



**St. Matthew**  
**the Apostle, Oriole**  
Anglican Church

*Come. See. Journey.*

Third Sunday in Lent  
March 24th, 2019

**SUNDAY SERVICES**

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Choral Eucharist with Church School
5:00 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month November to June

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***“To Seek and Serve  
Christ in all persons”***

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**Third Sunday in Lent**  
**8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST (BAS)**  
**ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE - ORIOLE ANGLICAN CHURCH**

*We welcome you today to St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole Anglican Church. We follow the Order of Service in the green **Book of Alternative Services**, found in the pew, beginning on p. 230.*

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*Joshua 5:9-12*

*2 Corinthians 5:16-21*

*Psalm 32*

*Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32*

**Third Sunday in Lent**  
**10:00 a.m. CHORAL EUCHARIST (BAS)**

*We welcome you today to St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole Anglican Church. The entire service is printed in the bulletin with the exception of the hymns which are found in the blue Common Praise book in your pew. We offer a Nursery program for infants as well as a Sunday School program for toddlers and children during the service. Following the first hymn the children are invited to come forward for a talk about one of the Bible readings of the day. They then go out for Nursery (in the Welcome Room) or Sunday School (in the Fellowship Hall) for their own time of worship and learning and return just before communion. If your child would prefer to remain in the service they are most welcome. We also have activity bags available from the Sidespeople for the children's use during the service.*

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Prelude: "Whither shall I fly?" .....J. S. Bach  
Repent, says the Lord, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.....*Matthew 4.17*  
Introit: "We remember truth once spoken" ..... Marty Haugen  
Hymn: 533 "Jesus, Lover of my soul" .....ABERYSTWYTH  
Children's Talk..... Agnes

*Please stand. The celebrant greets the community*

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Kyrie Eleison**

**All: Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.  
Christe eleison. Christe eleison. Christe eleison.  
Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence for reflection is kept*

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY *(please stand)*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Father of mercy, alone we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves. When we are discouraged by our weakness, strengthen us to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### First Lesson: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah (55:1-9)

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do

not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 63:1-8 chant: George Black.....p. 783

**Refrain: My soul thirsts for you, O God, my God.**

**Second Lesson: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (10:1-13)**

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 171 "What does the Lord require" ..... SHARPTHORNE

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

*(Luke 13:1-9)*

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon: The Ven. Kyn Barker

**The Apostles' Creed** *(Please stand)*

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Prayers of the people as announced** *(Please stand, sit or kneel as you prefer and are able.)*

**The Peace** *(Please stand)*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Offertory Hymn: 560 "God, whose almighty word" .....MOSCOW

**THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS**

**Prayer Over The Gifts**

Celebrant: Gracious God, we know your power to triumph over weakness. May we who ask forgiveness be ready to forgive one another, in the name of Jesus the Lord. **Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because you bid your faithful people to cleanse their hearts and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer and more generous in the works of love. Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he



freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer** *(said)*

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant: We break this bread;

**All: Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Celebrant: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

**All: If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Those not receiving communion may wish to receive a blessing instead. To indicate this to the priest, please cross your hands over your chest. Communicants who do not wish to drink from the chalice should not dip the bread into the cup. Instead, after eating the bread, cross your hands over your chest as the chalice bearer passes by, or make a sign of reverence by gently touching the base of the chalice when it is presented to you. Those drinking from the chalice are asked to assist the chalice bearer by grasping it at the base and guiding it to their lips. Any children wishing to receive from the chalice are encouraged to stand to assist the chalice bearer.*

Communion Hymn: 541 "As long as the hart for flowing streams" ..... O WALY WALY

**Prayer after Communion** *(Please stand)*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of mercy and forgiveness, may we who share this sacrament live together in unity and peace, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BLESSING**

Recessional Hymn: 300 "Christ is made the sure foundation" .....WESTMINSTER ABBEY

### **DISMISSAL**

Archdeacon: Go in peace loving and serving the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: "Prelude and Fugue in E minor (The Little)" .....J. S. Bach

**CYCLE OF PRAYER**

World: The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui & the Bishop of Hong Kong Island  
Diocese: The bishop, people, and clergy of the Diocese of Montreal  
Deanery: St. John, Willowdale  
Parish: Families of *Chandalala, Cleverdon & Creighton*

**ASSISTING TODAY**

Sidespersons:	8:00 a.m.	Trevor Evans
	10:00 a.m.	Elan Seales Team
Readers:	8:00 a.m.	Shyamal Ray, Trevor Evans
	10:00 a.m.	Jane Couchman, Bill Found
Intercessor:	8:00 a.m.	Pat Evans
	10:00 a.m.	Jane Couchman
Chalice:	8:00 a.m.	TBA
	10:00 a.m.	Kakra Winful
Altar Guild:		Joy Walker, Mary Fox

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**Isaiah 55:1-9**

Isaiah 55 is the concluding chapter of the portion of Isaiah often referred to as Second Isaiah, the work of the great poet and visionary of the Babylonian captivity sometimes called Isaiah of Babylon. Isaiah's themes of the return and restoration of God's people from exile are filled out by the promise of a radically new and different world economy—one in which everyone will have food as they need it “without money and without price.” God promises to renew the covenant with David's house, and promises forgiveness and restoration to all who repent and turn their lives around. God's promises and work are compared in the final part of the chapter to the cycles of nature: as water falls from heaven and makes things grow to feed the creatures of earth in an inevitable way, so God's word and intentions cannot help but come to fruition.

[Dr. Walter Deller/2019]  
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<b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b>		
Wednesdays	10:00 – 11:30 a.m.	Weekly Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Study and Discussion Group
<b>March</b>		
Today	After the 10:00 a.m. service.	Growing Healthy Stewards Meeting
Tuesday, 26 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.	Sponsorship Group Meeting
Thursday, 28 <sup>th</sup>	7:00p.m.	Men's Night at Windfield's Restaurant, 801 York Mills Rd. Contact Dennis Chalmers (416) 502-3145
Sunday, 31 <sup>st</sup>	7:30 p.m.	Organ Recital by David Braund
<b>April</b>		
Saturday April 13 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Children's Holy Week and Easter Activity Day (details below)
Sunday, 28 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 p.m.	Organ Recital by David Braund

### **Holy Week and Easter Activity Day**

Children and their parents/grandparents are invited to join us for this year's Holy Week and Easter Activity Day on **Saturday April 13th**. In addition to the usual activities and crafts we will also be having a short worship time together followed by pizza lunch. We will begin with a Welcome Time at 9:15 a.m., then from 9:30-11:00 a.m. we will hear the Holy Week Story and do a number of crafts to remind us of Jesus' last week leading up to his death and resurrection. At 11:00 am we will have a Celebration Time – a short time of worship with music, sharing some of our crafts and prayers. Then we'll wrap things up with a pizza lunch at 11:30 am. In order to plan for the day, please let Rev. Lisa know if you and your children/grandchildren are able to attend by Friday April 5<sup>th</sup>. Family, friends and neighbours are always welcome too!

*Thanks to Nia, Christopher and Nevaeh for helping to change the colour to purple on our Church School bulletin boards.*

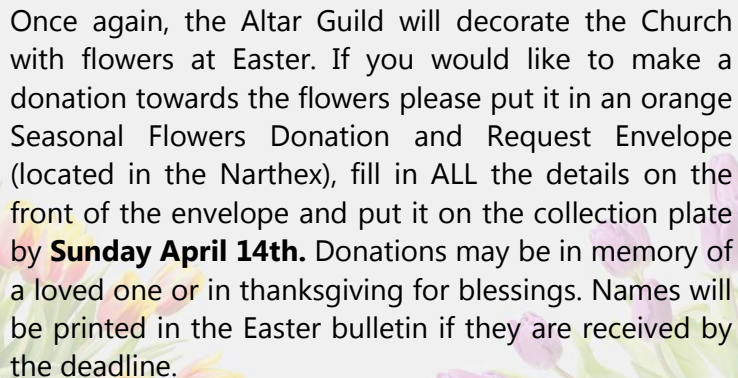
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## BETTER LIVING @ ST. MATTHEW

Better Living Health and Community Services has been delivering community support services in the Don Mills area since 1976. We are committed to our mission by helping adults and seniors, at all stages, experience a better quality of life. We offer a broad range of programs and services which support independence to experience a better quality of life. To find out more about what programs we offer and which ones you'd be interested in being offered locally, join us for an information session on **Thursday April 4th at 1:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall

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### EASTER FLOWERS



Once again, the Altar Guild will decorate the Church with flowers at Easter. If you would like to make a donation towards the flowers please put it in an orange Seasonal Flowers Donation and Request Envelope (located in the Narthex), fill in ALL the details on the front of the envelope and put it on the collection plate by **Sunday April 14th**. Donations may be in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for blessings. Names will be printed in the Easter bulletin if they are received by the deadline.

**EASTER EGG HUNT:** After the 10:00 a.m. **Easter Sunday Service on April 21.** Once again we will be having an Easter Egg Hunt for the children. In order to offset some of the cost for the Easter bunny, we are gratefully receiving financial donations towards this event. If you would like to make a contribution please designate it as "Easter Egg Hunt" on the envelope/cheque. Monies received will be used to purchase a variety of chocolate eggs, Resurrection eggs (plastic eggs with a jube-jube and Easter message inside) and baskets for the children to collect their eggs in.

## Financials at the end of February 2019

	2019	2019 Budget	Variance
<b>Beginning of Year</b>	\$11,445	\$11,445	\$0
<b>Income</b>	\$28,230	\$36,159	(\$7,930)
Open Offerings	\$155	\$416	(\$261)
<b>Main</b>			
<b>Lines</b> Envelope Giving	\$17,784	\$24,106	(\$6,322)
On-line Giving	\$0	\$166	(\$166)
Licensing	\$8,164	\$8,084	\$80
Fundraising	\$449	\$1,583	(\$1,135)
<b>Expenses</b>	\$41,146	\$39,011	(\$2,146)
Personnel Costs	\$19,843	\$19,734	(\$109)
<b>Main</b>			
<b>Lines</b> Church Maintenance	\$4,204	\$3,272	(\$932)
Church Utilities	\$3,144	\$2,650	(\$494)
<b>Overall at end of February 2019</b>	<b>(\$1,483)</b>	<b>\$8,593</b>	<b>(\$7,110)</b>

As you can see from the summary, at the end of February there is a deficit of -\$1483. This is primarily due to a lag in envelope givings. The weather in February in particular made it very challenging for people to come to church which may account for the drop in givings. We hope this will self-correct as spring arrives, and hopefully with it some warmer weather. Our expenses are also slightly over budget, specifically in the area of church maintenance, due to the high salting costs for the parking lot in February. For those interested, Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) is one way you can ensure your financial support of St. Matthew's remains consistent, even when you can't physically get to church. Those interested should speak to Janice Sanders, our envelope secretary, for more information or to get the PAR form to fill out. On-line giving through Canada Helps is also another option.

## Capital Campaign

As you can see, our capital campaign is off to a great start. A heartfelt thank you!

*Just a quick note:*

When payments to the campaign are made in the offertory envelopes, please indicate that your donation is for the "Campaign" either on the **Building** line, or the **Other** line along with the amount.

If using a Pew envelope to donate, please clearly write "Campaign" on the front, along with the amount.

**We can do it!**



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## **RECTOR'S CONTACT INFORMATION**

Rev. Lisa's Sabbath day is Mondays. Rev. Lisa's office hours are generally 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Tuesdays – Thursdays at the church. Fridays are a home office day for sermon preparation. She may be reached through the church office at 416-494-7020 ext. 2 or at 416-756-9130 outside of office hours.

## **CHURCH ASSISTANT'S OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday: 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

## **Parish Officers**

Rector's Warden	Valerie Seales
Peoples' Warden	Margaret Allen
Deputy Wardens	Norma Walker Roberts
	Kakra Winful
Office/Rentals	Donna Lam
Treasurer/Bookkeeper	Sandra Lumb
Envelope Secretary	Janice Sanders
Sidespeople 8:00	Trevor Evans
10:00	Valerie Seales
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	Gwynne Barker
	Robbie Roberts
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