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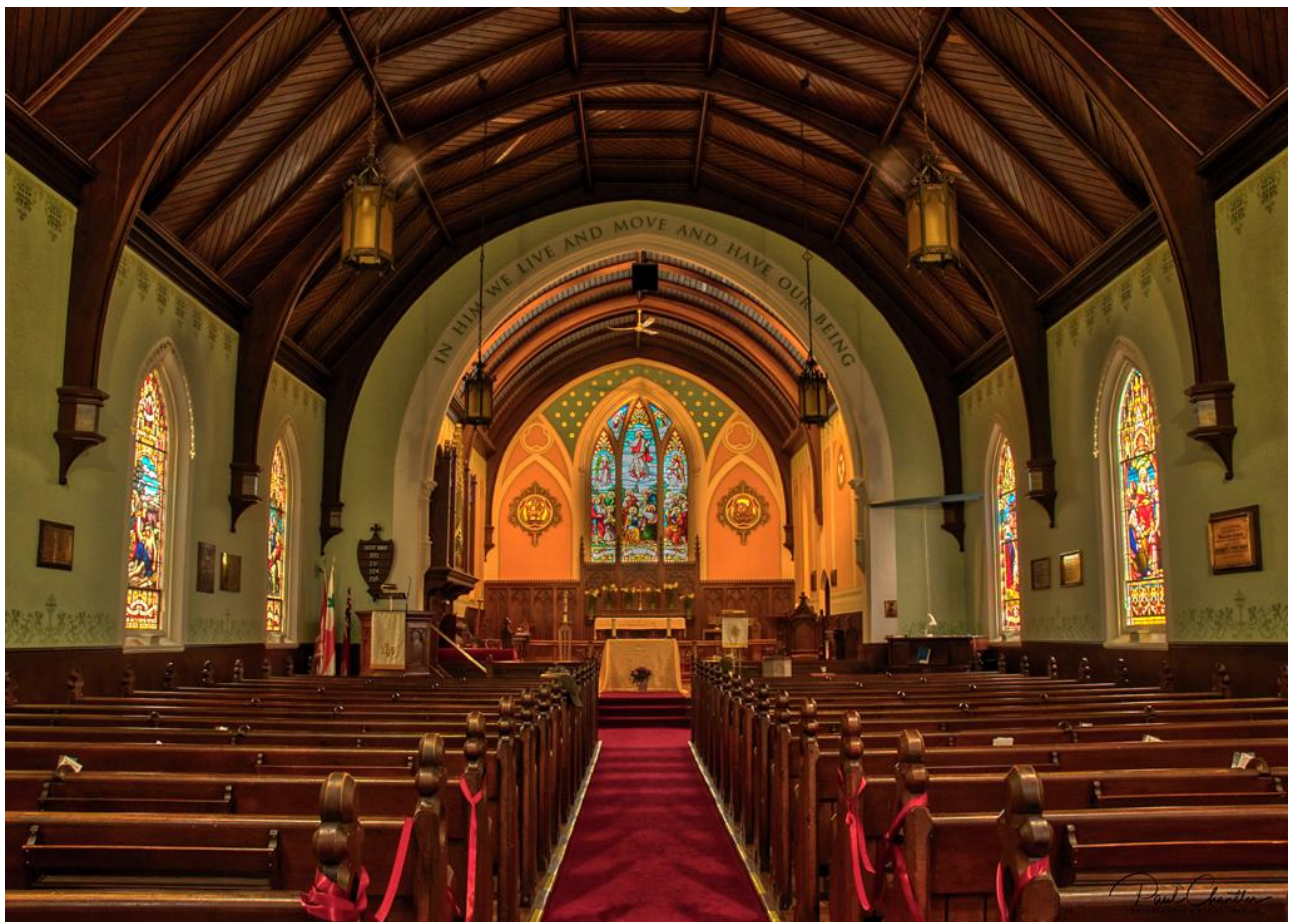


Photo: Paul Chantler

Services of Worship at St Thomas' Church every Sunday at 10.30 am

September 3rd	Morning Prayer--last Sunday at the Marsh
September 10th	Holy Eucharist--back at St Thomas'
September 17th	Morning Prayer
September 24th	Holy Eucharist--Canon Susan Sheen, Celebrant
October 1st	Morning Prayer--followed by lunch & Adv Bd
October 8th -- Thanksgiving	Holy Eucharist--no coffee hour after church
October 15th	Morning Prayer
October 22nd	Holy Eucharist
October 29th	Holy Eucharist--All Saints' (transferred)
November 5th -- Legion present	Morning Prayer--followed by lunch & Adv Bd
November 12th	Holy Eucharist--All Souls' commemoration
November 19th	Morning Prayer
November 26th	Holy Eucharist--Feast of Christ the King
December 3rd	Holy Eucharist--Advent Sunday

The last "Pew & 'Cue" barbecue gathering of the summer season will take place at the French's farm, 1031 Zion Line, on Tuesday, August 29th, at 6 pm. Please bring a salad/side dish or dessert, a beverage of choice, your own plates and cutlery, and a lawn chair. A small monetary donation is asked to assist the host with the cost of the meat. All are welcome! Please call Sue French for more information (705-932-5380)

The Blessing & Dedication of the new roof at Trinity-the-Marsh will take place on Sunday, September 3rd, followed by a sandwich luncheon. The cost of the roof has been entirely covered by the Challice family and is given in thanksgiving for the life of Marilyn Challice, a long-time parishioner.

Journeys Outreach group normally meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the parish hall. The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, September 13th. All are welcome to attend and participate in these meetings. For more information, please speak to the Chairperson, Lianne Landry (705-808-1954).

St Thomas' ACW (Anglican Church Women) meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 2 pm (except July & August). All women in the congregation are encouraged and welcome to attend ACW meetings. For more information on the work of the ACW in our parish and diocese, and the location of the next meeting, please call Gail Neiman at the parish office.

The Primate's World Relief & Development Fund is actively assisting those affected by the on-going devastation of wildfires in Canada--more information and a donation portal can be found at: <https://pwrdf.org/pwrdf-launches-in-canada-emergency-response-fund/>

Calling all Singers!



St Thomas' monthly Sing-Along will resume on Wednesday, September 27th, at 7 pm in the church , followed by coffee/tea/conversation in the parish hall.

Focus this month: The music of the late, great Gordon Lightfoot.

All welcome!!!! Just bring yourself and your voice! The aim is to have fun!

For more information please contact Rhonda Smith at:

rhondasmithbes@nexicom.net

Some interest has been expressed in starting a monthly or bi-monthly Bible study or "religious studies" (broadly interpreted) book club. Please speak to Rob Ross if you are interested and also suggest books or topics. This would probably occur on a mutually agreeable weeknight evening, and could be a mixture of in-person and Zoom sessions, depending on the time of year. We would be looking at an October start-up at the earliest.

TOPS - "Take Off Pounds Sensibly" meets in our parish hall every Thursday evening throughout the year. New members are always welcome! For more information, please call the Coordinator, Mrs Lou Bomhof, at 705-944-5422. For more information on TOPS please go to: <https://www.tops.org/tops/tops/canada/home.aspx>

St Thomas' Roof Fund update: Many, many thanks to all who have donated help cover the cost (approximately \$40,000) for the new roof for St Thomas'! If you wish your donation to be given as a memorial, and you would like the name(s) of the deceased person(s) to appear in the memorial book at the back of the church, please contact the Priest-in-Charge who will ensure this information is inscribed in the book. Donations to the Roof Fund are still needed and will be gratefully received at any time! Please make cheques out to "St Thomas' Church" with "Roof Fund" on the memo line. Charitable donation receipts will be issued

The Parish Office

is normally open Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 9 am - 11.30 am

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Telephone messages and emails are answered only during office hours.

For pastoral emergencies or any time-sensitive matter, please call the Priest-in-Charge at home at 705-932-1231.

In addition, you may leave a message on his cell phone voicemail (705-313-9002).

He will attempt to return urgent messages as soon as possible.

Financial contributions may be made to St Thomas' in the following ways:

- *By using offering envelopes when you attend Sunday services. Please leave your envelope on the large collection plate near the entrance of the church (a collection is no longer taken up during the service). Please be sure your name and/or envelope number (if you know it) is written on the envelope. If you need offering envelopes, just ask!*
- *By regular mail addressed to St Thomas' Anglican Church, P. O. Box 187, Millbrook, Ontario, L0A 1G0. Please be sure to include the post office box number on the envelope - not just the street address - when sending items by mail. Cheques only please - made out to St Thomas' Church. Post-dated cheques, for future contribution periods, would be welcome and very much appreciated.*
- *By e-transfer from your bank account. Please call Gail Neiman during parish office hours (705-932-2233) or email her at cavmanparish@nexicom.net to arrange this. It is quick and easy to do!*
- *By Pre-Authorized Remittance from your bank account or credit card. If you wish to enroll in PAR, please call the parish office during office hours. An authorization form will be mailed (or emailed) to you. If you are already on PAR, you are encouraged to re-visit your pledged amount on an annual basis and prayerfully reflect on your financial offering to the church.*
- *By using the easy and secure Online Donation link on our parish website. Charitable donation receipts are issued automatically on our behalf by Canada Helps. Here is the link: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/119202950RR0001-st-thomas-church/>*