

ST. OLAVE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH  
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## Announcements for February 17, 2019

### TODAY AT ST. OLAVE'S

**ANNUAL VESTRY REPORTS** are available in the Narthex. Please pick up a copy so that you will have an opportunity to read the reports prior to next week's meeting.

**YOUTH GROUP MEETING** following the 10:30 a.m. service.

**COFFEE HOUR:** Visitors and parishioners, please join us downstairs after the 10:30 a.m. service for fellowship and light refreshments. Thank you to Sheila Tait, Margaret Roze, and Joan Shaw for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

### 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.

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

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

**BIBLE STUDY: "Beginnings and Endings"** Wednesday February 20 at 10:00 a.m. We will be reading Genesis 13, 14, and 15. All welcome!

**YOUTH GROUP: Movie nights** – Star Wars series – youth hosted but all ages welcome – Friday February 22 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

**ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING:** Sunday February 24 following the 10:30 a.m. service.

### SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday February 19 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Wednesday February 20 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
11:15 a.m. Holy Communion

Thursday February 21 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

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Friday February 15            8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Sunday February 24            8:30a.m. Holy Communion  
   10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
   *(St. Matthias the Apostle)*

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING:** St. Olave's annual Vestry meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 24**, following the 10:30 a.m. service (approximately at noon). The annual Vestry meeting is a time for the parish to review the past year and make plans for next year. The Wardens will share the financials and present the auditor's report as well as the budget for 2019. This also includes the narrative budget, a document that frames our expenses according to our ministries. We will also elect and appoint key lay leaders, including Wardens. And we will be tabling the Diocesan Social Justice motion. Please pick up a copy of the Vestry Report THIS Sunday and take the time to read through it over the week, then bring any questions you may have to the meeting. There will be snacks at the coffee hour but feel free to bring a bag lunch or additional snacks. Children will be supervised in the Ethel Brown Room to make it easier for parents to attend.

**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 next Sunday:** February 24 (St. Matthias the Apostle).

**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 17**, Mar 17, Apr 7, May 5, 19, Jun 2, 16.)

### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

The annual **World Day of Prayer Service** for 2019 will take place at Runnymede Presbyterian Church located at 680 Annette Street, **on Saturday, March 2nd at 10:00 a.m.** All are welcome to join together in this ecumenical service devoted to prayers for women touched by injustice around the world. As facilitated by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada, the focus in 2019 is on Slovenia. The service will be presented by women from several churches in the community, including St. Olave's. If you are interested in further information, please contact Annis Tebbutt at 416-658-4913 or by email at [annist@rogers.com](mailto:annist@rogers.com).

**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 printed below).

**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.