



Church of Saint Martin-in-the-Fields

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Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

February 16, 2025

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

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

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

Celebrant & Preacher: *The Rev'd Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan,
Honorary Assistant*

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) attend worship until after the reading of Gospel lesson for the day after which they head downstairs for their lessons, returning 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](mailto:cw-stmartininthefields@toronto.anglican.ca)

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www.stmartininthefields.ca/donate for more information.

We are grateful for all contributions towards our ongoing ministry.



Introit Hymn #439

(Franconia)

The Gathering of the Community

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Glory to God

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The Collect

Almighty and everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ healed the sick and restored them to wholeness of life, look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your power make whole all peoples and nations; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

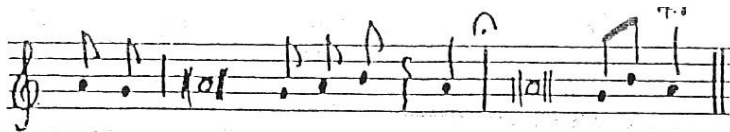
Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**



Psalm 1

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of
the wicked,*
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord,*
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;*
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked;*
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when
judgement comes,*
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,*
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have

perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. *Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia, Alleluia Alleluia.*

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 Luke.

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

Luke 6:17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your

Confession, Absolution and the Peace

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Offertory Hymn #375

(King's Weston)

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God
in memory of Franklyn St. Bernard by his wife Esme.*

Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God, you are the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers, receive all we offer you this day; turn our sickness into health and our sorrow into joy. We ask this 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 #2
and the Communion**

pp. 211-112

Priest We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

People **We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread**

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 #775

(Russian Chant)

Prayer after Communion

God of tender care, in this eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. May we show your love in our lives and know its fulfilment in your presence. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing Hymn: 420

(Rex Gloriae)

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

What's happening in our church school?

This week the church school children are learning about the blessings and woes in today's gospel reading. Before returning to the service for the Eucharist the church school closes their time together in prayer, at the same time that the prayers of the people are happening in the service.

What's happening in our youth group?

This week the Youth Group is meeting after church for a time of food and fellowship. Bishop Victoria will be joining the Youth Group to lead a session on prayer.

Church School & Youth Prayers

The prayer requests shared by the children and youth on Sundays are included in the Prayers of the People at the Tuesday Eucharist every week.

Parish News and Announcements

Funeral for Andrea Zinn

The funeral Requiem for Andrea Zinn will be held on Saturday, February 22nd at 2 p.m. at St Martin's. A reception will follow in the church hall. The interment of her remains will take place at a later date. *Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon her. Amen*

Upcoming Services for Ash Wednesday, March 5th

10 a.m. Said Eucharist with Ashing

7:30 p.m. Sung Eucharist with Ashing

In need of old Palm Crosses!

If you have Palm Crosses at home, please bring them to church on the next two Sundays and give them to Finn. Our youth will be burning them after church on Sunday, March 2nd to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.

Annual Vestry Meeting – Next Sunday

Next Sunday our annual Vestry Meeting takes place after the 11 a.m. service. This is an important opportunity to gather as a parish to give thanks for God's faithfulness to us over the past year and to discern the ways in which we are being called to proclaim the Good News in the year ahead. All members of the parish are welcome to attend. There will be children's activities available during the meeting. Refreshments will be served.

Annual Vestry List

Please check the Vestry List posted on the bulletin boards which has been compiled by the Parochial Tribunal of the names of those able to vote at our annual Vestry meeting on February 23rd. If there is an error or omission, please speak to Patty McKnight

Tim Stephenson

or Fr. Hatt

(priest@stmartininthefields.ca).

Vestry Reports – Available Today

The Annual Vestry Report was sent out to you by email earlier this week. Hard copies are available at the back of the church. Please take the time to read the report prior to the vestry meeting next Sunday.

Tax Receipts for 2024

The Canada Revenue Agency has extended the deadline for making charitable donations for the 2024 tax year to February 28, 2025. The parish will issue tax receipts for the 12-month period ending Dec. 31, 2024, in February as usual. Those receipts are available at the back of the church. A second receipt for donations received in January and February, 2025, will be issued in early March which donors can choose to apply towards their 2024 or a subsequent tax return. If you have any questions please contact Piers

Information Sessions about the Social Justice Vestry Motion

The Outreach Committee with the support of the Christian Education Committee has been holding Wednesday night sessions via Zoom to address the Diocesan Social Justice Vestry Motion, “Protecting and Expanding Harm Reduction in Ontario.” The sessions are held from 8:00 to 9:00 pm and as usual will close with a compline service.

The two previous sessions - general information about Supervised Injection Sites and Harm Reduction - have been informative. Thanks to all the presenters.

This Wednesday, February 19th, Elin Goulden, the Diocesan Social Justice and Advocacy Consultant (and St. Martin’s parishioner) will speak to the motion and also to the importance of having a diocesan-wide response. Please join us.

Steps to Safety

The Health Safety and Security Committee is pleased to host a free "Steps to Safety" presentation by Toronto Fire Services on March 2, 2025 after coffee hour in the Guild Room. A light lunch will be served. The seminar on safety in the home is primarily for older adults. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

Heat it Forward

Heat It Forward is pleased to report that we raised \$1,225.00 for our Memorial Fund at the pub lunch launch of the campaign on January 26. It was a wonderful event and thank you for your support.

In the coming weeks volunteers will be calling all members of the parish on behalf of Heat It Forward. Please expect this call. Your response and feedback is important to us. Thank you to those who have donated and pledged to date as we continue to Heat It Forward.

*Please submit announcements for the Sunday bulletin to the parish office
by Wednesday at 10 a.m.*

This Week at St Martin's

Sunday, February 16

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

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

12:30 p.m. Youth Group (Guild Room)

Monday, February 17

4:00 to 6:30 p.m. Romero House After School Program (Hall)

Tuesday, February 18

10 a.m. Eucharist (Chapel)

6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Beavers (Hall)

Wednesday, February 19

6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Cubs (Hall)

8:00 to 9:00 p.m. Christian Education (Zoom)

Thursday, February 20

Pickleball (Hall):

1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

8:00 to 9:30 p.m.

8:00 p.m. Choir Practice (Church)

Friday, February 21

7:30 p.m. Naturally High Park (Hall)

Saturday, February 22

10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Healey Willan Singers (Church)

2:00 p.m. Requiem for Andrea Zinn

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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)

Feast days and special services as announced.