ST. OLAVE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH Rector: The Rev'd Robert Mitchell

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Announcements for March 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 Jon Ingall and Siobhan Carmichael for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

CHORAL EVENSONG AND MEDIÆVAL SONGS FROM NORTHERN

ITALY. Choral Evensong for the First Sunday in Lent at 4 p.m., followed by light refreshments. At 5 p.m., singer and mediæval fiddler **Katherine Hill** presents devotional *Laude* (praise songs) from 13th and 14th century Florence and Cortona. Katherine Hill first developed a love for old European text and music here in her native Toronto. She moved to the Netherlands in 2000, studying, appearing in concerts, radio broadcasts and at festivals throughout Europe over many years. In 2010, she completed an M.A. in Medieval Studies at the University of Toronto's world-renowned Centre for Medieval Studies and, in 2012, Katherine received a diploma from the Eric Sahlstrom Institute in Sweden. Katherine is the Director of Music at St. Bartholomew's Anglican church in Regent Park, Toronto.

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 or contact Darlene at 416-357-3934.

BIBLE STUDY: "Beginnings and Endings" Wednesday March 13 at 10:00 a.m. We will be reading Revelation 13 and 14. All welcome!

LENTEN STUDY: "The Prayer Book: Your Guide to Daily Living." Wednesday March 13. Evening Prayer at 6:00 p.m. followed by light supper and study session. For more details, please see notice printed on page 3.

YOUTH GROUP: Family games night – Friday March 15 from 6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Youth hosted but all ages welcome.

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HALO STUDY PRESENTATION: On Sunday, March 17, Mike Wood Daly will be presenting the HALO report conducted for St. Olave's. The HALO Project conducts detailed analyses of churches in order to estimate their overall economic impact in the community. We don't often think of ourselves as an economic driver, but churches are, in fact, major economic contributors. A HALO Study was conducted for St. Olave's to demonstrate how our parish contributes to our community, and Mike will be presenting the findings of the report at coffee hour on the 17th. Please join us for this fascinating and informative look at our parish through an economic lens.

SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday March 12 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

(Gregory the Great, Doctor and Bishop)

Wednesday March 13 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

11:15 a.m. Holy Communion 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

See Lenten Study notice printed on next page.

(Lenten Ember Day)

Thursday March 14 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

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

(Lenten Ember Day)

Sunday March 17 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion (Second Sunday in Lent)

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAVE YOU NOTICED? The Wardens are pleased to report the renovations to the Chapel are complete. Our thanks go to Sexton Dave Webb for applying a fresh coat of paint and seeing to the removal of an extra radiator, which made it possible to create some much-needed space around the pews. We also had the carpet removed and refinished the altar floor, added a smaller area rug beneath the altar and had the red velvet drape behind the altar dry-cleaned. Dave moved the altar rail out slightly to create more space around the altar and also installed a kneeler wall for the first pew. These changes will ensure the Chapel continues to be a beautiful and comfortable worship space for years to come.

PARISH BUSINESS EXCHANGE NOW OPEN: A new business card display case has been installed in the Narthex (Windermere entrance) above the table. St. Olave's is pleased to create this opportunity for parishioners and friends to advertise their services.

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. The series began 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.

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 stolayes@stolayes.ca.

YOUTH GROUP: Youth Group Meetings – following 10:30 a.m. service (Mar 17, Apr 7, May 5, 19, Jun 2, 16). Movie nights – Star Wars series – youth hosted but all ages welcome – beginning at 6:30pm (Mar 22, Apr 12, May 10, June 21).

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

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

READER WORKSHOP: MARCH 31: The Worship Committee has asked Sally Armour Wotton to lead a reader's workshop at St. Olave's on Sunday, March 31, following the 10:30am service. Sally teaches storytelling and story writing at Trinity College and has published several books and articles on the performing arts. The training session is for anyone who reads in church, including those who lead prayers and all servers, as well as anyone else who is interested in participating.

EASTER BAGS FOR SENIORS: St. Olave's ACW will be collecting Easter Gift Bags for seniors. For suggestions of what you might put in a bag, please see handout on the table in the Narthex. The bags will be collected on April 7.

ACW TREASURE BOX: This box will be available in the Narthex each Sunday to receive your miscellaneous unwearable jewellery! Precious metal single earrings, broken necklaces, cuff links, and/or brooches plus any other donations of precious metal are welcomed. The box collection will be sold to support St. Olave's ACW ministries both in the parish and beyond. Please help us in this new venture.

THANK YOU FROM THE ACW EXECUTIVE: The executive of St. Olave's ACW would like to thank St. Olave's Parishioners for all their support of our fund raising activities throughout 2018. The activities include: 1. Easter Bags for needy Seniors; 2. Community Lawn Sale; 3. Coffee Hours; 4. November Arts and Crafts Sale; 5. Gift Basket Draws; 6. Christmas Tree Decorations and 7. ACW Cookbooks. Thanks to your support we were able to donate to the Sisters of St. John the Divine; LOFT Ingles House; and LOFT Transitional House. Pay 6 months wages for cleaning the kitchen; Support St. Michael's Youth Conference; Keep our first aid kits up to date and provide other help with Church expenses. All this is very much appreciated. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH! Many Blessings throughout 2019.

THANKS TO OUR FEBRUARY GREETERS: Carol Ambler, Caroline Audet, David Pickering, Rev. Canon Ruth Smith, Tina Sweeney. 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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