

OCTOBER 18, 2020

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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Propers for 8:00 am Eucharist:

Page 249 & Collect for St Luke pg 295; Introit: Psalm 138; Gradual: Psalm 103.1-5

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

TODAY

TRINITY XIX

8:00 am in person Mass;

9:30 am Streamed Mass (not open to the public);

11:00 am in person Mass;

4:00 pm **THE FEAST OF SAINT LUKE WITH THE PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF THE REV'D JAMES SHIRE** (streamed, and in person with registration)

Sun. Oct 25

TRINITY XX

In person Masses at 8:00, 11:00 am, and 4:00 pm Evensong

Streamed Mass at 9:30 am (not open to the public)

Sat. Oct 31

Daylight Saving Time Ends – set your clocks back one hour before bed



Sun. Nov 1

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Mon. Nov 2

ALL SOULS' DAY - Liturgies tba

Sun. Nov 8

TRINITY XXI – Preacher: Bishop Jenny Andison

Thurs. Nov 12

7:00 pm **Larkin Stuart Lecture**

Pre-Registration to attend Services: Please do this on Eventbrite via the parish website www.stthomas.on.ca or by calling the office at 416-979-2323 X 4.

Welcome to St Thomas's!

We are very grateful to all those who have worked so hard to prepare us for returning to public worship reverently and safely during Covid 19. Here are some guidelines:

**While some seating is kept free for unregistered visitors, those attending services in person are strongly encouraged to pre-register on Eventbrite via our website by 6 pm the evening before.*

**At liturgies open to the public, the congregation is not permitted to sing. Much of the mass will be said so that all may participate. Sung parts are restricted to the cantor and the priest.*

**The Collection plate will not be passed during the Service. Please place your donation in the plate located at the Registrar's table in the Narthex when you came in. It will also be available there at the end of the Service. Alternatively, please do consider donating by pre-authorized giving. Information is available on our website www.stthomas.on.ca*

**At the time of Holy Communion: Remain in your seat until invited by the sidespeople to move into the centre aisle. Follow the floor markings to maintain a safe distance. Stand in the marked space six feet from the priest when you arrive at the front pew to hear the words of administration "The Body of Christ given for thee", then come forward to the priest and extend your hands folded one upon the other; carefully enclose the Host in your hands and proceed to the table to the left or right near the pulpit or lectern. Those seated on the left side of the church (facing the altar) will move to the pulpit and those on the right to the lectern. Once there, remove your mask from one ear to consume the Host, replace your mask and sanitize your hands with the sanitizer provided on the table. Return to your seat by the side aisles. It is not permitted to receive on the tongue at this time.*

**If you need to use the washroom, please proceed to the one normally designated for women at the bottom of the stairs at the main entrance. There is no access to the Parish Hall. Only one person is allowed to use the washroom at a time. Maintain physical distance while waiting.*

**At the end of the Liturgy, during the organ voluntary, please remain seated. Sidespeople will invite people to leave, pew by pew, beginning with the back rows. Those wishing to remain to the end of the organ Postlude may do so.*

**While we would all love to be able to socialize after Church, it is not yet safe to do so. If you wish to greet friends afterwards, we ask that you move well away from the exit doors, so that others can get out of the building safely. While it is wonderful to be able to chat with each other outside the church after mass, please remember to wear a mask and keep your distance!*

**Thank you for your patience and understanding. In Christian charity, these protocols are meant to protect others as well as ourselves.*

THE BISHOP OF TORONTO'S FIRST VISIT TO ST THOMAS'S

We welcome the Rt Rev'd Andrew Asbil at 4:00 pm today as he ordains Deacon James Shire to the Sacred Order of Priests on behalf of the bishop of Hawaii. We regret that pandemic restrictions do not allow us to welcome him with the ceremonial customary to a diocesan's initial visit to one of his parishes - we will make up for it the next time you come, bishop!



TEMPERATURE IN THE CHURCH

Covid 19 guidelines recommend we keep a strong air flow in the building. They also forbid the use of our ceiling fans. The only way this is possible is to have the windows open during Mass for as long as the weather will permit. The furnace is now on, but there may be cold drafts in the building. Please dress in layers, if you are attending church in person.



LARKIN-STUART LECTURE 2020

We are delighted to announce that the Lecturer this year is the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, The Most Rev'd Michael Curry. The lecture will take place by videoconference on Thursday, November 12 at 7:00 pm. More details to follow.

