

ST. OLAVE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
Rector: The Rev'd Robert Mitchell
Assistant Curate: The Rev'd Alexandra Pohlod
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Announcements for January 19, 2020

T O D A Y A T S T . O L A V E ' S

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTARS are the gift of Sheila Tait, to the Glory of God, and in loving memory of her Mother, Margaret May Tait.

WE ARE DELIGHTED to be joined this morning by the Rt Rev'd Jenny Andison, members of the South Sudanese Community Church, and the family and friends of our Confirmands.

MEET THE CONFIRMANDS: Jesse Dickson, Armita Ebrahimnejad, Claire Hewitt, and Fred Sallah. Please see insert for photos and bios.

VISITORS AND PARISHIONERS, please join us in the Parish Hall following the 10:30 a.m. service for a lovely lunch catered by the South Sudanese ladies. We are grateful to them for this. It is always such a culinary treat! There will be a freewill basket available at lunch for you to offer your appreciation for this significant contribution. (The entire contents of the basket will be given to the South Sudanese Community Church.)

T H I S W E E K A T S T . O L A V E ' 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. Durations: 1 hour. Cost: \$10 per class; 1-month trail \$30; 12-week package: \$90. For more information, contact Darlene at 416-357-3934.

ACW EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday January 21 at 10:30 a.m.

MARY & MARTHA GROUP: Tuesday January 21 at 2:00 p.m.

ADVISORY BOARD: Reports are due Tuesday January 21. The next Advisory Board meeting will be held on Tuesday January 28 at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Wednesday January 22 for Bible Study in the Ethel Brown Room. We meet every Wednesday at 10 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel follows at 11:15 am.

PILGRIM'S GROUP: Wednesday January 22 at 2:00 p.m.

TORONTO CHURCH ARCHITECTURE: Friday January 24

Evening Prayer at 6 p.m., followed by light supper at 6:30. From 7 to 8 p.m., **Dr. Carl Benn** from Ryerson University's Department of History discusses the diversities of Toronto church architecture, from the Neoclassical visions of the Georgians to the Gothic Revival and eclectic tastes of the Victorians.

REV'D ALEXANDRA'S ORDINATION: Sunday January 26 at 4:00 p.m.

We are delighted that the College of Bishops of the Diocese of Toronto has unanimously concurred with the ordination of Alexandra Pohlod to the priesthood. As a priest, Alexandra will be able to celebrate Holy Communion and officiate at the other sacraments and rites of the Anglican Church. It is still expected that she will complete 2 full years with us as our Curate. She will be ordained by **The Bishop of Toronto, the Rt Revd Andrew Asbil**, here at St. Olave's on **Sunday January 26 at 4:00 p.m.** Congratulations Alexandra!

SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday January 21	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer <i>Agnes, Virgin and Martyr</i>
Wednesday January 22	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 11:15 a.m. Holy Communion 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer <i>Vincent, Deacon and Martyr</i>
Thursday January 23	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
Friday January 24	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 12:00 noon ORA <i>St. Timothy and St. Titus, Apostolic Men</i> 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer <i>Eve of the Conversion of St. Paul</i>
Sunday January 26	8:30 a.m. Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 4:00 p.m. Ordination <i>Third Sunday After the Epiphany</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. **Flowers are needed for: Sunday January 26 (including Ordination with Bishop Andrew Asbil at 4:00 p.m.); Sunday February 9 (including Evensong at 4:00 p.m.); Sunday February 16.**

PRAYER READING GROUP: Friday January 31 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 reading, discussion, and Compline. 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

JUNIOR CHURCH SKATING PARTY: Saturday February 1 at Rennie Park from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Martha Riddell children@stolaves.ca

CANDLEMAS, Sunday, February 2 (or the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, BCP p. 266) marks the end of the Christmas/Epiphany season. Christmas Day and The Presentation are the bookends to a forty-day celebration of the incarnation of the Light of the World, Jesus Christ. St John's declaration on Christmas morning that the Light that "shineth in the darkness," has come into the world (BCP p. 106), is affirmed forty days later by Simeon's proclamation: "For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, And to be the glory of thy people Israel (BCP p. 22). The service for this day includes the blessing of candles, which is why this feast day is also known as Candlemas. Candles are poignant symbols of Christ light that help us through the darkest days of the year. At St Olave's, we will be blessing the candles to be used by the church throughout the upcoming year. **Parishioners are also invited and encouraged to bring candles from home to be blessed at the same time.** These candles can then be returned to your home and will burn as symbols of Christ's presence where you live. Join us for this special service on February 2, at both 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING: Wednesday February 5 at 7:00 p.m.

THE VIENNESE SCHOOL: Sunday February 9 Choral Evensong for the Queen's Accession at 4 p.m. with **Schola Ecclesiam**. Followed by Royal Festive Tea, during which the choir's director **Clement Carelse** presents an illustrated feature on what we now call the **First Viennese School** of composers, which includes Beethoven, Haydn, Mozart and Schubert. This marks the start of Beethoven's 250th anniversary year.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING: Friday February 21.

Evening Prayer at 6:00 p.m. followed by light supper. Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Annual Vestry Reports due by **Tuesday February 11.**

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!
(Only 4 left!) Cost: \$8.00 each. Cheque or cash – exact change appreciated.

2020 DUPLEX ENVELOPES ARE IN! Please pick up your assigned envelopes from the back pew. Don't have a number? There are several unassigned numbers. Please email our Envelope Secretary Doug Hewitt at envelopesecretary@stolaves.ca to let him know the number you have chosen. Or, why not sign-up with our Pre-Authorized Giving program and never miss a week! Simply fill out a PAG form on the table in the Narthex and contact Doug, he'll get you started!

ONLINE GIVING AT ST. OLAVE'S: We have recently enrolled in a stewardship program called tithe.ly which manages online giving for more than 12,000 churches in North America. Go to stolaves.ca/giveonline to make your gift to our general fund, our Second Century Mission Fund or our maintenance fund. **You do not need to sign in or create an account to make a donation.** You can also download the tithe.ly app for your phone and give-on-the-go. You will be prompted to set up an account for your first gift, but once you're set up, it's easy to make donations whenever or wherever you like!

THANK YOU TO OUR DECEMBER GREETERS: Caroline Audet, Bette Birmingham, Janice Douglas, Jim Shapland, Annis Tebbutt, John Stafford, Jacob Stafford, Elizabeth Cannings, John Cannings, David Hutcheon, Cathy Hutcheon, Katie Douglas, Gabbie Douglas and Rev'd Ruth Smith. If you would like to greet during the coming months, add your name to the clip board in the Narthex or contact Janice Douglas at craig.janice@rogers.com.

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