

Advent IV

Sunday, 23 December 2007

Welcome. We hope that the liturgy will assist you in prayer and the worship of Almighty God. More information about the church and our practices may be found at the end of this leaflet.

8.00 a.m. Said Mass

Celebrant: Fr Nahabedian
Proprs as at 11.00am

CHURCH SCHOOL PROGRAMME today at the 9.30 Mass. Please go to the lounge. All are welcome.

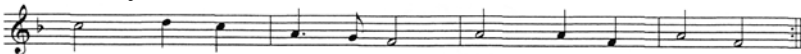
9.30 a.m. Sung Mass

Celebrant: Fr MacLean; Deacon: The Rev'd M. Maybee

Gathering of the People of God

Introit Hymn

K. Kendrick

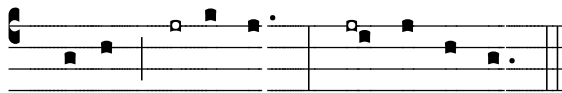


Come now, O God of hope, we are your peo - ple. Pour out your Spi - rit that we be your bo - dy.

- Greeting Blue Book No. 63
Kyrie Eleison Blue Book No. 64
Collect of the Day BAS p. 272

Proclamation of the Word of God (please sit)

First Reading: Isaiah 7: 10 - 16 Lector: Brian Clarke
Psalm 80: 1 - 7, 16 - 18



- C: HEAR, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock : shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the ché-ru-bim.
P: In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin and Ma-nas-seh : stir up your strength and come to help us.
C: Restore us, O God of hosts : show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
P: O Lord God of hosts : how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your peo-ple?
C: You have fed them with the bread of tears : you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
P: You have made us the derision of our neigh-bours : and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

- C: Restore us, O God of hosts : show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
P: Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand : the son of man you have made so strong for your-self.
C: And so will we never turn away from you : give us life that we may call up-on your name.
P: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts : show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Second Reading: Romans 1: 1 - 7 Lector: Heather McGregor

Sequence Hymn 11 (small green book - stand) Veni Emmanuel

Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Glo - ry be to you Lord Je - sus, A - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Praise be to you Lord Je - sus, A - le - lu - ia.

Acclamations Blue Book p. 126

Holy Gospel: Matthew 1: 18 - 25

Homily: The Rev'd M. Maybee (please sit)

Nicene Creed (stand - bow at the Incarnatus)... Blue Book p. 127

Prayers of the People (as announced)

Confession & Absolution (please kneel) Blue Book p. 128

Kiss of Peace (please stand) Blue Book p. 128

Offering of the Eucharistic Sacrifice

Offertory Hymn 2 (small green book) Verbum Supernum

Prayer over the Gifts

Sursum Corda Blue Book No. 65

Eucharistic Prayer No. 3 Blue Book p. 131

Sanctus Blue Book No. 66

Lord's Prayer & Breaking of Bread Blue Book No. 67

Holy Communion (you may stand or kneel)

Communion Anthem Blue Book No. 68

(We sit in silent thanksgiving, then stand for the hymn.)

Hymn 3 (small green book) Cross of Jesus

Post Communion Collect

Blessing & Dismissal Blue Book No. 69

10.40 a.m. Mattins in the Lady Chapel

(The office begins at the petition 'O Lord, open thou our lips.' on page 6 of the Book of Common Prayer. Please join in as you arrive)
Psalms 93, 96 BCP pp. 450, 453
Lessons: Baruch 4: 21 - 29; Galatians 3: 15 - 22



11.00 a.m. Solemn Mass

Celebrant: Fr Thompson; Deacon: The Rev'd M. Maybee;
Sub-deacon: Bill Greig

Music of the Mass: Dixit Maria Hassler
Prelude: Renaissance music for guitar (various)

Gathering of the People of God

Asperges me, Domine Blue Book No. 107

(Stand and kneel with the Sacred Ministers.)

Introit: Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let her bring forth salvation. Ps. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth his handiwork. Glory be

Greeting (please stand) Blue Book p. 139

Kyrie eleison Text - Blue Book p. 139

Collect of the Day

Proclamation of the Word of God

First Reading: Isaiah 7: 10 - 16 (please sit)

Lector: David Widenmaier

Gradual: The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea, all such as call upon him faithfully. V. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name.

Second Reading: Romans 1: 1 - 7

Alleluia: Alleluia. Come, O Lord, make no long tarrying: deliver thy people from their misdeeds. Alleluia.

Sequence Hymn 11 (small green book - stand) Veni Emmanuel

Holy Gospel: Matthew 1: 18 - 25

Sermon: The Rev'd M. Maybee (please sit)

Nicene Creed (stand - bow at the Incarnatus)... Blue Book No. 110

Prayers of the People (as announced)

Response: Lord, have mercy.

Final Response: To thee, O Lord.

Confession and Absolution..... Blue Book p. 142

Kiss of Peace (stand) Blue Book p. 142

Offering of the Eucharistic Sacrifice

Offertory Hymn 2 (*small green book*) Verbum Supernum
(*please sit after hymn ends*)

Offertory Sentence: *Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.*

Motet *The Blessed Son of God* Vaughan Williams
*The blessed son of God only in a crib full poor did lie;
With our poor flesh and our poor blood
Was clothed that everlasting good. Kyrieleison.*

*The Lord Christ Jesu, God's son dear,
Was a guest and a stranger here;
Us for to bring from misery, that we might live eternally.
Kyrieleison.*

*All this did he for us freely, for to declare his great mercy;
All Christendom be merry therefore,
And give him thanks for evermore. Kyrieleison.*

*(Stand as the thurifer approaches to cense the congregation;
remain standing until the end of the Sanctus.)*

Intention of the Mass

Priest: Pray that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his holy name, to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Gifts

Sursum Corda **Blue Book No. 116**

Sanctus Text - Blue Book p. 143

Eucharistic Prayer B (*please kneel*) **Blue Book p. 145**

Lord's Prayer **Blue Book No. 117**

The Fraction **Blue Book p. 146**

Agnus Dei Text - Blue Book p. 146

Holy Communion (*you may kneel or stand*)

Communion Sentence: *Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a son: and his name shall be called Emmanuel.*

Advent Prose Hymn 501 (*small green book*) Rorate Caeli
(*congregation joins during the verse*)

(Sit. The community prays in silent thanksgiving.)

Concluding Rite

Post Communion Collect (*you may stand*)

Blessing and **Dismissal** **Blue Book No. 118**

Hymn 3 (*small green book*) Cross of Jesus

The Angelus (*see inside front cover of hymn book*)

Postlude *Nun komm der Heiden Heiland* Bach

Those who wish to say **the Rosary** together are invited to meet at the Shrine of Our Lady after coffee, at about 12.50pm.

We would like to thank **Don Macdonald** for providing us with Renaissance music for guitar from Spain and Italy as a prelude to the Solemn Mass today.

1.15 pm Evening Prayer

Psalms 148, 150 BCP pp. 519, 521

Lessons: Isaiah 33: 17 – 22; Luke 1: 67 – 80

Advent is a coming, not our coming to God, but his to us. We cannot come to God, he is beyond our reach; but he can come to us, for we are not beneath his mercy. Even in another life, as St John sees it in his vision, we do not rise to God, but he descends to us, and dwells humanly among human creatures, in the glorious man, Jesus Christ. And that will be his last coming; so we shall be his people, and he everlastingly our God, our God-with-us, our Emmanuel. He will so come, but he is come already, he comes always: in our fellow-Christian (even in a child, says Christ), in his word, invisibly in our souls, more visibly in this sacrament. Opening ourselves to him, we call him in: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; O come, Emmanuel. – Austin Farrer

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

Visitors are invited to sign one of the guest books in the narthex. **Full music hymn books**, or **large print hymn books** are available from sidespersons. The **Blue Book**, which you have, lists **hymns** and **Mass music by number**. The text of the **liturgies** is by **page number** at the back of the book. All who are **baptised** with water in the name of the Holy Trinity are welcome to receive **Holy Communion** in the Anglican Church. **At the time of Communion** you may receive bread and wine **OR** bread only. However, **intinction** (dipping bread into the wine) is **no** longer allowed. You may kneel or stand to receive communion.

Washrooms are in the basement which can be reached from the door beside the font. There is a **wheelchair-accessible lift and washroom** in the office area. Please speak to one of the sidespersons.



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(Tuesday to Friday, 10.00 am – 3.00pm)

SEXTON

Alvaro Castañeda



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church of St Mary Magdalene, Toronto Sunday, 23 December 2007

Visitors are warmly welcomed and are invited to enjoy refreshments with us after the 9.30 or 11 o'clock Mass.

- At today's coffee hour, as a gesture of thanks, Alvaro Castañeda, our sexton, and his wife Rosalia and son Nicolas provide special Colombian coffee for our enjoyment, as well as Colombian bread at the Réveillon on Christmas Eve.
- The decoration of the church for Christmas will take place today after the Solemn Mass. If you can help, please speak with Edith Killey.
- Tomorrow, Monday, 24 December, Mass will be at 10.00am, followed by confessions from 11.00 to 11.30am.
- Confessions will also be heard in the church on Christmas Eve from 5.00 to 5.30pm and from 9.30 to 10.00pm.
- If you have ordered statues or other ceramic figures, they have arrived. Please speak to Alvaro after Mass.
- After the Solemn Mass on Christmas Eve, the annual Réveillon or Christmas party will take place. All members of the congregation are invited. Donations of finger foods and refreshments are needed and welcomed, as well as help cleaning up.
- Please remember that on New Year's Day, Mass with hymns is celebrated at 10.00am followed by the annual Levée in the rectory to which all parishioners and family and friends are invited.
- Those who have requested envelopes for 2008 may pick them up at the back of the church. Please note that your envelope number may have changed, to reduce wastage.
- On Sunday, 13 January, there will be a fundraising dinner which will start at about 6.00pm, following Solemn Evensong. *Festa Italiana* has been organised by some of the Italian members of the congregation, and will provide a joyful occasion for parishioners to share traditional Italian fare. Tickets will be \$35 (\$5 for children under 12); a tax receipt will be issued for \$20 per adult ticket.
- Women's Transition House is a hospice for aboriginal women (and their children) recovering from spousal abuse. Parishioners are invited to donate wrapped Christmas gifts for adults and children which will be delivered to the House on Boxing Day. Please indicate the age for which a

child's gift is appropriate. Items such as cosmetics, stockings, scarves, etc. which will help build self-esteem in the women will be appreciated. Thank you.

- With 2007 drawing to a close, the parish is getting ready to issue envelopes for 2008. This is a great time to remind everyone about the Pre-Authorized Remittance system. The Pre-Authorized Remittance system lets you automate your donations to the church. Once a month, the bank transfers money directly from your account to the church's account. You don't need to write cheques or keep track of how many you've written, and the parish volunteer counters have fewer cheques to process. The Pre-Authorized Remittance system is highly secure. You can direct your givings to the General Fund, the Second Century Fund, and/or FaithWorks. Of course, you can withdraw or change your contribution at any time. For more information, please speak to one of the wardens.

CALENDAR 24 – 30 December 2007

24 Monday	10.00am Mass	Feria
	11.00pm Solemn Mass & Procession	Christmas Eve
25 Tuesday	8.00am Said Mass	Christmas Day
	10.00am Folk Mass	
26 Wednesday	10.00am Mass	S. Stephen, Martyr
27 Thursday	7.15am Mass	S. John, Ap. & Ev.
	10.00am La Messa	
28 Friday	6.00pm Mass	Holy Innocents
29 Saturday	10.00am Mass	Thomas Becket, Abp. & M.
30 Sunday	8.00am Said Mass	Christmas I
	9.30am Sung Mass	
	11.00am Solemn Mass	

Mass Readings for Christmas I

Isaiah 63: 7 – 9; Hebrews 2: 10 – 18; Matthew 2: 13 – 23

Confessions will NOT be heard in the church this Saturday, but may be heard by appointment. Mattins and Evening Prayer are normally said in the church on weekdays at 9:00 am and 5:30 pm, except for Wednesday and Saturday when Mattins is said at 9:30 am. Sacrament of Anointing for healing of the sick - first Sunday of the month.