

ST. OLAVE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
Rector: The Rev'd Robert Mitchell
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Announcements for November 17, 2019

T O D A Y A T S T . O L A V E ' 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 Grant and Lori Dickson for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: We will be holding confirmation classes each Sunday after church (12:30-1:30 pm) until December 8th. If you or anyone you know would like to be confirmed during Bishop Jenny Andison's next visit to St. Olave's on January 19, 2020, please contact the Assistant Curate, Alexandra Pohlod, at curate@stolaves.ca or by telephone at 416-769-5686 ext. 3

T H I S W E E K A T S T . O L A V E ' S

ADVISORY BOARD REPORTS due Tuesday November 19.
Advisory Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday November 26 at 7:30 p.m.

ACW EXECUTIVE: Tuesday November 19 at 10:30 a.m.

MARY & MARTHA GROUP: Tuesday November 19 at 2:00 p.m.
Debbie Cowling will be giving an encore presentation of "Incredible India".
Everyone welcome.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Wednesdays for Bible Study in the Ethel Brown Room. This fall, we are studying the Minor Prophets of the Old Testament, including Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi. We meet every Wednesday at 10 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel follows at 11:15 am.

THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH IN THE CITY: Evening Prayer on Wednesday November 20 at 6:00 p.m. followed by light supper at 6:30 p.m. and feature talk from 7:00 until 8:00 p.m. The Very Rev'd Douglas Stoute discusses The Future of the Church in the City. As Dean of Toronto, he was responsible for St. James Cathedral for over 21 years until 2016.

PRAYER READING GROUP: Friday November 22 The Assistant Curate, Alexandra, will be leading a monthly reading group with a focus on prayer. The group will meet in the Ethel Brown Room from 6:30 - 8 pm. For more information or to receive emails about the group, please contact Alexandra at curate@stolaves.ca or by telephone at 416-769-5686 ext. 3

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING: Sunday November 24 at 12:00 noon.

SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday November 19	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
Wednesday November 20	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 11:15 a.m. Holy Communion 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer <i>Edmund, King and Martyr</i>
Thursday November 21	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
Friday November 22	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 12:00 noon ORA 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer <i>Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr</i>
Sunday November 24	8:30 a.m. Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer <i>The Sunday Next Before Advent</i>

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. **Sunday December 8 and Sunday December 29.**

NEW CHOIR MEMBER: The choir would like welcome and introduce you to Saige Carlson, our additional soprano lead. Saige is from Oliver, B.C., a small town in the Okanagan Valley. After growing up in a home-school environment, she chose to study music at the University of Toronto and is now working on her Masters degree. She has sung in several church choirs before making St. Olave's her church home. She also performs in UofT Opera and will be singing the role of La Contessa in Mozart's *The Marriage of Figaro* November 21-24 (see her for tickets!).

GUEST SPEAKER, DECEMBER 1: The Second Century Mission Fund of St. Olave's (including Jean Lilley (chair), Bob Ragsdale, Leslie Stafford, Siobhan Carmichael, John Drake, Rev'd Alexandra and Rev'd Rob), are delighted to be welcoming a guest speaker on Sunday, December 1st, to tell our congregation about the work of AURA. The Anglican United Refugee Alliance is a Canadian charitable organization assisting in the sponsorship and resettlement of refugees. Their mission is to provide support and expertise to groups involved in refugee sponsorship and resettlement, including many churches in the GTA. Second Century has invited them to speak to us about their work, and will be giving the organisation a donation. Marin Lehmann-Bender, their Sponsorship Director, will be at both the 8:30 am and 10:30 am services to tell us about the work they do.

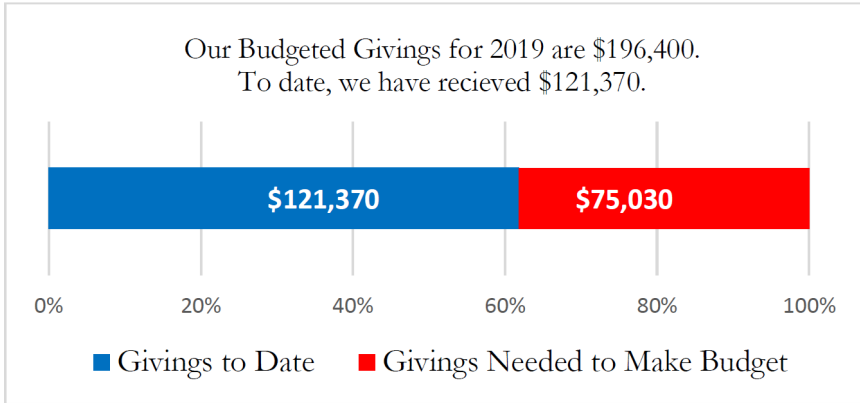
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS: Choral Evensong for Advent Sunday with **Voices** chamber choir on Sunday December 1 at 4:00 p.m., followed by Christmas Tea. At 5:00 p.m., St. Olave's Arts Guild presents light music and light entertainment, including drama, poetry, music and songs.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for the St. Olave's Christmas Outreach Dinner at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday December 7th. We are currently looking for people to host tables as well as volunteers to prepare turkeys and assist the table hosts. Help us offer a warm and welcoming Christmas dinner to people who might not otherwise have one. If you're interested in helping out, contact the Assistant Curate, Alexandra Pohlod, at curate@stolaves.ca, by telephone at 416-769-5686 ext. 3, or speak to her in person. For more info please visit our website at stolaves.ca/communitymeal.

ETOBICOKE CENTENNIAL CHOIR: Sweet Rejoicing
Saturday December 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Humber Valley United Church, 76 Anglesey Blvd, Etobicoke. Celebrate the season with Vivaldi's uplifting *Gloria*, accompanied by string quintet, oboe and trumpet. The Father John Redmond Concert Choir will add their youthful voices to the festivities – and it wouldn't be Christmas without a sing-along of traditional carols! Doors open at 6:00 p.m. for the festive Christmas Marketplace, offering baked goods and artisan crafts. Tickets \$30 (children 12 and under free). For tickets, please contact **Dale Allen at 416-769-9271**.

2020 CHURCH CALENDARS are available from Judy Beal in the Church Office. St. Olave's is featured as the church for the month of March!
Cost: \$8.00 each. Cheque or cash – exact change appreciated.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE: The graph below compares the amount of givings budgeted for all of 2019 with the amount received to date. We typically receive a large percentage of our gifts in the last three months of the year, and we are hopeful that we can significantly close the gap before the end of December. These figures do not include additional substantial gifts received this year toward the cost of replacing the boiler (\$47,015) and the cost of the curacy (\$8000).



GREETERS NEEDED: 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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STAY INFORMED ABOUT NEWS AND SPECIAL EVENTS AT ST. OLAVE'S! Please email the office at stolaves@stolaves.ca if you'd like to be added to our email list.