

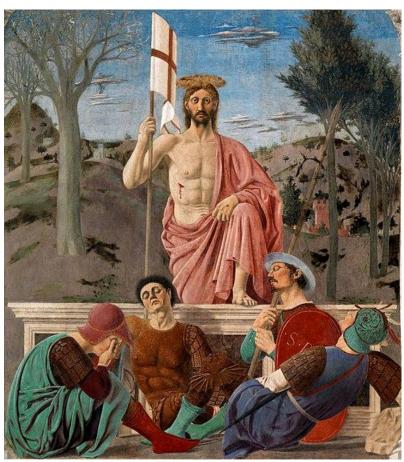


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The Resurrection, Piero della Francesca, 1415-1492. Museo Civico di Sansepolcro, Italia. Wikipedia Creative Commons: https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Resurrection.JPG

Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Worship at St Thomas' every Sunday at 10.30 am

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March 28 th (Maundy Thursday)	Holy Eucharist at St Paul's, Perrytown, at 7 pm
March 29 th (Good Friday)	Solemn Liturgy at 10.30 am
March 31 st (Easter Day)	Said Eucharist at St Mary's, Lifford, at 7.30 am
March 31 st (Easter Day)	Sung Eucharist at St Thomas' at 10.30 am
April 7 th (Easter Octave)	Sung Eucharist (followed by brunch)
April 14 th (Easter 3)	Sung Eucharist
April 21 st (Easter 4)	Morning Prayer
April 28 th (Easter 5)	Sung Eucharist
May 5 th (Easter 6)	Morning Prayer (followed by lunch))
May 12 th (Ascension Sunday)	Sung Eucharist
May 19 th (Pentecost)	Sung Eucharist
May 26 th (Trinity Sunday)	Sung Eucharist
June 2 nd (Pentecost 2)	Morning Prayer (followed by lunch)
June 9 th (Pentecost 3)	Sung Eucharist
June 16 th (Pentecost 4)	Morning Prayer
June 16 th (Pentecost 4)	Decoration Day at St Paul's-Zion Line at 2 pm
June 23 rd (Pentecost 5)	Sung Eucharist
June 30 th (Pentecost 6)	Sung Eucharist at Trinity the Marsh
July 7 th (Pentecost 7)	Word & Song liturgy at the Marsh (RR away)
July 14 th (Pentecost 8)	Sung Eucharist at the Marsh

Holy Week Services 2024

Joint Maundy Thursday evening service at St Paul's Church, Perrytown, at 7 pm. St Paul's is a 12 minute drive south of Millbrook on County Road 10.

Good Friday service at St Thomas' at 10.30 am.

Easter Sunday: St Mary's, Lifford, at 7.30 am. St Thomas' at 10.30 am. Please note: There will be no coffee hour at St Thomas' on Easter Sunday. The following Sunday, April 7th, a brunch will be offered in the parish hall following the service. Many thanks to Sue French for organizing and overseeing this special Eastertide meal!

Easter Sunday memorial flowers: Cash donations to the flower fund may be made at any time. However, if your donation is in memory of family members and/or friends, and you wish to have the memorial read at the Easter Sunday service, i.e., "Flowers given by...in loving memory of...", please give the written memorial information to Gail or to the Priest-in-Charge in advance of the Easter Day service.

The next St Thomas' 'Sing-along' is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, March 27th at 7 pm in the church. Coffee/tea/conversation to follow in the parish hall. Focus: The music of James Taylor. The April sing-along is scheduled for Wednesday, April 24th. Confirmation of the date and the musical focus will be announced closer to that time.

Sandy Flat Sugar Bush "Sugaring Off" fun outing! We have been invited by our friends at St Paul's, Perrytown, to join them for an after-church outing on <u>Sunday, April 14</u>th at the Sandy Flat Sugar Bush, 500 Concession Road 3 West, Warkworth, Ontario: http://sandyflatsugarbush.com. Food (pancakes, maple syrup, etc) will be available as well as other activities. We hope to arrange car-pooling. The event should last a couple of hours. Please let Rob Ross know by Monday, April 8th if you think you might wish to attend.

"Fun With Forensics" A Evening for Wannabe Crime Scene Investigators!



Back by popular demand! Our own Rhonda Smith and her colleague Anna Cappelli will again lead us on a fascinating journey into the world of evidence, forensic science, and the law! With their help, *you* may solve a crime!

Saturday, April 20th, 2024 -- 7 to 9 pm

St Thomas' Parish Hall

\$25 per person -- advance ticket sales only!

Price includes charcuterie & snacks -- Cash bar available (wine & beer)

Tickets available at the parish office -- 705-932-2233

For more information on purchase of tickets -- 705-808-1954

All proceeds raised go to St Thomas' Journeys outreach projects

The monthly Bible study group will now meet on the <u>third</u> Sunday of the month. The next session will take place, after church, on Sunday, April 21st. Each session lasts about 30-45 minutes. Our discussion is on different scholarly interpretations of Mark's Gospel. All materials are provided. No preparation is needed. All voices are welcome!

Growing St Thomas': a morning for some honest 'blue-skying'!

A challenge to all our members to come together for a couple of hours to realistically think about our future and also "dream" a bit about how we might encourage congregational growth. Saturday, May 25th, 9.30 am to noon, in the parish hall. Coffee/tea/refreshments provided by Journeys. RSVP (if possible) to Rob Ross or Lianne Landry.

Journeys Outreach committee meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the parish hall. The next scheduled meeting is on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 10th</u>. 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 January, July, & August) at a member's home. All women in the congregation are automatically members and 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.

Men's Breakfast at St John's, Ida: The men of St Thomas' parish have been graciously invited to attend the Men's Breakfasts at St John's, Ida. The breakfasts normally take place on the 2nd Saturday of the month. Please call St John's parish office, or check their website, to get up-to-date information on the exact date of the next breakfast.

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

The Parish Office

is normally open Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 am - 11.30 am.

Telephone: 705-932-2233. Email: cavmanparish@nexicom.net

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 (705-932-1231) or, if the home voicemail is turned off, please call his mobile phone number (705-313-9002).

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

- By using <u>offering envelopes</u> 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 <u>regular mail</u> addressed to St Thomas' Anglican Church, P. O. Box 187, Millbrook,
 Ontario, LOA 1GO. Please be sure to include the <u>Post Office Box number</u> 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 <u>e-transfer</u> from your bank account. Please call Gail Neiman during parish office hours (705-932-2233) or email her at <u>cavmanparish@nexicom.net</u> to arrange this. It is quick and easy to do!
- By <u>Pre-Authorized Remittance from your bank account or credit card.</u> 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 <u>Online Donation link</u> on our parish website. Charitable donation receipts are issued <u>automatically</u> on our behalf by <u>Canada Helps</u>. Here is the link: <u>https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/119202950RR0001-st-thomas-church/</u>

Thanks to everyone who supports the ministry of this parish church through their prayers, and through their gifts of time and/or talent and/or financial offerings. All these gifts are necessary to sustain our on-going existence, ministry, and Christian witness as a small but vibrant community of faith within the larger community of Millbrook/Cavan Monaghan.