

St Mark's, Niagara-on-the-Lake January 2018



**Wishing you more than you can imagine of
creativity, festivity, ministry
and a happy new year.**

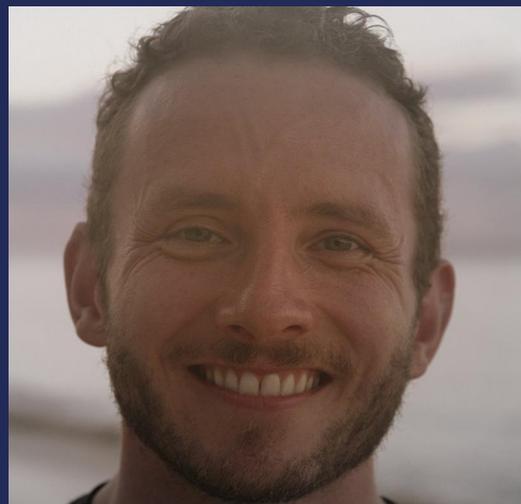
*All of us at St Mark's thank you for your generosity and
support in 2017, our 225th Anniversary Year*

*Now as we begin the Season of Epiphany we continue to look for light in dark
places, seek wise ones to lead, and follow as disciples of Jesus we are called to
new ministry. Our January calendar is getting full with opportunities for
participation in our community of faith.*

Welcome Jim Bourne - Our new Music Director

The Rector and Wardens are pleased to announce that Jim will begin his new ministry here with us beginning March 1. He comes to us from Leaside Presbyterian Church in Toronto where he has been Music Director for 15 years, as well as his position as accompanist with Toronto Mendelssohn Choir. Jim's experience in and love of Anglican choral tradition is remarkable as is his full range of musical talents including jazz, opera and musical theatre. More information in the months ahead.

Thanks to Janet Partridge for agreeing to fill in with the choir and hymns for the next two months!



Epiphany Services - Let your Light Shine

January 7 Epiphany I 8:30 and 1030 services with the Wise Men and welcome all to sherry and coffee after the 1030

Wednesday January 10

at 8 am Men's Communion and breakfast

at 10 am Wednesday weekly Communion service in Chapel resumes

Sunday January 14 Epiphany II Services at 8:30 and 1030

Sunday January 21 Epiphany III

With Special Vestry Meeting to follow at 12 noon

Sunday January 28 Epiphany IV

830 Holy Communion

1030 Lessons and Carols for Epiphany - under the direction of Janet Partridge



Lay Delegates to Elect a new Bishop



St Mark's will send two lay delegates with the Rector

to elect a new Bishop for the Diocese of Niagara - a vote that will take place on Saturday March 3 at Christ Church Cathedral Hamilton. For detailed information on candidates and the process for electing our new Bishop [*continue reading here:*](#)

Special vestry meeting Sunday

January 21st to elect our two delegates, as well as two alternate delegates - four positions total. Several have expressed interest in representing St. Mark's and participating in this fascinating process and historic vote. If you are interested please speak to the Rector in the next two weeks as we will follow the diocesan

process for electing our lay delegates.

Tuesday January 15

Finance Committee meets at 5 pm and Parish Council at 7 pm to review 2017 financials

Rector's Zacchaeus Visits This Epiphany

As he did last year, William, the Rector will devote ten hours a week at least through the six weeks of Epiphany to visit parishioners in their homes, as Jesus came to Zacchaeus' home in Luke's Gospel

The scheduled times for these weekly Zacchaeus visits are:

Tuesdays 2 pm, 4 pm and 7:30 pm

Wednesdays 2 pm, 4 pm and 7:30 pm

Thursdays 2 pm and 4 pm

Fridays 2 pm and 4 pm

Call William at the Rectory (905 468 9497) or email (william@williamroberts.ca) to arrange a time for a visit, and he will be calling out as well, particularly to those he has not yet had the pleasure of meeting.

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Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9 am-3 pm; Wed 9 am-12 noon