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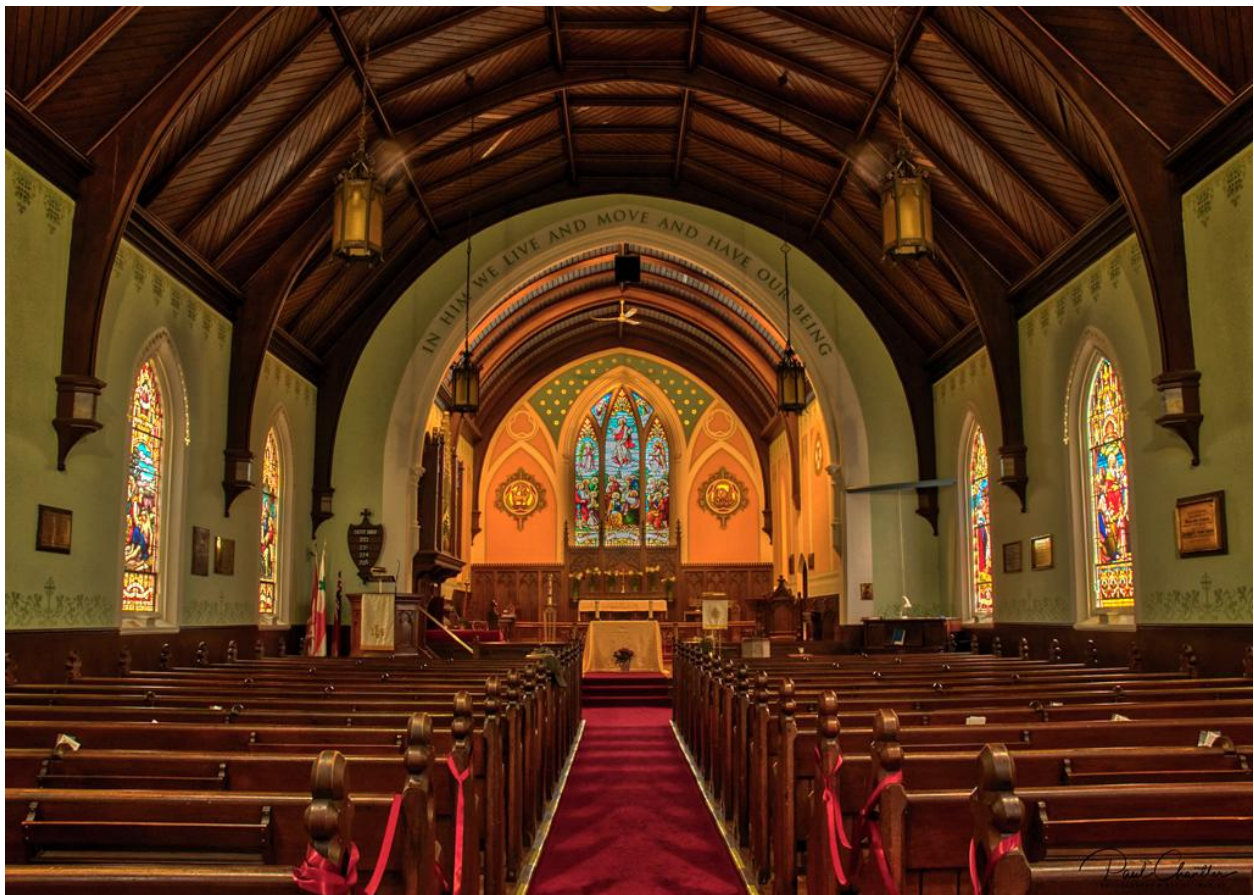
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***Easter Sunday is on March 31st this year!***  
***Worship at St Thomas' every Sunday at 10.30 am***

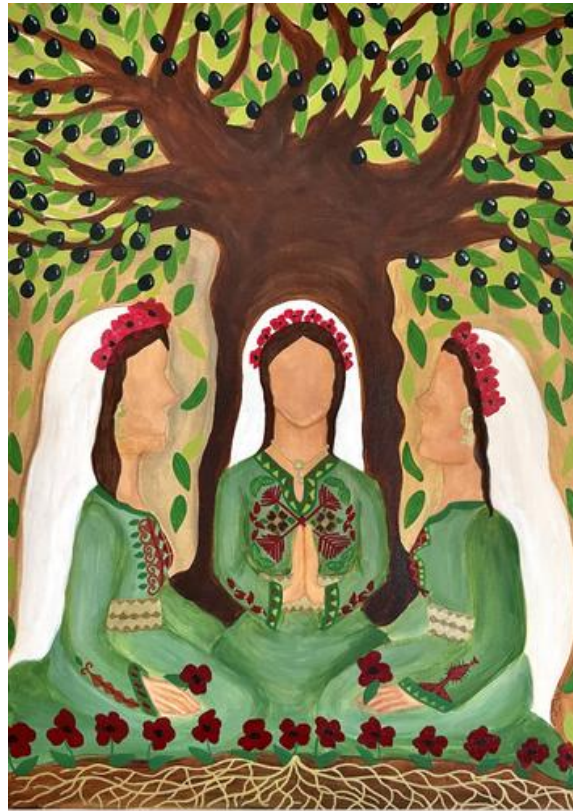
<b>March 3<sup>rd</sup> (Lent 3)</b>	<b>Morning Prayer (Lunch &amp; Vestry meeting)</b>
<b>March 10<sup>th</sup> (Lent 4)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>March 17<sup>th</sup> (Lent 5)</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>March 24<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>March 28<sup>th</sup> (Maundy Thursday)</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist (time: TBA)</b>
<b>March 29<sup>th</sup> (Good Friday)</b>	<b>Solemn Liturgy at 10.30 am</b>
<b>March 31<sup>st</sup> (Easter Day)</b>	<b>Said Eucharist at St Mary's, Lifford, 7.30 am</b>
<b>March 31<sup>st</sup> (Easter Day)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist at St Thomas's, 10.30 am</b>
<b>April 7<sup>th</sup> (Easter Octave)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist (followed by Easter brunch)</b>
<b>April 14<sup>th</sup> (Easter 3)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>April 21<sup>st</sup> (Easter 4)</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>April 28<sup>th</sup> (Easter 5)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>May 5<sup>th</sup> (Easter 6)</b>	<b>Morning Prayer (followed by lunch)</b>
<b>May 12<sup>th</sup> (Ascension Sunday)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>May 19<sup>th</sup> (Pentecost)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>May 26<sup>th</sup> (Trinity Sunday)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>June 2<sup>nd</sup> (Pentecost 2)</b>	<b>Morning Prayer (followed by lunch)</b>
<b>June 9<sup>th</sup> (Pentecost 3)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>June 16<sup>th</sup> (Pentecost 4)</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>June 23<sup>rd</sup> (Pentecost 5)</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>

**We are deeply saddened to announced the death of long-time parishioner Clarke Mayhew. Visitation will take place at St Thomas' Anglican Church on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. Funeral Service will follow at 1 pm. A reception will follow the service in the parish hall. "May he rest in peace and rise with Christ in glory!" For more details, please see the website of the Mill Valley Funeral Home, Millbrook:**

**<https://www.millvalleyfuneral.com/listings>**

**The annual meeting of the Vestry of the Anglican Parish of Cavan & Manvers will take place at St Thomas' Church, Millbrook, on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, after church. The meeting will start at approximately 12 noon after our usual soup & sandwich lunch. All are welcome to attend but only those listed on the Vestry list may vote. The main item of business will be the approval of the proposed budget for 2024.**

**Daylight Saving time begins in the wee-small hours of Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. Remember to put your clocks forward by one hour before retiring on the evening of Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.**



***The World Day of Prayer service will take place at St Thomas' Anglican Church on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, at 2 pm.***

***A reception in the parish hall will follow the service.***

***This service is sponsored by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada and is organized locally by the women of Millbrook and area churches.***

***The theme this year focuses on the lived-experience of Christian women in Palestine.***

***The service is not just for women--all people are welcome to attend!***

***A Bible study group meets at St Thomas' after church on the second Sunday of each month. The next session in March 10<sup>th</sup>. Each session lasts about 30-40 minutes and is self-contained. Our topic for 2024 is: "An Introduction to Mark's Gospel". All materials are provided. No preparation needed. All are welcome!***

***The next St Thomas' 'Sing-along' is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the church. Coffee/tea/conversation to follow in the parish hall. A poster will be sent out later to confirm that the Sing-along is happening on that date.***

***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, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024. All are***

welcome to attend and participate in these meetings. For more information, please speak to the Chairperson, Lianne Landry (705-808-1954).

**The Diocesan Parish Leaders' workshops** will be offered via Zoom. Please register for either March 18<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> in the evening, or March 23<sup>rd</sup> in the morning. All churchwardens, deputy churchwardens, treasurers, parish secretaries/administrators, etc, are strongly encouraged to attend. Participants will be given a 'tool kit' with a wealth of information on parish administration and diocesan canons & policies. Please register online at: <https://www.toronto.anglican.ca/parish-administration/parish-leaders-workshops/?lang=en>

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

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