

ST. OLAVE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
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Announcements for February 10, 2019

TODAY AT ST. OLAVE'S

COFFEE HOUR: Visitors and parishioners, please join us downstairs after the 10:30 a.m. service for fellowship and light refreshments. Thank you to the Douglas and Shapland families for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

ACCESSION CHORAL EVENSONG AND THE MUSIC OF HANDEL:

Clement Carelse has announced the music details for the Choral Evensong taking place today at **4 p.m.**, in which he will direct the **Schola Ecclesiam** choir. They will be accompanied by our own music director, **John Stephenson**, at the organ. The service will include: *Zadok the Priest* by George Frederick Handel (1685-1759); *O Taste and See* by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958); the *Evensong Responses* by William Smith of Durham (1603-45); and the *Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis* by Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924). Then stay after the service for our **Royal Festive Tea**, with an illustrated music feature to mark the Queen's accession 67 years ago in 1952. Clement will examine Handel's life and works, focusing on his music for Royal occasions, including works in today's service. So please join us today at four o'clock for **Choral Evensong** and the **Music of Handel**.

THIS WEEK AT ST. OLAVE'S

CHAIR YOGA WITH DARLENE HEWITT: For people of all ages with various levels of physical limitations. Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Ethel Brown Room. Duration: 1 hour. Cost: \$10 per class; 1 month trial \$30; 12 week package \$90. For more information, please see hand-out on the table in the Narthex.

ANNUAL VESTRY REPORTS due no later than Tuesday February 12.

ADVISORY BOARD MEETING: Tuesday February 12 at 7:30 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY: "Beginnings and Endings" Wednesday February 13 at 10:00 a.m. We will be reading Genesis 11 and 12. All welcome!

SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday February 12	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
Wednesday February 13	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 11:15 a.m. Holy Communion
Thursday February 14	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (<i>Valentine, Bishop and Martyr</i>)
Friday February 15	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

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Sunday February 17

8:30a.m. Holy Communion
10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
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(*The Sunday called Septuagesima*)

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

DUE DATE FOR ANNUAL VESTRY REPORTS: The deadline for submitting vestry reports will be **Tuesday February 12**. The Annual Vestry Report will be available for pick up on Sunday February 17. The Annual Vestry Meeting will be held on **Sunday February 24** following 10:30 a.m. service.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR: Parishioners are encouraged to donate altar flowers **throughout the year**. It can be a meaningful way to remember someone who has died or to give thanks to God for a special anniversary or blessing in your life. A notice will be placed in the bulletin on that day. You may donate funds or purchase flowers yourself. Please contact the office to arrange a date, a minimum of two weeks in advance. Purchased flowers should be dropped off no later than Sunday morning by 9:30 am, or through mutually convenient arrangement. **Flowers would be appreciated for the following Sundays:** February 17 (Septuagesima), February 24 (Sexagesima), and March 3 (Thinking Day).

ACW EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday February 19 at 10:30 a.m.

MARY & MARTHA GROUP: Tuesday February 19 at 2:00 p.m.

YOUTH GROUP: Movie nights – Star Wars series – youth hosted but all ages welcome – beginning at 6:30pm (**Feb 22**, Mar 22, Apr 12, May 10, June 21).

Family games night – youth hosted but all ages welcome – 6:30pm – 9:00pm (Mar 15). **Youth Group Meetings** – following 10:30 a.m. service (**Feb 3, 17**, Mar 17, Apr 7, May 5, 19, Jun 2, 16.)

ANNUAL PANCAKE LUNCHEON – Parish Hall, 12 noon, Sunday March 3 Our date this year falls late in the calendar, but we do suggest that you now mark your calendars and plan to join us for this annual St. Olave's fellowship treat. **The date also coincides with our celebration of Thinking Day** so we will again welcome our Scouting and Guiding units to join us. We will repeat the practice of the past couple of years and NOT sell lunch tickets in advance, merely accepting admissions at the entrances to the hall. Our prices will remain unchanged—Adults \$6, Child \$3, and a Family rate of \$15. We look forward to having you join us for the occasion.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE: Lent begins this year on Wednesday, March 6. There will be a service of Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes at 7:00 p.m. The Rector will be preaching the first sermon in a seven sermon series based on the Seven Last Words of Christ from the Cross (see announcement on next page).

LENTEN SERMON SERIES: The Rector will be preaching a seven-week sermon series throughout Lent. The theme of the series is the Seven Last Words of Christ from the Cross. The four Gospels record seven statements made by Jesus as he hung from the cross. The Rector will preach on each of these "words" throughout Lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 6: "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34); Sunday, March 10 (Lent 1): "Truly, I say to thee, today shalt thou be with me in paradise" (Lk 23:43); Sunday, March 17 (Lent 2): "Woman, behold thy son. Son, behold thy mother John" (19:26–27); Sunday, March 24 (Lent 3): "My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me?" (Matt 27:46 & Mk 15:34); Sunday, March 31 (Lent 4): "I thirst" (John 19:28); Sunday, April 7 (Passion Sunday): "It is finished" (John 19:30); Sunday, April 14 (Palm Sunday): "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit." (Luke 23:46).

LENTEN STUDY 2019: Our Rector will be leading a study throughout Lent called, "The Prayer Book: Your Guide to Daily Living." Starting on Wednesday, March 13, all are invited to come for Evening Prayer at 6:00 p.m., followed by a light supper. The study session will begin around 7:00 p.m. and will conclude shortly after 8:00 p.m. **March 13:** Living Holy Time: Journeying through the BCP's yearly rhythm; **March 20:** Hearing Sacred Stories: Reading the Bible with the BCP as our guide; **March 27:** Praying Hallowed Words: Praying the BCP outside of Church; **April 3:** Cherishing Sanctified Beliefs: Knowing the Anglican Faith preserved in the BCP; **April 10:** Seeking Blessed Lives: Forming a personal Rule of Life as described by the BCP.

THE MITTEN TREE – 2018: As I'm sure you have noticed, our Christmas "Mitten Tree" in the narthex was loaded this year with a grand assortment of beautiful knitting and gifts – 11 pairs of mitts, 1 scarf, 29 hats and toques, 4 hat and mitt sets, 5 pair slippers and booties, 2 child's pullovers, 1 cardigan and hat set, 1 cardigan. This year it was all donated to, and enthusiastically received by Toronto's Downtown Churchworkers' Association which will put it all to very good use with inner city children this winter. The Mitten Tree was a favourite project of my dear wife Bette, and I know she would be overwhelmed by your wonderful support, and I sincerely thank you. Robert Ragsdale.

DO YOU LIKE TO SING? The choir is always welcoming new singers. Previous choir experience and an ability to read music is helpful. We rehearse Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 9:15 and Sunday mornings at 9:30 before the 10:30 service. There are also opportunities to sing at Evensong services! Contact John Stephenson for more information after the service or via stolaves@stolaves.ca.

THANKS TO OUR JANUARY GREETERS: Michael Ball, Craig Douglas, David Pickering, and Jim Shapland. Greeters welcome people when they come to worship at St. Olave's. A friendly face can make a huge impression, especially on a first-time visitor. Besides greeting people when they arrive and handing out bulletins, greeters also take up the collection, assist people down the steps after communion and help the Wardens with the collection count. If you would like to be a greeter please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the clipboard in the Narthex at the Windermere entrance, or contact Janice Douglas at craig.janice@rogers.com for more information.

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