



## Church of Saint Martin-in-the-Fields

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### Feast of the Epiphany

January 5, 2025

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

Celebrant & Preacher: *The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, Incumbent*

Mass Setting: *Messe de Minuit*, Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643-1704)

**Welcome!** We are glad to have you join us in worship today.

The order of service is printed below. The words of the service are found in the green *Book of Alternative Services*. The words of the hymns (omitted during the 8:30 a.m. service) are found in the blue *Book of Common Praise*.

Our Church School (for youth up to age 12) gathers downstairs in the Hall prior to the start of worship. They return to the church during the Offertory Hymn, in time for the Communion. New children are always welcome.



Financial offerings can be placed on the collection plate. E-transfers can be sent to [cw-stmartininthefields@toronto.anglican.ca](mailto:cw-stmartininthefields@toronto.anglican.ca). Use the QR Code or visit [www.stmartininthefields.ca/donate](http://www.stmartininthefields.ca/donate) for more information. We are grateful for all contributions towards our ongoing ministry



*Deacon* Let us go forth in peace.

*All* **In the Name of Christ. Amen.**

**Processional Hymn #160** (verses 1 to 3)

*(Dix)*

*Priest* We have seen his star in the east.

*People* **And have come to worship the Lord.**

*Priest* Let us pray. O God the son, highest and holiest, who did humble yourself to share our birth and our death: Bring us with the wisemen to kneel before your lowly cradle, that we may come to sing with your angels your glorious praises in heaven; where you live and reign, world without end. **Amen.**

**Entry Hymn #158**

*(Stuttgart)*

**The Gathering of the Community**

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**Glory to God**

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**The Collect**

Eternal God, who by a star led wise men to the worship of your Son. Guide by your light the nations of the earth, that the whole world may know your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading**

*Isaiah 60:1-6*

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**



10. The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute;  
**and the kings of Arabia and Sabä offer gifts.**
11. **All kings shall bow down before him,  
 and all the nations dö him service.**
12. For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress,  
 and the oppressed who häs nö helper.
13. **He shall have pity on the lowly and poor,  
 he shall preserve the lives öf thë needy.**
14. He shall redeem their lives from oppression and vîolence,  
**and dear shall their blood bë in his sight.**

**The Epistle**

*Ephesians 3:1-12*

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God’s grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God’s grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and

authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

*Reader*            The word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation



### The Holy Gospel

*Deacon*            The Lord be with you.

*People*            **And also with you.**

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew.

*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Matthew 2:1-12*

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." ' Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him,

bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

*Deacon*            The Gospel of Christ.  
*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sermon** *Father Hatt*

**The Nicene Creed** p. 188

**Prayers of the People** Incarnation Litany #13, p. 120

*Parish Prayer Cycle*  
The Clergy Team; Jane and Joe Rozdzilski;  
Adrian Dusanowskyj and Larissa Rozdzilski; Gale Robertson

The Church in Wales

*Diocesan Prayer Cycle*  
Parkdale-West Toronto Deanery

*Those who have asked us for prayers*  
Huntly Andrea Wendy Margaret Timothy Debbie Lynda Bill  
Sean Raymond Bob John Elizabeth Gordon Phil Jonathan  
Mark Jill Ted Fr. Harold Bp. Victoria Janet Marian Ashley  
Mary-Elaine Bp. Geoff Woodcroft Bob Fr David Canon David  
Aubrey Erma Cole MaryLane Joan Mlynarczyk Bernard Diane  
Allan

*The Faithful Departed*  
The Rev'd Canon Eric Beresford

**Confession, Absolution and the Peace** pp. 191-192

**Offertory Hymn #139** (*The First Nowell*)

**Prayer over the Gifts**

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

**The Great Thanksgiving** Eucharistic Prayer #3, pp. 198-200

**The Lord's Prayer, the Breaking of the Bread #6  
and the Communion** pp. 211-213

*Priest* We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.

*People* **God here among us, light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

*The Anglican Church of Canada welcomes all Christians who have been baptised in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit to come forward to the altar to receive the Blessed Sacrament. If you wish to receive only a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest while at the altar. Please let a sidesperson know if you require assistance. The Sacrament can be brought to you in your pew.*

**Communion Hymn #137** (*Greensleeves*)

**Carol** *Torches*, John Joubert (1927-2019)

**Prayer after Communion**

God of all the nations of the earth, guide us with your light. Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us in this eucharist and in our neighbours. May we welcome him with love, for he is Lord now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The Doxology and Blessing** p. 214

**Announcements**

**Final Hymn 118** (verses 1-4 and 5a)

*(Adeste Fideles)*

### **The Dismissal**

*Deacon*            Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*                 **Thanks be to God.**



## **Parish News and Announcements**

### **Advent and Christmas – Thank you**

We are blessed by so much and by so many people in our parish at this time of year. Thank you to our Advent preachers, Canon Alyson and Dr Mangina, who helped prepare our hearts and souls for Christmas; to Jack and the choir and our guest musicians, and Lynn and the servers, who helped lead us in worship and praise; Roberta and the altar guild for their care and decoration of the sanctuary; the Scout troop for the Christmas trees; Jay and his crew for the heartwarming parish dinner on Christmas Day; to Glen for his care for our property and the manger in the garden which marked our daily journey to Bethlehem; to the greeters and sidespeople for the warm welcome they gave to our visitors; to Margaret and Finn for their help in the office; our sexton, Bernard who kept things tidy and took on many special tasks; our youth associate, Finn, who organized the pageant and ministered to our young families; to Judith and our outreach committee who kept our neighbours' needs at the forefront; to Kathy and the Mission group who welcomed the neighbourhood with caroling in the garden; and to so many others unnamed who give of their time, talent, and treasure to serve Christ in this parish. Thank you.

### **Boiler Campaign – Heat it Forward!**

“Heat it Forward!” is the new name of our fundraising campaign to restore funds borrowed from our Memorial Endowment Fund to

pay for the new church boiler. More information about the campaign is coming this month. In the meantime, however, donations can be made to the fund by placing a cheque or cash in the offering plate, or via e-transfer to the parish. Please indicate that your offering is for “Heat it Forward”.

### **St. Martin’s 2025 Calendars**

Our annual calendars are still for sale. Filled with beautiful pictures from around the parish and garden, they make a wonderful gift. Price is \$15 each, or 2 for \$25 and will be available at coffee hour after the 11 a.m. service or by contacting the parish office.

### **2025 Offering Envelopes**

The coming year’s monthly offering envelopes have been printed and are available at the back of the church. If there isn’t a set for you in the box at the back and would like a set, please contact Piers Hemmingsen at [piers@hemmingsen.com](mailto:piers@hemmingsen.com).

### **Office Administrator Update**

Our office administrator, Andrea, stepped down at the end of December. We thank her for her many contributions to the parish over the past three years while she was in this position. Later this month we will hold a gathering to formally thank her. The job posting is now available on the St Martin’s website. Please spread word and speak with Father Hatt or the wardens if you have questions about the position. During the interim, our youth pastoral associate, Finn, will be in the office on Wednesdays to assist with the administrative work of the parish. You can contact Finn at [finn.st.martins@gmail.com](mailto:finn.st.martins@gmail.com). A special thank you to Margaret Allen for her assistance in the office over the past few weeks.

### **2025 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 2025.





## **This Week at St Martin's**

*Sunday, January 5*

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (sung)

*Monday, January 6*

7:30 p.m. Outreach Committee (Guild Room)

*Tuesday, January 7*

10 a.m. Eucharist (in the Chapel)

*Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>*

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Pickleball (Hall)



# The Journey of the Magi

by T.S. Eliot

THE EPIPHANY.

A cold coming we had of it,  
Just the worst time of the year  
For a journey, and such a long journey:  
The ways deep and the weather sharp,  
The very dead of winter.  
And the camels galled, sore-footed, refractory,  
Lying down in the melting snow.  
There were times when we regretted  
The summer palaces on slopes, the terraces,  
And the silken girls bringing sherbet.  
Then the camel men cursing and grumbling  
And running away, and wanting their liquor and women,  
And the night-fires going out, and the lack of shelters,  
And the cities dirty and the towns unfriendly  
And the villages dirty and charging high prices:  
A hard time we had of it.  
At the end we preferred to travel all night,  
Sleeping in snatches,  
With the voices singing in our ears, saying  
That this was all folly.

Then at dawn we came down to a temperate valley,  
Wet, below the snow line, smelling of vegetation;  
With a running stream and a water mill beating the darkness,  
And three trees on the low sky,  
And an old white horse galloped away in the meadow.  
Then we came to a tavern with vine-leaves over the lintel,  
Six hands at an open door dicing for pieces of silver,  
And feet kicking the empty wineskins.  
But there was no information, and so we continued

And arrived at evening, not a moment too soon  
Finding the place; it was (you may say) satisfactory.

All this was a long time ago, I remember,  
And I would do it again, but set down  
This set down  
This: were we led all that way for  
Birth or Death? There was a Birth, certainly,  
We had evidence and no doubt. I had seen birth and death,  
But had thought they were different; this Birth was  
Hard and bitter agony for us, like Death, our death.  
We returned to our places, these Kingdoms,  
But no longer at ease here, in the old dispensation,  
With an alien people clutching their gods.  
I should be glad of another death.

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## Clergy

The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt	<i>Incumbent</i> <a href="mailto:priest@stmartininthefields.ca">priest@stmartininthefields.ca</a>
The Rev'd Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan	<i>Honorary Assistant</i>
The Rev'd Canon Harold Nahabedian	<i>Honorary Assistant</i>
The Rev'd Canon David Luxton	<i>Honorary Assistant</i>

## Parish Officers and Staff

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Bernard Sanders	<i>Sexton</i>

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## Weekly Worship Schedule

<i>Sundays</i>	8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said) 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)
<i>Tuesdays</i>	10 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)
<i>Feast days and special services as announced.</i>	