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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 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 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](https://www.cw-stmartininthefields.ca)

[@toronto.anglican.ca](https://www.toronto.anglican.ca). Use the QR Code or visit

www.stmartininthefields.ca/donate for more information.

We are grateful for all contributions towards our ongoing ministry.



Introit Hymn #205

(*Ellacombe*)

The Gathering of the Community

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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

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The Collect

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven.

At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift

that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 148

(Tone 8.3)



1. Hallelujah!
Praise the Lord from the heavens; *
—praise him in the heights.
2. Praise him, all you angels of his; *
—praise him, all his host.
3. Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.
4. Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
and you waters above the heavens.
5. Let them praise the Name of the Lord; *
for he commanded, and they were created.
6. He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
7. Praise the Lord from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
8. Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
9. Mountains and all hills, *

- fruit trees and all cedars;
10. Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and winged birds;
11. Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
12. Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.
13. Let them praise the Name of the Lord, *
for his Name only is exalted,
his splendour is over earth and heaven.
14. He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hallelujah!

The Lesson

Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.”

And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I

will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life..."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you.* **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 he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:31-35

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon

The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, *Incumbent*

The Nicene Creed

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Parish Prayer Cycle

Pickleball group; Deyanira Flint; Dianna Fleming;
David & Lisa Fleming; Don Fenton & Mary Fisher

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

Diocesan Prayer Cycle

Scarborough 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,
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 McKnight,
Barb, Lindsey, Dennis Freeman, Annie Muravsky, Carl Seeley,
Festim Kananaj, Angus, Janet, Judie, Jane Rozdzilski,
Hazel Bentley

The Faithful Departed

Elizabeth Longmore

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

Offertory Hymn #214

(St. Venantius)

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and
in thanksgiving for the life of Esther A.E. and the Rev'd Francis G.
Gentry by Jonathan Gentry.*

Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life.
May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer #3, pp. 198-200

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

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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 share 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 #222

(Song 46)

Prayer after Communion

God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing Hymn #278

(*Ewing*)

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Parish News and Announcements

Walking of the Bounds

The walking of the bounds has been postponed. We hope to be able to reschedule it within the next few weeks and will share information as it becomes available.

Geraniums Sale: Petals for Clean Water

We are selling geraniums over the next 2 Sundays for both the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services on May 18th and May 25th. They are \$8 each, cash sales only.

The flowers will be donated to St. Martin's garden while funds from the sale will be used to support projects in securing clean, running water in Indigenous communities. This effort invests in building trust and relationship with the people and leaders of Mishamikoweesh, one of the Dioceses in the Anglican Church of Canada, and the first Indigenous Diocese consisting of native communities in Northern Ontario and Northern Manitoba.

2025 Flower Chart

With spring's arrival we are looking for more parishioners who would like to sponsor flowers for the altar during our Sunday services. We

encourage people to sign up on the Flower chart posted in the narthex to participate in this offering. Thank you.

Coffee Hour Moves Outdoors Next Week

Please join us for coffee hour outside beginning on Sunday, May 25th, weather permitting. Thanks to our Coffee Cohorts, Garden Group, Health & Safety committee, Sexton and all those who make it possible for us to enjoy fellowship outdoors.

Neighbourhood Fun Fair on June 7

Time is fast approaching for our annual Neighbourhood Fun Fair – a very popular event that St. Martin's offers to our local community free of charge. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, June 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come with your family to welcome other community members into our space. Also, we need your help to make this event a success! Contact Kathie Wagg or Glen Storey in person at Coffee Hour or by email to volunteer for part or all of this event. The Missional Team definitely needs you! Help us 'to serve as Christ's hands and feet, and heart and mind' in our community.

Articles for The Lychgate Newsletter to be published on June 8

The deadline for submissions for the Summer issue of The Lychgate is next Sunday, May 25th. Please send submissions to Ian Greene.

Voices Chamber Choir Presents *From Psalms to Songs* on May 31

Voices Chamber Choir presents their 28th season finale with a concert titled *From Psalms to Songs*, a 500 years journey of sacred and secular music for choir. Music from Palestrina to Parry to Billy Joel and many more, including "Hymn to Freedom" by Oscar Peterson, and the premiere of "Be at Peace" by Canadian composer Drew Aarssen from Wallaceburg, Ontario. Saturday, May 31st, 8:00 p.m. Tickets available at the door (cash only): \$25 adults, \$20 students/seniors. Free for children 12 and under.

Second Annual Deanery Evensong

Anyone who lives, works or worships in the Parkdale-Toronto West Deanery of the Diocese of Toronto is invited to St. Olave's, Swansea, 360 Windermere Avenue, for a Deanery-wide Choral Evensong on Sunday, June 1st, at 5:00 p.m. The Deanery includes the parishes, ministries and schools between the Humber River and University Avenue, and between Lake Ontario and Eglinton Avenue. Our guest preacher will be the Very Rev'd Dr. Stephen Hance, Dean of Toronto. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

*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 continue learning about Christ's post-resurrection appearances. Before returning to the service for the Eucharist, the church school will close its time together in prayer at the same time that the Prayers of the People are happening in the service.

Church School Prayers

The prayer requests the children share on Sundays are included in the Prayers of the People at the weekly Tuesday Eucharist.

This Week at St. Martin's

Sunday, May 18, Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

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

Monday, May 19

(Victoria Day)

Tuesday, May 20

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Easter Feria) (Chapel)

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

Wednesday, May 21

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

Thursday, May 22

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 23

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

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The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt	<i>Incumbent</i> priest@stmartininthefields.ca
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>
The Rev'd James Decker	<i>Honorary Assistant</i>
The Rt Rev'd Victoria Matthews	<i>Honorary Assistant</i>

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Bernard Sanders	<i>Sexton</i>

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.