

### What's happening this week...

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| Mar. 18, 2018 | 8:00 pm | Evening Prayer                 |
| Mar. 20, 2018 | 9:00 am | Morning Prayer                 |
|               | 9:30am  | Holy Eucharist and Bible Study |
|               | 8:00pm  | Evening Prayer                 |
| Mar. 22, 2018 | 6:30 pm | Alpha Course                   |
| Mar. 23, 2018 | 9:00am  | Morning Prayer                 |

### In our prayers...

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui The Most Revd Paul Kwong Archbishop of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui & Bishop of Hong Kong Island.

**In the Anglican Church of Canada**, we pray our Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, for our Metropolitan, Archbishop Colin Johnson, for our Diocesan Bishop, Anne; for our Archdeacon, Glen, and for our parish clergy Fr Aidan, Fr. Bob, & Fr. Jeff.

**In the Diocese of Algoma**, we pray for the Parishes of Manitoulin Island and the Rev. Doug Prebble and Rev. Bain Peever (Hon.).

**We pray for the members of the ARK Refugee Steering Committee** as they help Manar settle into her new home.

**We pray for** the following people for God's continued healing and strength during the coming week, especially Nancy Turner, Diane, Linda, Richard, George, Derald Balson, Dan Turner, Barbara Blanchard, Inge, Priscilla Allurut, Canon Michael & Muriel Hankinson, Theresa Kuehl (Megan's grandma), Brandon, Heather Kennedy, Donna Barnes, Daryl Keen, Donna, and Carol, Viren, Lil Bowman, Irene Ginson-Fiss, Julie, Karrie, Joyce and Gary Costello, George Hunt, Spruce, Tamara, Jim Hunter, Peter, Eddy, Lucette, Caleb, Nancy, Elaine, Marshall McCulloch, Gordie Barnes

**We pray for the repose of the soul** of Glenn Lloyd, may he rest in peace and rise in glory.

**We pray for those** who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes, or who find it difficult to join us for church on Sundays; Milt Fleming, Margaret Villeneuve, Velma Tansley, Karin Hoffman, Laurent Constantineau, Bessie Morgan. May they always feel God's presence in their lives.

**In our parish** we pray for our wardens and leaders and in our parish family, we pray for Jim & Gisele Gibson, Irene Gilchrist, Irene Ginson-Fiss and their families.

**We pray** for those who are caregivers to sick and frail loved ones. We pray that the God of love will surround them with people to look after them and grant them rest.



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### March 18, 2018

*"As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience...Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony." (Colossians 3:12, 14)*

Bishop Anne's Motto for 2018

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| <b>Holy Eucharist:</b> | Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am Wednesday 9:30 am |
| <b>Morning Prayer:</b> | Wednesday 9:00 am and Friday 9:00 am        |
| <b>Evening Prayer:</b> | Wednesday 8:00 pm and Sunday 8:00 pm        |
| <b>Messy Church:</b>   | 1st Wednesday of the month at 4:30 pm       |

### Welcome to our worship!

It is good to have you here with us today. If you are visiting the Church of the Ascension for the first time, please know that the Anglican Church teaches that all who are baptized in any Christian tradition are welcome to receive the sacrament at the time of communion.

### Fifth Sunday in Lent

9:00 am & 11:00 am Holy Eucharist

### Processional # 444

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**First Lesson** Jeremiah 31:31-34

**Psalm** 51:1-13

**Second Lesson** Hebrews 5:5-10

**Gradual # 604**

**Holy Gospel** John 12:20-33

**Offertory # 615**

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**Recessional # 176**

**The flowers today** are given to the glory of God in memory of Dennis Dionne and Ruth and Pete Manning by Cathy Dionne.

### Parish Directory

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|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Rector:</b>          | The Rev Aidan Armstrong             | (519) 878-2035 |
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**Fifth SUNDAY IN LENT**  
Sunday, March 18th, 2018

**Collect**

Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**First Reading**

*A reading from the Book of Jeremiah (Jeremiah 31:31-34)*

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

**Psalm (51:1-13)**

**REFRAIN (R)** Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offences. Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin. **R**

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. **R**

And so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgement. Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, a sinner from my mother's womb. **R**

For behold, you look for truth deep within me, and will make me understand wisdom secretly. Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me, and I shall be clean indeed. **R**

Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the body you have broken may rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities. **R**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy Spirit from me.

Give me the joy of your saving help again and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit. **R**

**Second Reading**

*A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (Hebrews 5:5-10)*

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

**Gospel**

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (John 12:20-33)*

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

**Prayer over the Gifts**

Eternal God, your only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**Prayer After Communion**

Merciful God, you have called us to your table and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all people to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.