# All Saints' Anglican Church

248 Vidal St. N., Sarnia (519) 344-5167 March 17 – 23, 2025

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# As you prepare for worship... Lent 2C

**Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18:** At age 75 (imagine!) God has called on Abram (with his wife Sarai, some of their family and workers) to leave their land and kin for a land that God will show them. In our reading today, God promised that Abram and Sarai would have descendants as numerous "as the stars of heaven" and God gave them the land on which they stood. God made a covenant with Abram, and since all the onus is on God, only He (represented by fire) passed through the halved sacrifice. **Philippians 3:17-4:1:** Writing from prison, Paul encouraged the Christians in Philippi to imitate him, rather than those he called "enemies" of the cross of Christ. It is supposed these are Christians who keep the Jewish dietary laws (from which Christ's cross sets us free) – "their god is the belly" and they "glory" in their "shame" (perhaps a reference to circumcision?). "Stand firm," he wrote, against these misquided Church members!

**Luke 9:28b-36:** Jesus has predicted his suffering, death and resurrection to his disciples. Now he takes Peter and James and John (those closest to him) up a mountain to pray (it is always a good idea to sit in God's presence before facing anything momentous!). While praying, Jesus' face changed and his clothes become "dazzling white" (signifying a transcended state). Moses (the Law) and Elijah (the prophets) appeared and spoke privately with Jesus. Like at his baptism, a cloud overshadowed the scene and a voice was heard affirming Jesus' status and commanding all to listen to him. The disciples, now speechless, do not tell anyone about these events until much later.

Next week's readings: Isaiah 55:1-9; 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12; Luke 13:1-9

### **Activities this Week**

Mar 17	Monday
	1:30 pm – ACW meets, Parish House
	7:00 pm—Group Meeting, Basement
Mar 18	Tuesday

7:00 pm – Bluewater Chordsmen, Parish Hall

Mar 19 Wednesday
10:00 am – Bible Study, Rectory
7:00 pm – Bible Study, Rectory

Mar 20 Thursday 10:30 am – Wardens meet, Rectory

3:00 pm – Choir Practice

Friday

**Mar 21** 8:00 pm – Group Meeting, Parish Hall

Sunday (Joint)

Mar 23 8:00 am – Holy Eucharist BAS 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist BAS

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

## PLEASE NOTE \*\*

(Every Tuesday, 11 am Walking Group meeting at the Animal Farm parking lot with a 12:15 pm Lunch. This week TBA.

(Every Wednesday, 10 am & 7 pm - Bible Study at the Rectory.

Mar 17	1:30 pm – ACW meets, Parish House
Mar 28	5 pm – The Slice, TBA
	6 pm – Hymn Sing
Apr 11	7 pm – Creative Word, Rectory
Apr 17	7 pm – Maundy Thursday
Apr 18	12 noon - Good Friday
Apr 19	6:30 pm – Easter Vigil
Apr 14	1:30 pm – Bible Crossword, Rectory
Apr 21	7 pm – ACW meets, Parish House

**Anglican Church Women's Annual Meeting & Luncheon** Saturday, 26 April 2025 Held @ the Church of the Ascension, London

(See the bulletin board for more information)

Valerie will be away from the office February 19 – March 19. During that time office hours will be Wednesday & Fridays 10 am - 12 pm.

### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Tuesday - Friday: 9am-1pm. Steve Harnadek - Tues - Fri: 10 am - 12 Noon

(Day off: Mon) (These are estimated times and do fluctuate, depending on circumstances. It is best to call first.