Blessing Box! Non perishable food, household & personal supplies, cold weather clothing i.e. hats, scarves, mitts, heavy socks, sweaters and hoodies - and books, especially for children. For those who do regularly remember. Thank you !!

Concert at St. Martin's

The Voices Chamber Choir will present *Sorrowful Songs*, a Lenten concert featuring the Stabat Mater of Antonio Caldara, on Saturday, March 28 at 8 p.m. Tickets (\$20 adult, \$15 student/senior) will be available at the door.

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.**

Announcements

Welcome

We welcome as our preacher today Dr. Joseph Mangina, Professor of Systematic Theology at Wycliffe College and a member of our parish choir.

FaithWorks

The 2020 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 16 ministry partners who reach out to those in need in our greater Toronto community and beyond. 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

The Lenten Study continues this week on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Guild Room. Come and discuss how our Christian faith affects the way we address some of the major issues in our society today. Posters are available at the back of the church with more information.

Lenten Quiet Day

St. Martin's, St. John's West Toronto and Holy Cross Priory will again be sponsoring a joint Lenten Quiet Day. It will be held next Saturday, March 14 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at St. John's, West Toronto (near Humber side and High Park). The theme for the day is *Our Life is a Canvas: seeking a balanced life*. The day will be led by Wendy Passmore, the director of the Retreat Centre and Spiritual Direction Ministry at St. John's, Dixie. The cost for the day is \$15 which includes lunch. For more information, please see the poster on the parish bulletin boards.

FaithWorks Breakfast

Mark your calendars now for the FaithWorks Breakfast which will be held between the morning services from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, March 29th. Tickets at \$5 (regular) and \$8 (all you can eat) go on sale today. All proceeds go to support FaithWorks.

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 programme. Watch for the special order table at the Coffee Hour today and next Sunday to ask questions and place orders.



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday	12:45 p.m.	Doors Open Organizing Cttee.
	5:30 p.m.	Out of the Cold Dinner
Monday-Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Mattins
Monday	7:30 p.m.	Parish Council
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	Lenten Study
Thursday	1:00 p.m.	Pickleball
	8:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Lenten Quiet Day (at St. John's)

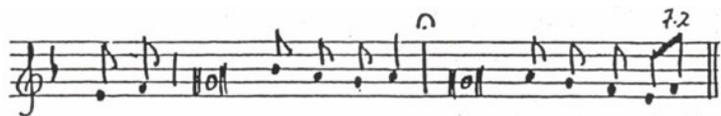
The Collect

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

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Genesis 12:1-4a



Psalm 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; *
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and
your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

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A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is

null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. *Romans 4:1-5,13-17*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

John 3.1-17