

Church of Saint Martin-in-the-Fields

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Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025

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

Celebrant: The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, Incumbent

Preacher: The Rt Rev'd Victoria Matthews, Honorary Assistant

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

Celebrant: The Rev'd Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan, Honorary Assistant Preacher: The Rt Rev'd Victoria Matthews, 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 the reading of the Gospel lesson for the day after which they head downstairs for their lessons, returning to the church during the Offertory Hymn, in time for Communion. New children are always welcome.



Financial offerings can be placed on the collection plate. E-transfers can be sent to cw-stmartininthefields
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Introit Hymn

(Deus Tuorum Militum)

 That Easter-tide with joy was bright. the sun shone out with fairer light, when, to their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord.

- He bade them see his hands, his side, where yet the glorious wounds abide; the tokens true which made it plain their Lord indeed was risen again.
- 3. Jesu, the King of gentleness, do thou thyself our hearts possess, that we may give thee all our days the tribute of our grateful praise.
- Lord of all, with us abide
 in this our joyful Easter-tide;
 from every weapon death can wield
 thine own redeemed for ever shield.

The Gathering of the Community

p. 185

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant May his grace and peace be with you.

People May he fill our hearts with joy.

Glory to God

p. 186 (Rutter)

The Collect

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

New Testament Reading

Acts 5:27-32

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this

man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Reader **People**

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



- 1 Hallelujah!
 Praise God in his holy temple; *
 praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts; * praise him for his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; * praise him with lyre and harp.
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; * praise him with strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; * praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath * praise the Lord.
 Hallelujah!

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The EpistleRevelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Have you believed Thomas, because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe. **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 John.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to

them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

John 20:19-30

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon The Rt Rev'd Victoria Matthews, Honorary Assistant

The Nicene Creed p. 188 (*Merbecke*)

Priest

In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, saying, "Hear us, Lord of glory!"

Parish Prayer Cycle
FaithWorks campaign; Brian, Brahma, & Kerala Hagood;
Vicki Cooper & Jay Haddad;
Eilonwy Morgan & Ian Greene; Lawrose Grant

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

Diocesan Prayer Cycle

Durham & Northumberland 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 Carlisle,
Raymond Dunning, Marian MacDonald,
Father David Mulholland, John Martin, River, Leanna,
Gerald Mangina, Leah, Ted, Phil Renouf, Ted R, Huntly Duff,
The Rev'd David Howells, Catharine, Lindsey,
Dennis Freeman, Annie Muravsky, Carl Seeley,
Festim Kananaj, Angus, Janet, Judie

The Faithful Departed
Aubrey Millard, Mary-Elaine Morrison, Lloyd Webster

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

Confession, Absolution and the Peace

pp. 191-192

Offertory Hymn #228

(O Filii et Filiae)

Prayer over the Gifts

God of grace, you have freed us from our sins and made us a kingdom in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in the new life you have given us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 3, pp. 198-200

The Lord's Prayer, the Breaking of the Bread #8 and the Communion

pp. 211-213

Priest Lord, we died with you on the cross.People Now we are raised to new life.Priest We were buried in your tomb.

People Now we shared in your resurrection.Priest Live in us, that we may live in you.

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 #232

(Childer)

Prayer after Communion

Father, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Doxology & Blessing

p. 214

Announcements

Closing Hymn #217 omit vv. 2&3

(Würtemburg)

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace Christ, Alleluia! Alleluia!

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Parish News and Announcements

TODAY- Heat it Forward Fundraiser: Soup Sunday

Today following the 11:00 a.m. service, we will host Soup Sunday downstairs in the Parish Hall to raise funds for HEAT IT FORWARD, our campaign to restore monies borrowed from the parish endowment fund to pay for our new boiler. We will be offering French Onion Soup with Crostini - 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 Ingrid Whitaker. We sincerely thank her for this sponsorship.

Blessing of the Bicycles on May 10

It is time once again to begin welcoming our neighbours and friends into our wonderful garden space! We will be extending an invitation to the community to come to Blessing of Bicycles on Saturday, May 10 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Bring your own bicycle for a safety check, reinforce rules of the road, get tires filled, enjoy a hot dog – and, of course, receive a blessing. Come help the Missional team to welcome our neighbours. If you could volunteer with this event, please contact Glen Storey or Alex Tinius. Please note that we welcome any and all 2-wheeled vehicles for this event. Thank you.

Gardening at St. Martin's

The Garden team meets Mondays from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. each week through to the end of June and then again in September and October. New volunteers are always needed and welcome. If you're new to gardening, we're happy to provide instruction and lend you tools. For more information, speak to Patty McKnight or Ingrid Whitaker.

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

What's happening in our Church School?

During Eastertide, the church school will be learning about the post-resurrection appearances of Christ. This week, they will learn about Jesus' appearance to the disciples in the locked room and later when he appeared to them and spoke to Thomas. 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.

Church School Offering

Throughout Lent, the church school children practiced almsgiving through taking an offering in Church School every week. Over the six weeks of Lent, the Church School raised over \$120. Last week, the children decided as a group where they wanted to donate the money; half of it will go to the Bloor West Food Bank, and the other half will go to Romero House. Thank you to all the children and families who so generously contributed to this offering.

Church School Prayers

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

This Week at St Martin's

Sunday, April 27, Second Sunday of Easter 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said) 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

Monday, April 28

4:00 to 6:30 p.m. Romero House After School Programme (Hall) 7:30 p.m. Joint Parish Council and Management Board Meeting (Guild Room)

Tuesday, April 29

10:00 a.m. Eucharist for the Feast of St. Mark (trans.) (Chapel) 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Beavers (Parish Hall)

Wednesday, April 30 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Cubs (Parish Hall)

Thursday, May 1

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, May 2

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

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Weekly Worship Schedule

Sundays 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said) 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

Tuesdays 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said) Feast days and special services as announced.