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Second Sunday in Lent

March 16, 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.

E-transfers can be sent to [cw-stmartininthefields](https://www.cw-stmartininthefields.com)

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www.stmartininthefields.ca/donate for more information.

We are grateful for all contributions towards our ongoing ministry.



Introit Hymn #347

(Leoni)

The Gathering of the Community

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Kyrie/Trisagion

Sung by the choir

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.**

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

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 offspring, 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."

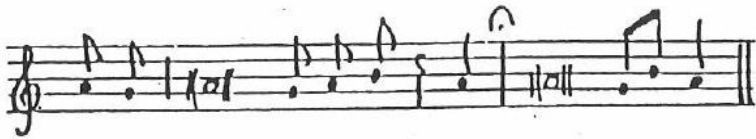
He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

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..."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**



Psalm 27.10-18

- 10 Hēarkēn to my voice, O Lord, w^hen I call; *
have mercy on me and ānsw^rer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "S^eek my face." *
Your face, Lord, will I s^eek.
- 12 Hide not your f^ace from me, *
nor turn away your servant in disp^lea^sure.
- 13 You have b^een my help^r; *
cast me n^ot away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salv^ation.
- 14 Though my father and my moth^r forsake me, *
the Lord will sustain me.
- 15 Show me your w^ay, O Lord; *
lead me on a level path, because of my eⁿemies.
- 16 Deliver me not into the hand of my ad^versaries, *
for false witnesses have risen up against me,
and also those who speak m^alice.
- 17 What if I had not believed
that I should see the goodⁿess of the Lord *
in the land of the living!
- 18 O tarry and await the Lord's ple^as^ure; *
be strong, and he shall c^omfort your heart; *
wait patiently for the Lord.

The Epistle

Philippians 3:17-4:1

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 Savior, 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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.**

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 13:32-35

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 away from 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.'"

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, *Incumbent*

The Nicene Creed p. 188

Parish Prayer Cycle

Management Board; Maggie Knight; Tamia King; Judith Kidd;
Jennipher Kerr

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Church of the Province of Central Africa

Diocesan Prayer Cycle

Etobicoke-Humber Deanery

Those who have asked us for prayers

Bob Thornley, David Bradshaw, Edith Paxton,
Erma MacDonald, Mark Oliver, Sean Palin, Mark, Aws, Selwa,
Lubna, Sylvia, Father Harold, Bishop Victoria, Canon Alyson,
Bishop Geoff Woodcroft, Margaret, Raymond, Marian,
Aubrey, Father David Mulholland, John, River,
Gerald Mangina, Leah, Ted, Phil Renouf, Ted R, Huntly Duff,
The Rev'd David Howells, Catherine, Lindsey,
Dennis Freeman

The Faithful Departed

Janet Webster

*Please send the names of loved ones for the prayer list to Fr Hatt at
priest@stmartininthefields.ca*

Offertory Hymn #184

(Love Unknown)

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.**

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 #177

(*Beach Haven*)

Prayer after Communion

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The Doxology and Blessing

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Announcements

Closing Hymn #511

(*Southwell*)

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

This past Wednesday we began our Lenten Christian Education series, reading through the Book of Acts, led by Father Hatt and a few St. Martin's parishioners. The Book of Acts tells the story of Jesus' followers in the weeks and first few years after his Ascension into heaven. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, and living in a diverse, multicultural world, they sought ways to witness to the Good News they had encountered in him. We undertake this study to consider how we might strengthen and deepen our witness as a parish to the Good News of Jesus Christ in our own time and place.

Join us on Wednesday evenings at 8 p.m. online via Zoom. On Wednesday, March 19th, we will continue our reading through Acts 6:1-12:25, with a focus on Acts 9:1-20, the Conversion of Saint Paul. Contact the parish office to be put on the email list to receive the link to the Zoom session.

Rector Away

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. You can reach her at office@stmartininthefields.ca or by phone at (416) 767-7491. Please keep Fr Hatt in your prayers, that his retreat might be a time of spiritual renewal for him.

TODAY- Furnace Fundraising Is Back

Today, Sunday, March 16th, we 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 a.m. service and for eat in or take-out after the 11:00 a.m. 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.

Faithworks Campaign 2025

The theme this year is “We are witness to all that he did” (Acts 10:39). On Sunday, March 30th (Lent 4), we will welcome as our guest preacher The Rev’d Leigh Kern who is the Right Relations Coordinator with the Diocese of Toronto. Rev. Kern will be preaching at both 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services.

Following the 11:00 a.m. service we will hold a “Pub Lunch”. After the main course, there will be an Introduction to FaithWorks, a Panel Discussion about some FaithWorks ministries, and a Volunteer Table where you can learn about the various volunteering opportunities available at the organizations we support.

By next week your individual donation packages for Faithworks will be available at the rear of the church. Please be as generous as you can and remember that our parish receives 15% of all donations from our congregation. This money is used to give financial support to Romero House, Bloor West Food Bank, PARC, Feed it Forward, and the Redwood Shelter, among others.

Articles for The Lychgate Newsletter to be published April 6

The deadline for submissions for the Spring issue of The Lychgate is fast approaching. Please send submissions to Ian Greene at office@stmartininthefields.ca by Sunday, March 23rd.

Easter Memorial Flowers

Memorial donations for altar flowers at Easter can be made using the designated envelopes located on the table at the back of the church or via e-transfer. Please email the names of loved ones you would like remembered in the bulletin to office@stmartininthefields.ca

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

Lift Up Your Hearts Diocesan Worship Service

As part of the Diocesan Season of Spiritual Renewal, Anglicans from across the diocese are gathering together at five distinct Eucharistic services over the course of the year. Each service will include wonderful music, inspirational preaching, a joyful lay witness talk, and the opportunity for prayer and anointing, followed by a reception that will offer delicious food and plenty of time to reconnect with friends from other parishes.

The next gathering will be held at St. James' Cathedral on Saturday, March 22nd at 2 p.m. The preacher for the service will be The Rev'd Molly Finlay. Members of St. Martin's who are interested in attending can meet Jenny Formanek at the War Memorial in front of the Cathedral at 1:40 p.m. so that we can sit together and represent St. Martin-in-the-Fields together.

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.*

What's happening in our Church School?

This week, the church school children will be learning about today's gospel story. 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?

The youth group will gather after the service today for lunch and fellowship. They will discuss what Lent means to them and also learn 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.

This Week at St Martin's

Sunday, March 16

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

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

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

Monday, March 17

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

7:30 p.m. Management Board (Guild Room)

Tuesday, March 18

10 a.m. Eucharist (Chapel)

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

Wednesday, March 19

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

8 p.m. Christian Education (online)

Thursday, March 20

Pickleball (Parish 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 21

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

Saturday, March 22

8:00 p.m. Voices Chamber Choir Concert (Church)

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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.