



# St. Matthew's Anglican Church



"We are called to share God's love as we welcome and care for our community."

## *Address:*

St. Matthew's Anglican Church  
1600 Norfolk St.  
Windsor, Ontario  
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## *Sunday Services*

8:00 am said Holy Eucharist  
10:00 am Holy Eucharist  
with the Choir

Fellowship Hour to follow

## *Weekday Services*

Wednesdays in Lent 11:30 am

**The Rev'd Gilles Haché** is  
in office by appointment.

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# The Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026



**Rector:** The Reverend Gilles Haché

**Liturgical Musician:** Michael Ricketts

**Lay Reader:** Nadine Donlon

"With gratitude for all stewards of the land, past, present and future, we acknowledge that the St. Matthew's community gathers on the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, which includes the Ojibwa – keepers of the faith; the Odawa – keepers of trade; and the Potawatomie – keepers of the fire."

***Please Note: Free-will offerings may be placed in the collection plate at the rear of the church.***

Prelude: Voluntary in E Minor (J. Stanley)  
Processional: New Every Morning Is the Love Blue Book #7  
(verses 1, 2, 3, & 4)

*The Gathering of the Community*

Green Book p. 185

Lord Have Mercy and Absolution

Collect of the Day Green Book p. 288

*The Proclamation of the Word*

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4

Psalm: # 121 Green Book p. 882

**Refrain: The Most Holy One watches over you.**

Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

The Gospel: John 3:1-17

Homily

Anthem: God So Loved the World (E. Englert)

The Apostles' Creed Green Book p.189

Prayers of the People **Response: Lord, hear our prayer**

The Peace

*The Celebration of the Eucharist*

Offertory: O God, Beyond All Face and Form Blue Book #412

Prayer Over the Gifts Green Book p. 289

**Eucharistic Prayer #3 Green Book p. 198**

The Lord's Prayer Green Book p. 211

The Breaking of the Bread #7 Green Book p. 212

Communion Procession: Take, O Take Me as I Am (Bell/Alonso/Huck)  
Prayer After Communion Green Book p. 289  
Doxology Green Book p. 214  
Recessional Hymn: Lift High the Cross Blue Book #602 (verses 1, 4, & 5)  
Postlude: Rondo (H. Purcell)

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**Welcome visitors** – we are blessed you are with us. Please let us know how we can serve you. If you desire, there are “Visitor’s envelopes” on the table at the back.

**Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:**

**Cantors:** John Rossi, Danielle Richer, Beth Felet  
**Lectors:** Kyle Reeves, Jayne Flammia **Intercessor:** Nadine Donlon  
**Communion Ministers:** Danny Yascheshyn, Rod Reid  
**Collection Supervisor:** Roger Wurdemann  
**Sidespersons:** Gail Yascheshyn, Gail Henderson  
**Church Nurse (by appointment):** Mary Louise Drake  
**Marlborough School Breakfast: Cooks:** Rev'd Cathy MacKendrick,  
Mark Goldspink, Jean Muhleisen. **Muffins:** Patty Paraschak.

**Next Sunday's Readings, March 8, 2026** – Exodus 17:1-7; Ps 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42.

**Lent Newsletter** – Hard copies are available at the back, or download full-colour PDF file at <http://www.saintmatthewswindsor.ca>.

**Soup lunches for Sundays in Lent** – Sign up for: donations of a pot of soup or bread and butter, to prepare hot beverages, or set up and cleaning. And join us for soup during fellowship time after the 10 am service, every Sunday in Lent. Free-will offerings in support of Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF.)

**TNT Night** - Friday, March 6, starting at 5:30 pm at Cramdon's Restaurant (2950 Dougall Ave.) Come for dinner, or just drinks, or for a good conversation and fellowship.

**Community Breakfast** - Tuesday, March 10, at 9 am in the church hall. Free-will donations gratefully accepted. Everyone is welcome!

In our faith we need to be reminded that God’s promises do not depend on our perfection, our accomplishments, or our ability to “earn” His love. St. Paul gives us that reminder today through the story of Abraham. Before Abraham ever did anything great, before he became a father, a leader, or a model of faith, he simply trusted God. This message speaks beautifully to our mission here at St. Matthew’s: “We are called to share God’s love as we welcome and care for our community.” Like Abraham, we are invited to trust that God is already at work in us and through us. Our mission flows not from our achievements, but from God’s grace. When we welcome others, when we care for our neighbours, when we share God’s love in simple, everyday ways, we are participating in the same promise that shaped Abraham’s life. Lent is a season that calls us back to this kind of trust. It invites us to loosen our grip on self-reliance and open our hearts to the quiet work of grace. As we continue our Lenten journey, may we, like Abraham, dare to trust in God’s promise. And may that trust strengthen our mission as a parish: to welcome, to care, and to share God’s love generously with all who cross our path.

**Objectives for Our Parish This Week:**

- To deepen our trust in God’s presence and guidance
- To recognize where God is already working in our parish community
- To live our mission through simple acts of welcome and care
- To let grace, not fear or self-doubt; shape our decisions

**Blessings to you and yours,**

**Gilles+**

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