



The Church of Saint Mary Magdalene
Toronto, Canada

What's On

October to December
2017

477 Manning Avenue (at Ulster Street)
www.stmarymagdalene.ca

What's in this brochure?

Regular Services	3
Special Liturgies	4
Music	7
Guest Preachers	7
Outreach & Social Justice	8
Spiritual Growth for Adults	9
Family-Friendly Programs	10
Contact Information	12



Who are we?

We are an Anglican Church in the anglo-catholic tradition, with rich liturgical and musical traditions and heritage.

We celebrate mass every day. We offer praise in times of joy, and comfort in times of sorrow. We make music. We worship God in the beauty of holiness, and in the messiness of ordinary life. We reach out to the community to offer help in times of need, and we invite you to come in to learn new ways of seeking God (and old ways, too!).

We offer programs for adults, and for families and children. We collaborate with other churches, synagogues, and community groups to do things that are too big to do by ourselves.

This brochure is intended to give you a brief guide to our activities this season. We invite you to be part of any and all of the services and other events happening at the Church of St Mary Magdalene.

REGULAR SERVICES

Mass is celebrated daily at St Mary Magdalene's. These are the services we offer every week.

We offer Sunday School programs for children and youth and a Nursery program at both the 9.30 am and 11.00 am masses.

SUNDAY

8.00 am Said Mass

A quiet, reflective, and intimate celebration of the Eucharist.

9.30 am Sung Mass

A modern language mass with diverse and eclectic congregational music, supported by choir, instruments, and Orff ensemble.

11.00 am Solemn High Mass

A rich ceremonial and a numinous sense of mystery, enriched with Gregorian Chant and polyphonic music of every period, medieval to modern.

First Sunday of Every Month (except July and August)

4.00 pm Organ Recital

An offering of music before Evensong.

4.30 pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction

A quiet, reflective service of prayer, with hymns, chant, and polyphonic music.

WEEKLY

Monday **6.00 pm Mass**

Tuesday **7.15 am Mass** followed by breakfast

Wednesday **10.00 am Mass** followed by discussion group

Thursday **7.15 am Mass** followed by breakfast

10.00 am La Messa (Italian)

La Santa Missa (Portuguese) on the last Thursday of the month

Friday **6.00 pm Mass**

Saturday **10.00 am Mass** followed by breakfast

On public holidays mass is celebrated at 10.00 am.

Throughout the year we celebrate certain occasions with masses at special times. For more information, please see **Special Liturgies** (p. 5).

For up-to-date information, please visit www.stmarymagdalene.ca.



SPECIAL LITURGIES

These are some of the great feast days and special occasions we are celebrating this season at St Mary Magdalene's.

For up-to-date information, please visit www.stmarymagdalene.ca.

Sunday 1 October Pentecost XVII

8.00 am Said Mass

9.30 am Sung Mass

11.00 am Solemn Mass

3.00 pm Blessing of the Animals

In honour of St Francis of Assisi, who preached to the birds and blessed the wolf of Gubbio, we invite you to bring your pets to SMM to receive a blessing just for them.

4.00 pm Organ Recital

MUSIC: *Johann Sebastian Bach*

4.30 pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction

... continued on the next page.

Sunday 15 October Solemnity of the Feast of the Dedication of SMM

A celebration to honour the dedication of the Church of St Mary Magdalene in 1948.

8.00 am Said Mass

10.00 am Procession & Solemn Parish Mass

MUSIC: *Willan, Tomlinson, Bruckner*

PREACHER: The Rev'd Pearce Carefoote (see *Guest Preachers p. 7*)

Sunday 29 October Pentecost XXI

8.00 am Said Mass

9.30 am Sung Mass (All Ages)

11.00 am Solemn Mass

After each mass: Liturgy Moments

(A brief chat about some aspect of the liturgy at SMM.)

Wednesday 1 November All Saints' Day

We offer a day in celebration of all the saints.

7.15 am Said Mass

6.00 pm Procession & Solemn Mass

... followed by a pot-luck supper.

Thursday 2 November All Souls' Day

We offer Requiem Masses in memory of all who have died.

7.15 am Requiem Mass

10.00 am Requiem Mass

6.00 pm Solemn Requiem Mass

MUSIC: *Victoria's Missa pro defunctis*

Sunday 5 November Pentecost XXII

8.00 am Said Mass

9.30 am Sung Mass

11.00 am Solemn Mass

4.00 pm Organ Recital MUSIC: *Organ fireworks*

4.30 pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction

PREACHER: The Rev'd Chris Harper (see *Guest Preachers p. 7*)

Sunday 12 November Pentecost XXIII

8.00 am Said Mass

9.30 am Sung Mass

11.00 am Solemn Mass

PREACHER: The Rev'd Chris Brittain (see *Guest Preachers p. 7*)

Sunday 26 November Christ the King

A great feast at the culmination of the Church year.

8.00 am Said Mass

9.30 am Procession & Sung Mass

11.00 am Procession & Solemn Mass

... continued on the next page.

Sunday 3 December *Advent I*

8.00 am Said Mass

9.30 am Sung Mass (All Ages)

11.00 am Solemn Mass

4.00 pm Advent Organ Recital

MUSIC: Nico Muhly's O antiphons

4.30 pm Solemn Evensong with Advent Carols & Benediction

MUSIC: Kennerly's Adam lay ybounden

Friday 8 December *Feast of the Immaculate Conception*

A feast in honour of the mother of Christ.

6.00 pm Procession & Solemn Mass

... followed by a pot-luck supper.

Sunday 24 December *Advent IV & Christmas Eve*

We offer an early evening service with a pageant and lots of carols, and Midnight Mass with Procession later in the night.

8.00 am Said Mass (Advent)

10.00 am Solemn Parish Mass (Advent)

4.00 pm Sung Mass with Carols & Children's Pageant

10.30 pm Christmas Organ Recital

11.00 pm Solemn Midnight Mass & Procession

... followed by a Réveillon (a really big party)!

Sunday 25 December *Christmas Day*

We offer an early morning Said Mass, and a Sung Mass full of carols.

8.00 am Said Mass

10.00 am Sung Mass



MUSIC

Music is an integral part of life at St Mary Magdalene's. Steeped in heritage and assisted by a generous acoustic, our music program is brought to life every Sunday by the Gallery Choir, the Ritual Choir, the SMM Singers, and other musicians who give of their time and talents. In addition to our regular services and feast days, from time to time the choirs also put on concerts and other musical events.

For more information, including music schedules and upcoming events, please visit www.stmarymagdalene.ca

GUEST PREACHERS

During the fall we will be hearing from three different guest preachers, as a visible sign of the diversity and catholicity of the Church and our diocese.

Sunday 15 October (Solemnity of the Feast of Dedication)

The Reverend Pearce Carefoote. In addition to serving as an honorary assistant priest at St. James' Cathedral, Fr Carefoote serves the Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library at the University of Toronto as the Interim Head of Rare Books and Special Collections, Mediaeval manuscripts, Incunabula, and early books. He is the author of *Forbidden Fruit: Banned, Censored, and Challenged Books from Dante to Harry Potter*.

Sunday 5 November (Pentecost XXII)

The Reverend Chris Harper, the Indigenous Native Priest of the Diocese of Toronto. A lifelong Anglican and the son of a residential school survivor, he studied at James Settee College in the Diocese of Saskatchewan, earning a Certificate of Indigenous Anglican Theology, before going to Wycliffe College. Chris will speak to us about First Nations issues within our Church and why support for Pikangikum water project is important for us all as Christians and Anglicans.

Sunday 12 November (Pentecost XXIII)

The Reverend Chris Brittain is the new Dean of Divinity and Margaret E. Fleck Chair in Anglican Studies at Trinity College. Professor Brittain is engaged in research on the ongoing tensions within the global Anglican Communion, Interfaith Partnerships, and Theological Responses to Disaster and Terrorism. In addition he continues to work on articles on Political Theology and on the writings of the early Frankfurt School on religion and theology. He is currently developing a theological study of the concept of power, entitled *Power and Powerlessness*.

OUTREACH & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Saturday 4 November, 9.30 am–3.30 pm Diocesan Outreach Conference

Featuring a keynote address from Dr Carl James of York University as well as a slate of workshops on various topics. Lunch and childcare provided. Cost \$30.00 (\$15.00 for students or unemployed).

Please register at <http://www.toronto.anglican.ca/parish-life/social-justice-and-advocacy/outreach-conference/outreach-conference-workshops/>

Tuesday 24 October, 28 November, 2.30 pm

O'Neill Centre Nursing Home Ministry

We offer a ministry of sacrament and presence to the residents and staff at the nursing home on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 416.531.7955 x 2 or office@stmarymagdalene.ca.

Monday 9 October (Thanksgiving),

Friday 24 November, 22 December, 4.30 pm

Community Dinners

A ministry of hospitality at which over 100 guests are served, held at St Thomas, Huron Street. Please join us to help prepare food, serve the meal, and/or clean up afterwards.

For more information, please contact Brian Clarke at b.clarke@utoronto.ca.



SPIRITUAL GROWTH FOR ADULTS

Collegium Magdalenae is a weekly study group offering a place to learn, explore, and ask questions about living a Christian life. We meet Tuesday evenings, 7.00 to 8.30 pm.

17 October to 21 November *An Introduction to Ecotheology*

Join us for a six-week program in which we will explore the meaning and implications of ecotheology. This approach invites us to see creation as the primary revelation of God. From this vantage-point, we may gain new insight into traditional theology, and how we as Christians might grasp the roots of the environmental crisis. Topics may include creation as a means of loving and knowing God; the spiritual dimensions of evolution as understood in the science-based Universe Story of creation; the interconnectedness of ecosystems and the trinitarian structure of reality; the Universe Story as a profound reflection on the paschal mystery, original and personal sin, and the existence of suffering in the presence of a loving God. No previous background required, and the group's interests will be taken into account. We will provide short readings, presentations and opportunities for discussion.

For more information, please contact Brian Gibson at brian.gibson@utoronto.ca or Carole Giangrande at cgian@rogers.com.

Brian and Carole both hold Diplomas in Theological Studies from the University of St Michael's College, Toronto. Both studied ecotheology, and Brian also holds a certificate from the Elliot Allen Institute in Ecology and Theology.

Wednesday Morning Discussion Group

We meet weekly from 11.00 am to noon, following the 10.00 am Mass for Bible and Book Study. We are reading and discussing the book *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist: Unlocking the Secrets of the Last Supper*. Newcomers are always welcome.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 416.531.7955 x 2 or office@stmarymagdalene.ca.

Centering Prayer Group

Join us on Thursday evenings from 6.00 to 7.00 pm to learn about and practice this form of Christian meditation. We gather for prayer in the lounge at 6.00 pm, followed by discussion. This fall we are reading *The Heart of Centering Prayer* by the Rev'd Cynthia Bourgeault. Anyone is welcome to join – we will give support for prayer practice and the text.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 416.531.7955 x 2 or office@stmarymagdalene.ca.



FAMILY-FRIENDLY PROGRAMS

For more information about the following programs, please contact Mother Jennifer at 416.531.7955 x 6 or jennifer@stmarymagdalene.ca.

Friday 27 October to Sunday, 29 October

Youth Retreat “Agents of Change: Christ’s Heart in Action Nurturing Global Effect”

Tweens and teens aged 11 and up are invited to travel to Muskoka Woods Camp to join others from all across the diocese to explore how we are called to challenge injustice and bring change to the world.

Sunday 29 October, 9.30 am All Ages Mass

Our all-ages celebrations provide a dynamic environment for children, youth and other members of the congregation to participate in key moments of prayer and worship during the liturgy.

Tuesday 31 October, 5.30 pm to 8.30 pm *Hallowe’en Open House*

Come in costume or come as you are to celebrate the “spirit” of the season with free candy and cider. Mark All Souls’ Day by signing a Book of Remembrance to commemorate our loved ones with thoughtful prayer.

... continued on the next page.

Wednesday 1 November

All Saints' Day (school release date) at The Church of the Redeemer

Come and explore the feast of All Saints and why this date is so important in our church calendar with all day programming for children aged 4–14. (The TDSB allows Christian students to be excused from classes on All Saints' Day as part of its Days of Significance program.)

Saturday 2 December, 5.00 pm *An Evening for Advent*

Start preparing your hearts and minds for the coming of Jesus by sharing a meal. Then get creative and make a wreath to decorate your family home as the four-week period of waiting and expectation begins.

Friday 1 December, 9.00 am to 4.00 pm *"The Star" PD Fun Day*

(with before and after care 8.30 to 5.30)

This all day program will be full of fun as we explore the Christmas story through games, crafts, snacks and a trip to the movies to see the holiday release film "The Star." Cost \$12.

Sunday 3 December, 9.30am *All Ages Mass*

Join us as we all welcome Advent in together in an all-ages mass.

Sunday 24 December, 4.00 pm *All Ages Mass with Pageant & Carols*

Join us on Christmas Eve as we celebrate the birth of Christ with an all ages mass including a pageant and lots of favourite Christmas carols.



The Church of Saint Mary Magdalene

477 Manning Avenue (at Ulster Street)

Toronto M6G 2V8

416.531.7955

office@stmarymagdalene.ca

www.stmarymagdalene.ca

Find us on Facebook as

Church of Saint Mary Magdalene, Toronto

Follow us on Twitter

@SMMToronto

Office Hours

Monday to Friday

8.30 am – 12.00 pm and 1.00 pm – 4.30 pm



Rector

The Reverend Canon David Harrison

Associate Priest – Children & Youth

The Reverend Jennifer Schick

Music Director

Andrew Adair

Parish Administrator

Elisabeth Beattie