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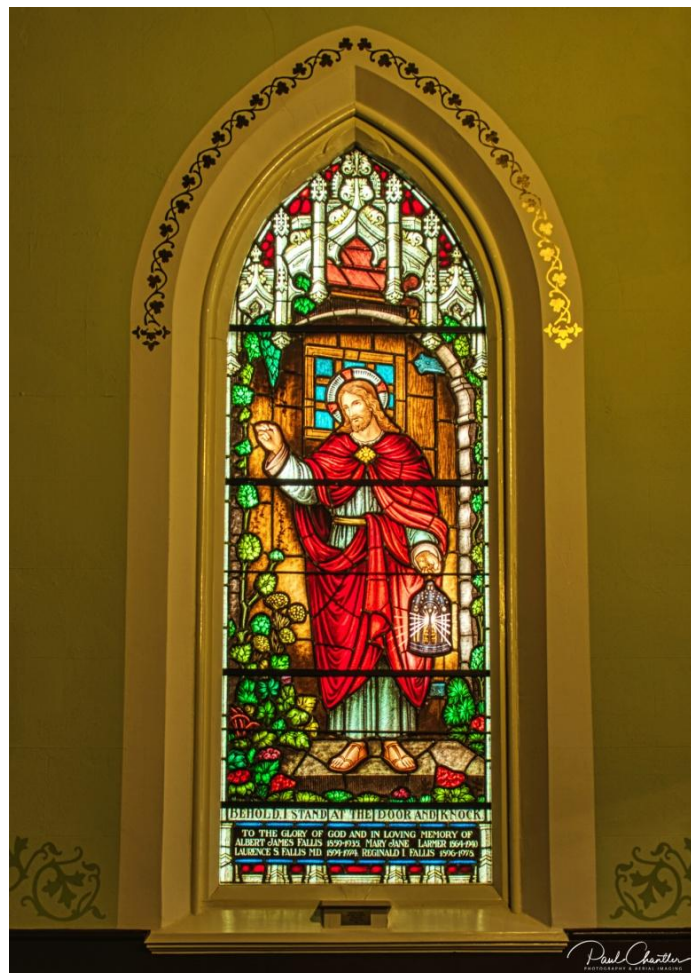
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**"I am the light of the world"**

John 8.12

**Corporate Worship every Sunday at 10.30 am**

<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></b>	<b>Morning Prayer (followed by lunch)</b>
<b>June 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>June 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>June 16<sup>th</sup> -- 2 pm</b>	<b>Decoration Day at St Paul's Cemetery, 4<sup>th</sup> Line</b>
<b>June 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>June 30<sup>th</sup> at Trinity the Marsh</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>July 7<sup>th</sup> at the Marsh</b>	<b>Liturgy of the Word (RR away)</b>
<b>July 14<sup>th</sup> at the Marsh</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>July 21<sup>st</sup> at the Marsh</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>July 28<sup>th</sup> at the Marsh</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>August 4<sup>th</sup> at the Marsh</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>August 4<sup>th</sup> -- 2.30 pm</b>	<b>Decoration Day at St Mary's Cemetery, Lifford</b>
<b>August 11<sup>th</sup> at the Marsh</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>August 18<sup>th</sup> at the Marsh</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>August 25<sup>th</sup> at the Marsh</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>Sept 1<sup>st</sup> last Sunday at the Marsh</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>

**The next St Thomas' 'Sing-along' is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm in the church. Coffee/tea/conversation will follow in the parish hall. The programme will consist of "the best of" the various vocal artists that we have sung along with over the past year. This will be the last Sing-along before the summer break. A huge thank you to Rhonda Smith (and her able "assistant" Jeff Bond) for organizing and leading these musical evenings for the community.**

**A Spring clean-up morning will take place at St Paul's, Zion (4<sup>th</sup>) Line Cemetery on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> from 9.30 am to noon. For more information, please contact Sherry-Lynne McMahon at 705-768-0029. All welcome!!**

**Many thanks to those who organized and participated in St Thomas' litter clean-up blitz of County Rd 21 East! Special thanks to Sherry-Lynne McMahon and Ian James, as well as to those who provided and prepared food and beverages for the volunteers. A big "thank you" also to Cathy McIntyre and her stalwart Girl Guides for helping out!**

**The monthly Bible study group now meets on the third Sunday of the month. The next session will take place, after church, on Sunday, May 19th. This will be the last session before a 3 month summer break. Each session lasts about 30-45 minutes. Our discussion is on different interpretations of Mark's Gospel. All materials are provided. No preparation is needed. All voices are welcome!**

**The "Growing St Thomas"" 'brainstorming' morning scheduled for Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> has to be re-scheduled because of a conflicting event in the parish hall that day. In the meantime, keep thinking about ways we can attract people to our parish and also think of ways we can work collaboratively with our new 'companion' parish St Paul's, Perrytown. A special e-News announcement will be sent out once we have a new date.**

**Many thanks to everyone who helped make the "Fun With Forensics" evening such a great success! The event quickly sold out and over \$1200 was raised for outreach projects. Special thanks to the leaders, Rhonda Smith & Anna Cappelli, as well as to all who contributed and prepared the delicious food (special thanks to "Chef de Cuisine" Debbie Worr).**

**Journeys Outreach committee meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the parish hall. The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, May 8th. 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 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 parish church!**