



Stratford Anglican Ministries
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Sunday March 22, 2026
9:30 am

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The Right Reverend Dr. Todd Townshend, Bishop of Huron
The Venerable Rob Lemon, Rector
The Venerable Tanya Phibbs, Associate Rector
The Reverend Canon Tom Patterson, Deacon
The Reverend Stephanie Donaldson, Deacon
The Reverend Diana Boland, Vicar
The Reverend Tianna Gocan, Curate
Ian Sadler, Organist and Director of Music
Neil F. Young, Contemporary Musician

NOTICES FOR MARCH 22nd

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God with loving memories of:

~ **Reta & Spencer Doherty**~

on their Wedding Anniversary.

From: Pat & Dick Martin, Tory, Robyn,
Wendy and their families.

Join us today for the

“Holy Trinity Ministry Fair”

At 10:30-11:00 a.m. & 12:15-1:30 p.m.

in the Lower Hall.

Get to know more about the various
Ministries offered at Holy Trinity!

Today at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary:

**“Choral Evensong” Sung by Holy
Saviour, Waterloo.**

All are welcome – Free Will Offering

Easter Memorial Flowers - 2026

Parishioners wishing to donate towards the 2026
Easter Memorial Altar Flowers may contact either:

*Susan LeBrun at: Bermuda.david@outlook.com

*Kelly Strasler at: office@holytrinitystratford.ca

*Or call the office at 519-271-3572

**Please provide your dedication, and the amount
you wish to contribute by Monday March 27th.**

Lent 5 – Veiling of the Crosses

Every year on the 5th Sunday of Lent we veil the crosses in the church. This is because it marks a shift in the season of Lent where we go from focusing on repentance and faithful discipline, to walking with Christ through the last days of his life. Every cross in the church is a sign of the resurrection and, while we know that the resurrection is where the path ahead of us leads, it is important for us to remain with Christ through it all so that we know all that he endured to bring salvation and new life to us. Veiling the crosses is a visible way to remind us not to skip ahead to Easter, but to walk with Christ even as he heads back toward danger to raise his friend Lazarus from the dead, to enter Jerusalem, to sit at the last supper table, to head out to Gethsemane, to stumble into the room before Pontius Pilate, to stagger under the weight of the cross on the way to Golgotha, and finally to be placed in the tomb. When we walk all the way with Christ it makes our celebration all the richer and more joyful.

Lenten Series: Our Final Night!

This Wednesday will be the final night of our Lenten Series the *Difference Course*, developed by the Church of England to cross divides, navigate disagreement and pursue a just and flourishing world. We will first gather for dinner and fellowship followed by the course. Join us at 5:30pm on Wednesday March 25th to learn how we can make a difference!

Gift Cards for Sale - Proceeds to Holy Trinity Foodbanks

HART is selling gift cards and proceeds are going to both food banks. You get what you pay, as example, a \$50.00 card for No Frills, is worth \$50.00. They will be sold every 2 months. Order and e-transfer Sent to Deb Moon by email at debmoon@rogers.com. First order is due April 5th. If you are interested Deb can send you a list of businesses and the value of the cards available. These can be used by yourself or as gifts. Get your order in! This is a simple way for you to support the food banks!

Food Bank Wish List

A lot of people love jam on their toast, and the Tuesday Food Bank is almost out of it. We'd love to receive small and medium jars of jam.

Stratford Music and Art Sale: Upper and Lower Halls on Saturday, March 28, 2026, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Art for Sale by over 20 Local and Regional Artists. Join us and enjoy! Come and support the Fundraiser.

Music:

Stratford District Secondary School: Jazz Combo

Our Parish Musicians: Peter Ryde, Mike Ryan and Neil F. Young.

Freewill Donations as entry to event and **20% from all Art Sales** as donations for the Tuesday and Friday Food Banks.

Maundy Thursday

On Maundy Thursday, Walk the Labyrinth at **The Watch Overnight Vigil**. Please sign up at the back of the church. Contact: Mark Allwood.

Good Friday Service - April 3rd

Join us for an interactive, all-ages Good Friday Service at 9am on Good Friday. Progressing from station to station, we will engage in a variety of activities as we follow Jesus to the cross.

ACW Annual Meeting - April 25th 2026

If you are interested in attending this year's ACW Annual Meeting at the Church of Ascension in London - please register by April 6th. Registration forms are available in the Narthex or in the Holy Trinity Parish Office.

Upcoming Readings – Sunday March 29th

Isaiah 50: 4-9a

Matthew 26: 14—27:66

Psalms 31: 9-16

Chancel Team #1

Philippians 2: 5-11

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar. 22 - *Ministry Fair at 10:30-11:00 a.m. & 12:15-1:30p.m. in the Lower Hall
*Evensong sung by Holy Saviour, Waterloo at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Mar. 24 - *Breakfast Club from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street
*Holy Trinity Community Food Bank from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Upper Hall
*Truth & Reconciliation Book Club at 7:00 p.m. via ZOOM
- Mar. 25 - *Wednesday Morning BCP Service at 10:00 a.m.
*Chimes Concert at 12:00 p.m.
*Christian Meditation at 4:30 p.m. in the Nave
*Lenten Series at 5:30 p.m. in the Lower Hall
*English Conversation Café at 6:30 p.m. at the YMCA
- Mar. 26 - *Breakfast Club from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street
*Celtic Worship Service on ZOOM at 10:00 a.m.
*Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Mar. 27 - *Treasure Hunt Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in the Club Room
*Friday Food Bank from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street
*The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation at 12 p.m.
- Mar. 28 - *Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nave
*Music & Art Sale from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Upper & Lower Halls
- Mar. 29 - *Holy Communion BCP Service at 8:00 a.m.
*Contemporary Holy Eucharist Service at 9:30 a.m.
*Choral Holy Eucharist BAS Service at 11:00 a.m.
* Fauré ‘Requiem Rehearsal at 2:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Holy Trinity Stratford Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday March 29th

8:00 AM BCP Eucharist
9:30 AM Contemporary
Eucharist with Palm
Procession
11:00am AM Choral
Eucharist with Palm
Procession

Holy Monday March 30th

7:00 PM Said Eucharist

Holy Tuesday March 31st

7:00 PM Said Eucharist

Holy Wednesday April 1st

10:00 AM Said Eucharist
7:00 PM Said Eucharist

Maundy Thursday April 2nd

7:00 PM Choral Eucharist
with the washing of feet
and Stripping the Altar
9:00 PM-6:00 AM
The Watch Overnight Vigil

Good Friday April 3rd

9:00 AM Interactive
Stations of the Cross
10:30 AM Solemn Liturgy
and Meditation on the Cross

Holy Saturday April 4th

7:00 PM The Great Vigil
of Easter

Easter Sunday April 5th

8:00 AM BCP Eucharist
9:30 AM Contemporary
Eucharist
11:00am AM Choral Eucharist



Coffee in the Club Room

At Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 41 Mornington St., Stratford

(Formerly St. James, St. Pauls, St. Stephens) 

Enter by glass doors or accessible ramp off Hamilton St., or office entrance at east end of building.



Wednesday, March 25, 10:30 am to noon

NO AGENDA! / Social only

Pop in or sit awhile.

Socialize or go for a quiet stroll in the church.



Coffee, tea, juice, water, and a wee sweet provided.



Bring your own mug, if you like, but some will be available.

Feel free to bring a neighbour, or a Shut In.

Questions? Email or text Karen Hunt Mitchell at

519-703-1519, carinalamama@gmail.com

Share this invitation with anyone who might benefit

from getting together with other folks.

If you do not have a ride, invite someone who will drive you.

STRATFORD MUSIC & ART SALE

(Formerly known as Music & Art at St. James)

WHEN

**Saturday,
March 28, 2026
10am – 4pm**

WHERE

**Anglican Church
6 Hamilton St.
Stratford**

FEATURING

- SDSS jazz combo - directed by Kelsey Regier
- N. F. Young
- Peter Ryde – bell chimer
- Mike Ryan
- and more...

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