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First Sunday in Lent

March 9, 2025

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

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

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

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 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.

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We are grateful for all contributions towards our ongoing ministry.



The Great Litany

Priest: God the Father, creator of heaven and earth,

People: Have mercy on us.

Priest: God the Son, redeemer of the world,

People: Have mercy on us.

Priest: God the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide,

People: Have mercy on us.

Priest: Lord, remember not our offences, nor the offences of our forebears; spare us, good Lord, spare your people whom you have redeemed with your precious blood.

People: Spare us, good Lord.

Priest: From all spiritual blindness, from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy, from envy, hatred and malice, and from all want of charity,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Priest: From all deadly sin, and from the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Priest: From earthquake and tempest; from drought, fire, and flood, from civil strife and violence, from war and murder, and from dying suddenly and unprepared,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Priest: By the mystery of your holy incarnation, by your baptism, fasting, and temptation, and by your proclamation of the kingdom,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Priest: By your agony and bitter grief, by your cross and passion, by your precious death and burial, by your glorious resurrection and ascension, and by the coming of your Holy Spirit,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Priest: In our times of trouble, in our times of prosperity, in the hour of death, and on the day of judgement,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Priest: Receive now our prayers, Lord God. May it please you to rule and govern your holy Church universal and lead it in your way,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Grant wisdom and justice to those who govern us, and to judges and magistrates the grace to execute justice with mercy,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Enlighten all bishops, priests, and deacons with true knowledge and understanding of your word, that in their preaching and living they may declare it clearly and show its truth,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Bless and keep your people, that all may find and follow their true vocation and ministry, remembering especially this week in our Parish Prayer Cycle.....

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Give us a heart to love and reverence you, that we may diligently live according to your commandments,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Strengthen those who stand firm in the faith, encourage the faint-hearted, raise up those who fall, and finally beat down Satan under our feet,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: To all nations grant unity, peace, and concord, and to all people give dignity, food, and shelter,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Grant us abundant harvests, strength and skill to conserve the resources of the earth, and wisdom to use them well,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Enlighten with your Spirit all who teach and all who learn,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Come to the help of all who are in danger, necessity, and trouble; protect all who travel by land, air, or water, and show your pity on all prisoners and captives,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Strengthen and preserve all women who are in childbirth, and all young children, and comfort the aged and lonely,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Defend and provide for the widowed and the orphaned, the refugees and the homeless, the unemployed, and all who are desolate and oppressed,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Heal those who are sick in body or mind especially and give skill and compassion to all who care for them,

People: Hear us, good Lord.

Priest: Son of God, we ask you to hear us,

People: Son of God, we ask you to hear us.

Priest: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

People: Grant us your peace.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

The Collect

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; 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

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord

brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**



Psalm 91.1-2, 9-16

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High,*
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 He shall say to the Lord,
"You are my refuge and my stronghold,*
my God in whom I put my trust."
- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge,*
and the Most High your habitation.
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you,*
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you,*
to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands,*
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder;*
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent
under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him;*
I will protect him, because he knows my name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;*
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring him to honour.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him,*
and show him my salvation.

The Epistle

Romans 10:8b-13

But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame."

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory. *We shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of eternal glory.**

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 4. 1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you

Offertory Hymn #628

(Puer Nobis Nascitur)

Prayer over the Gifts

God, our refuge and our strength, receive all that we offer you this day, and through the death and resurrection of your Son transform us to his likeness. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving *(Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 3)*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is indeed right to thank you and praise you, holy and gracious God, creator of all things, ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life, for you are the source of all goodness, rich in mercy and abounding in love; you are faithful to your people in every generation, and your word endures for ever.

Therefore with angels and archangels, with the fellowship of saints and the company of heaven, we glorify your holy name, evermore praising you and singing,

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant We praise you, merciful Father, not as we ought, but as we are able, because in your tender love you gave the world your only Son, in order that the world might be saved through him.

He made you known by taking the form of a servant, healing the sick, liberating the oppressed, reaching out to the lost.

Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross, he confronted the power of sin and disarmed it for ever. In his offering of himself, he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Redeemed by Christ, we have been adopted as your children; by your pardon you have made us worthy to praise you. On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

In obedience to him and with grateful hearts we approach your holy table, remembering our Saviour's sacrifice, and rejoicing in his victory. Confident in his sovereign purpose, we declare our faith.

All **Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant Send your Holy Spirit on us that as we receive this bread and this cup we may partake of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

May we be renewed in his risen life, filled with love, and strengthened in our will to serve others; and make of our lives, we pray, a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you, knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer, the Breaking of the Bread #7 and the Communion

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Priest We break this bread,
People **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**
Priest Let your Church be the wheat which bears
its fruit in dying.
People **If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if
we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

The Anglican Church of Canada welcomes all Christians who have been baptized 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 #172

(Bourbon)

Prayer after Communion

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The Doxology and Blessing

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Announcements

Closing Hymn #170

(*Erhalt Uns, Herr*)

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Parish News and Announcements

Christian Education this Lent: The Book of Acts

The Book of Acts tells the story of Jesus' followers after his Ascension into heaven and is often read by Christians during the Easter Season. It tells us about the struggles they encountered in witnessing to the Gospel, which continue to be poignant. Join us on Wednesday evenings at 8 p.m. online via Zoom as we read through

the Book of Acts together as a parish. The sessions begin this Wednesday, March 12th and will be led by Fr Hatt and a few parishioners. Contact the parish office to be put on the email list to receive the link to the Zoom session.

Rector Away Next Week

Father Hatt will be away on spiritual retreat from Monday, March 17th until Wednesday, March 26th. Thank you to Bishop Victoria Matthews who will be leading services and on-call for any pastoral emergencies during this time. Please keep Fr Hatt in your prayers, that his retreat might be a time of spiritual renewal for him.

New Office Administrator

This week we welcomed our new office administrator, Rebecca Eacho. You can contact Rebecca regarding parish matters at office@stmartininthefields.ca or 416-767-7491 or during her regular office hours: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Welcome, Rebecca!

The Trinity Bach Project Concert

The Trinity Bach Project presents “Transformative performances of Bach and his peers unveiling sacred music for ordinary audiences” on Saturday, March 15th at 8 p.m. at St. Martin in the Fields. The choir and chamber orchestra will be performing Cantatas 196 and 106. Tickets are \$30/\$20/\$10 online and at the door. To learn more about the Trinity Bach Project, visit www.trinitybachproject.org

Furnace Fundraising Is Back

On Sunday, March 16th, we will hold our next Soup Sunday to raise funds for **Heat it Forward**. We will be offering Mulligatawny soup with Cornbread muffins - available for take-out after the 8:30 service and for eat in or take-out after the 11:00 service – for \$15.00 per person. Bring your appetite – and enjoy as you help to reduce our debt.

This offering is being sponsored by Fr Hatt. We sincerely thank him for this sponsorship.

Voices Chamber Choir Concert

The Voices Chamber Choir presents “Light Eternal” on Saturday, March 22nd at 8 p.m. at St. Martin in the Fields. Conducted by Ron Cheung with accompanist Conrad Gold, the night will feature a performance of *Lux Aeterna* (Lauridsen) and *Requiem* (Cherubini). Tickets are \$25 (adults), \$20 (students/seniors). Tickets are available at the door (cash only).

To order ticket(s) in advance please email:
voiceschamberchoir@yahoo.ca

Alongside Hope Corner (formerly PWRDF)

This Lent, Alongside Hope invites us to explore the intersections of faith and international development. Weaving scripture, reflection and prayer together with the UN Sustainable Development Goals and Anglican Marks of Mission, the Rev. Jonathan Rowe of the Diocese of Newfoundland and Labrador presents a rich tapestry. Titled “Living into God’s Dream” the resource also offers the reader the opportunity to reflect on questions both personal and corporate and to learn more about Alongside Hope’s partners.

Subscribe to receive a daily message in your inbox, including a Bible reading, a reflection, and a prayer. On Saturdays during Lent, you will receive an Alongside Hope story that relates to the theme of the week to come. Your introductory email will arrive March 4th, the day before Ash Wednesday. Email info@alongsidehope.org to register.

Have Your Say! Participate in Diocesan-Wide Planning Feasibility Study

Twenty Calls to Action emerged from Cast the Net, a visioning process that heard from more than a thousand clergy and lay

leaders. Responding to these calls will look different in every parish, and will require resources and financial supports.

Together, we are embarking on a diocesan-wide Planning Feasibility Study to prayerfully discern our collective readiness for a potential fundraising campaign that will serve and strengthen our parish and our broader diocesan community. Whether you are a member of clergy, laity, church leadership, or taking your first steps in your walk with Christ, you are invited to give candid feedback on a Preliminary Case for Support that puts parishes first by reflecting our unique needs and shared aspirations.

Learn more and have your say by joining an open forum:
www.toronto.anglican.ca/about-us/cast-the-net/diocesan-wide-planning-feasibility-study

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

This Week at St Martin's

Sunday, March 9

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

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

Monday, March 10

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

7:30 p.m. Parish Council (Guild Room)

Tuesday, March 11

10 a.m. Eucharist (Chapel)

Wednesday, March 12

8 p.m. Christian Education (online)

Thursday, March 13

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, March 14

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

Saturday, March 15

8:00 p.m. Trinity Bach Project Concert (Church)

What's happening in our Church School?

This week the church school children are learning and talking about Lenten Practices. 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?

Last week the Youth Group gathered for lunch and fellowship. They learned about and discussed what Lent means to them and also learned more about Lenten Practices.

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.

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The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt	<i>Incumbent</i> priest@stmartininthefields.ca
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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.