# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS \*

SUNDAY, 23 MARCH, 2025 PLEASE TAKE THIS HOME

Father Hannam requests that all cases of sorrow or suffering be reported to him.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR** following the 11 o'clock service! We meet in the Parish Hall, down the front stairs and to the right.

FROM OUR REGENT PARK MINISTRY PARTNERS: A team in Regent Park is launching a podcast exploring the church's engagement with people experiencing poverty—challenging the assumption that people in need are external recipients rather than internal contributors. Have you had an experience that changed your perspective on poverty, charity, or inclusion? Maybe a relationship, conversation, or moment reshaped your understanding of who truly belongs in the church. We're looking for stories of personal transformation—insights that can help others see the church and poverty through new eyes. Interested? Please contact Rev. Angie Hocking, Community Minister and deacon in Regent Park at ahocking@united-church.ca.

**THE BREAKFAST PROGRAMME** is open each Thursday. Doors open at 5:30 a.m. until 8:00 a.m., and hot food is served beginning at 6:00 a.m.

**THE S. BART'S FOOD BANK** is open Mondays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

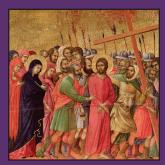
SUNG MASS FOR THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY will be celebrated this Tuesday, 25 March at 6:30 p.m.



# Lent at S. Bart's







STATIONS OF THE CROSS & MYSTAGOGY: Fridays in Lent at 7:00 p.m. We will read together E.R. Mascall's *Christ, the Christian, and the Church*. Fr Eric Lionel Mascall, O.G.S. (1905-1993) was a priest of the Church of England and, along with his friends Austin Farrer and Michael Ramsay, was one of the great Anglican theologians of the 20th century. He was one of the foremost interpreters of the thought of St Thomas Aquinas and his theology was a Thomist synthesis informed by his study of the Church Father's and the early Church's dogmatic pronouncements, and guided by the English Thomist Richard Hooker. *Christ, the Christian, and the Church* sets out in a robust yet accessible way the classical Doctrine of the Incarnation, then points out the limitations of some modern attempts to 'update' it, and then situates other aspects of the Catholic Faith — e.g., the Church, the Sacraments — within the wider context of the Incarnation of the Word.

'COR AD COR LOQUITUR' CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP: Saturdays in Lent at 10:00 a.m. Guided *Lectio Divina*, followed by silent prayer.

# ...Lent at S. Bart's...

**ADULT CATECHESIS** is offered on Saturdays in Lent at 1:00 p.m. (preceded by a light plant-based lunch at 12:00 p.m.) This is the normal introduction to Christian life and thought for adult candidates for baptism and / or confirmation. Topics will include *Sections 1 and 2* of the Prayer-Book Catechism: The Baptismal Convenant (Baptism & the Christian Life), and the Creed (Trinity, Incarnation, Creation, Redemption, the Last Things).

**NOSTRA PHILOSOPHIA READING GROUP:** Saturdays in Lent at 2:30 p.m. We will read together the first five books of Aristotle's *Metaphysics*.

**POSTED CONFESSION TIMES:** The Father Vicar (or a delegate) will hear confessions on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays in Lent. Please see the weekly calendar for times.

**BEAUTIFUL MUSIC FOR THE SEASON:** Check out S. Bart's music list for the coming season here: stbartstoronto.ca/lent-music-2025

**THE ALTAR GUILD** is gratefully accepting donations for flowers for the Easter Altars. Please clearly note the designation for your gift. Feel free to contact the office with any questions.

**WORKS OF MERCY IN LENT:** Lent is a time to re-examine our entire Christian Life. Are we performing temporal and spiritual works of mercy? Perhaps we should consider volunteering in one of our food and hospitality ministries — Thursday Breakfasts, or the Food Bank.

# **™ INTERCESSIONS**

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the repose of the soul of Susan Johnson. Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord.

### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:

- TODAY: Sun., 23 March: Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America
- **Monday, 24 March:** The Diocese of Maper Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan
- Tuesday, 25 March: Diocese of Mara Anglican Church of Tanzania
- Wednesday, 26 March: The Diocese of Maralal Anglican Church of Kenya
- Thurs., 27 March: Diocese of Marathwada Church of North India (United)
- Friday, 28 March: The Diocese of Maridi Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan
- Saturday 29 March: The Diocese of Marsabit Anglican Church of Kenya

INDIGENOUS CHURCH: For +Chris, National Indigenous Archbishop: for our shared Indigenous ministries and leadership. Particularly, for retiring Indigenous Clergy and Bishops: for rest and rebuilding of life and relationships; for Reconciliation, that it be a shared verb and not just a noun; for open ears and hearts, and for the willingness to humble ourselves enough truly to hear the lament of the other voice before us, and to acknowledge that pain and brokenness can be deeper than ever delved or perceived; and +Adam, Bishop of Missinippi: for a fair and equitable financial remuneration for the Bishop of Missinippi and his clergy, and for financial resources to support the ministry of the Church in Northern Saskatchewan.

### **DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:**

- TODAY: Sunday, 23 March: The Diocesan Volunteer Corps
- Monday, 24 March: San Lorenzo-Dufferin
- Tuesday, 25 March: S. George on-the-Hill
- Wednesday, 26 March: S. Joseph's Anglican Church

- Thursday, 27 March: S. Margaret, New Toronto
- Friday, 28 March: S. Matthew, Islington
- Saturday, 29 March: The Season of Spiritual Renewal

**THE SICK & THOSE IN NEED: WED:** Alison, Amanda, Andy, Angela, Antonio, George Barkhouse, Ronald Bentley, Beth; | **FRI:** The Carlén Family, Kimberley Curtis, Demetra, Robert Hegele, Scott Hunter, Isabel, James; | **SAT:** Jenni, Catherine LaFond, Laura, Marlyn, Patrick, Patricia Ritacca, Tina, Todd, Trish

DAILY INTERCESSIONS: Clifton Aaron, Alan, Andrea, Andrea, Marjorie Austin, Sr Barbara SLSM, Trevon Beckford, Ben, Judy Brake, Bruce, Carl, Ralph Carter, Charlene, Sr Christine SLG, Christopher, David Conatser, Keastner Dawkins, Douglas, Grace, Debbie Hartley, Sydney Hegele, Lorna Heron, Lisa Hufana, Jakob, Jane, Joanne, John, Katherine, Pat Kennedy, Paul Kent, Audrey Kern, Samantha Lanz, Larry, Margaret McQuillan, Michael, Norma Miller, Harold Nahabedian (priest), Nickson; Peter; Rebecca; Heekyung Song, Stephen, Stuart, Susan, Tegan, Katherine Walmsley, Mark Weymouth, John Whittall (priest), Jun Wu

**DEPARTED:** Alison Brooman, Bill Snyder

THOSE WHO MOURN: Stephanie, Fyonna, David, & family, Wendy, Robert,

Sarah, Bailey, Gilbert, Amy, & family

# **▼ PARISH GIVINGS ★**

2025 Actual to 28 February: \$27,659 2025 Budget to 28 February: \$30,833 (2024 Actual to 28 February: \$26,993)

To date for 2025, we have a shortfall of \$3,174. Please keep in mind that the financial health of our parish relies not only on generous giving, but on regular giving.

## **▶** POETRY CORNER ▶

### 'I WAKE AND FEEL THE FELL OF DARK, NOT DAY'

by Gerard Manley Hopkins (1844-1889)

I wake and feel the fell of dark, not day.
What hours, O what black hours we have spent
This night! what sights you, heart, saw; ways you went!
And more must, in yet longer light's delay.
With witness I speak this. But where I say
Hours I mean years, mean life. And my lament
Is cries countless, cries like dead letters sent
To dearest him that lives alas! away.

I am gall, I am heartburn. God's most deep decree Bitter would have me taste: my taste was me; Bones built in me, flesh filled, blood brimmed the curse. Selfyeast of spirit a dull dough sours. I see The lost are like this, and their scourge to be As I am mine, their sweating selves; but worse.

### **▼ DEVOTIONAL VIGNETTE**

N THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT, the Church showed us Jesus in His struggle with the devil, but while she presented Him to us then in an attitude of humble defence before the devil's temptations, today we see Him in an attitude of attack which culminates in a glorious victory.

The Gospel tells us that there was a poor man possessed by the devil and he "was dumb." By a single act of His divine power Jesus "cast out the devil," and when he went out, "the dumb spoke, and multitudes were in admiration at it." But the enemy, as if to avenge his defeat, insinuates into the minds of the Pharisees the

shameful calumny: "He casteth out devils by Beelzebub, the prince of devils." Jesus is accused of being possessed by the devil and of having received from the devil power to free the possessed man. Our Lord, however, wills to completely unmask the enemy and with clear logic replies that Satan cannot give Him such power, because thereby Satan himself would be helping to destroy his own kingdom. No, it cannot be so: Jesus drive out devils by "the finger of God," by divine virtue. If Satan is powerful and his satellites join with him in the struggle to rule over man, Jesus is still more powerful and will overcome him and snatch away his prey. He has come to destroy the kingdom of Satan and to establish the kingdom of God.

If in these days God still permits the devil to carry on his evil work against individuals and society, Jesus by His death on the Cross has already paid the price of our victory. This treasure is at our disposal. Through the virtue and grace of Christ, every Christian has the power to overcome the enemy's attacks. The triumph of evil should not disturb us, for it is only an apparent victory. The might of Jesus is stronger and He is the one and only victor.

- Adapted from Father Gabriel of S. Mary Magdalene, O.C.D., Divine Intimacy: Meditations on the Interior Life for Every Day of the Liturgical Year

### THROUGH THE WEEK

Please check the website and subscribe to our enews list to stay informed of scheduling changes.

#### Sunday, 23 March

Confessions will be heard at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

#### THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

9:00 a.m. Low Mass11:00 a.m. Sung Mass

#### Monday, 24 March

Lenten Feria

10:00 a.m. Food Bank (until 11:30 a.m.)11:00 a.m. Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †

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| Tuesday, 25 March                                     | THE ANNUNCIATION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (com. Feria) |  |
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|   | 11:00 a.m.   | Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †   |
|   | 6:30 p.m.  | Sung Mass  |
| Wednesday, 26 March                                   | Lenten Feria   |  |
|   | 7:30 a.m.  | Low Mass   |
|   | 8:30 a.m.  | Morning Prayer   |
|   | 11:00 a.m.   | Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †   |
|   | 7:00 p.m.  | Guild of All Souls: Vespers of the Dead                            |
| Thursday, 27 March                                    | Lenten Feria   |  |
|   | 6:00 a.m.  | Breakfast Ministry (Doors open at 5:30 a.m., till 8:00 a.m.)       |
|   | 7:30 a.m.  | Low Mass   |
|   | 8:30 a.m.  | Morning Prayer   |
|   | 10:00 a.m.   | Food Bank (until 11:30 a.m.)                                       |
|   | 11:00 a.m.   | Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †   |
| Friday, 28 March                                      | Lenten Feria   |  |
| Confessions will be heard at 6:30 p.m.                | 7:30 a.m.  | Low Mass   |
|   | 8:30 a.m.  | Morning Prayer   |
|   | 11:00 a.m.   | Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †   |
|   | 7:00 p.m.  | Stations of the Cross, followed by Mystagogy                       |
| Saturday, 29 March                                    | Lenten Feria   |  |
| Confessions will be<br>heard at 4:00 p.m.             | 10:00 a.m.   | 'Cor ad cor loquitur' Contemplative Prayer Group                   |
|   | 11:00 a.m.   | Low Mass   |
|   | 1:00 p.m.  | Adult Lenten Catechesis begins (preceded by a light lunch at noon) |
|   | 2:30 p.m.  | Nostra Philosophia Reading Group                                   |
| Sunday, 30 March                                      | THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT (Laetare)                      |  |
| Confessions will be heard at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. | 9:00 a.m.  | Low Mass   |
|   | 11:00 a.m.   | Sung Mass  |

† indicates Eucharistic celebrations of the Anglocatholic Church, a worldwide church within the Old Catholic succession.

ARTWORK NOTES: "The Annunciation," J. W. Waterhouse 1849-1917; "Maestà Altarpiece," Duccio (d. 1319).

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