

Please join us for refreshments following the service.

This Week at St. George on Yonge

March 19, 2017

Tuesday

ESL Conversational Classes: 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.

Separate beginner- and intermediate-level sections are offered. No registration needed.

Mandarin Choir Practise: 2:00 p.m.

Parish Council: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Communion Service & Joel Reflection in the Chapel: Wednesdays, March 22, 29; April 5 at 10:30 a.m.

Candlelight Communion Service in the Chapel: Wednesdays, March 22, 29; April 5 at 7:30 p.m. Quiet, meditative, contemplative music, candlelit

Lenten Series following the Candlelight Communion Services: “The Prophet Joel . . . Join Others Encountering Lent.”

Thursday

Proverbs Class: 9:30 a.m.

Pub Knights: Come join the Knights on the 4th Thursday every month. The longest journey begins with just one small step. Take that first step and join the Knights for spirited conversation, a cold beverage, and great food this month at the “Frog & Firkin” (4854 Yonge Street, across from the Sheppard Centre on Yonge Street) on Thursday, ***March 23*** at 6:00 p.m. to approximately 8:00 p.m. For more information on how to be knighted call (416) 225-1922.

Mandarin Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

Parish Announcements

Sanctuary Configuration: For the season of Lent we are worshipping with the Sanctuary in configured in the round. There are many historic reasons to do so. This year, the cross is at the centre of our worship space, which is very appropriate for Lent. We enter into the Sanctuary through the Word of God, through the Cross, and through the waters of baptism in the font to the Eucharistic Table.

Some people have difficulty with this arrangement, and some find it to be a good experience. I encourage all of us to enter into these next weeks leading up to Easter with openness that God might touch us in a new way.

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Canon Mark Kinghan
Subdeacon	Margie Lyttle
Readers	Marcia Paiva, Beth Kinghan, James Yu
Intercessor	Geraldine Sperling
Server	Zoi Lewis
Chalice	Chip Barkel, Doug Heyes
Ushers	Team 3: Ann-Marie Waithe Powell (leader), Joan Chung-Tiam-Fook, Stephanie Aguiar
Counters	Richard Snider, Carolyn Poonwoo
Altar Guild	Grace Pryce, Anna Siu
Coffee Hosts	Laura & John Pummell

Community Notices

Yonge Churchill Child Care Centre: Before and after school programmes are available! Please see the flyer on the Welcome Desk for contact information.

Today's Scripture Readings		Next Sunday's Scripture Readings	
Third Sunday in Lent		Fourth Sunday in Lent	
Exodus 17:1-7	OT page 49	I Samuel 16:1-13	
Psalms 95	BAS page 833	Psalm 23	
Romans 5:1-11	NT page 118	Ephesians 5:8-14	
John 4:5-42	NT page 72	John 9:1-41	

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .
<p>Worldwide Anglican Cycle The people and leaders of the Diocese of Mbale, Uganda</p>
<p>Canadian Anglican-Lutheran Cycle The people and leaders of the Diocese of Western Newfoundland The people and leaders of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod</p>
<p>Diocesan Cycle The people and leaders of Diocesan Council</p>
<p>Deanery Cycle The clients, staff, and volunteers of Flemingdon Park Ministry (The Rev. Beverley Williams, Director)</p>
<p>Parish Ministry Cycle Welcome Desk Ministry Homebound Members: Nuha Saleh, Anne Scott</p>
<p>Congregation Cycle Bill Cawthorne Joan Chung-Tiam-Fook Betty Clennett Geoff & Stella Clennett, & William & Victoria John Cole & Trudy Lingham, & Azure & Zara</p>

St. George on Yonge Anglican Church



Lenten Candlelight Communion Services & Lenten Series



Wednesday evenings

March 22, 29; & April 5

7:30 p.m. Communion in the Chapel

**Take a few moments for yourself and God
out of your busy life and hectic schedule**

**Enjoy a time of quiet, meditation,
contemplative music, candlelit**

**Followed by our Lenten reflection Series
“The Prophet Joel . . .
Join Others Encountering Lent”**



*For God, who said, “Light shall shine out of darkness,” is
the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of
the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.*

II Corinthians 4:6

What Lent Means to Me

When I was in grade school, Lent was mainly a time of “giving up stuff” for me – favourite foods, television shows, staying up late, and the like. Now, as an adult, I look to Lent as a time of reflection, focus, and solemn observance to my Father.

I believe Lent is a gift; purposefully to seek God’s guidance during this holy time, while I let go of a behaviour or character trait that is a hindrance to my Christian walk with Him.

Throughout Lent, I continually thank God for his daily mercies and look forward to a brilliant and triumphant Easter season!

– Bobbi McFarlane

Lent is a long-term festival to Christian. It is 40 days long but, unlike other Christian festivals, we don’t have anything to celebrate during this term. Moreover, it is more like a Fasting. We commemorate Jesus who was tempted for 40 days in the wilderness by the devil. I think Lent is to empty and prepares me for Good Friday. It is a term to confess sins which I have done before, and Lent is a declaration of my faith, not only to God but also to the devil. It is to recognise God is my only salvation. Furthermore, it is the beginning of all service, and we need to renew and update our faith and Lent is a good term for reading the Bible as well.

– James Yu