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***Worship every Sunday at St Thomas' at 10.30 am***

<b>March 2<sup>nd</sup> -- Epiphany 8</b>	<b>Morning Prayer (followed by Vestry meeting)</b>
<b>March 5<sup>th</sup> -- Ash Wednesday</b>	<b>Eucharist at 12 noon</b>
<b>March 9<sup>th</sup> -- Lent 1</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>March 16<sup>th</sup> -- Lent 2</b>	<b>Eucharist (Canon Susan Sheen, celebrant)</b>
<b>March 23<sup>rd</sup> -- Lent 3</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>March 30<sup>th</sup> -- Lent 4</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>April 6<sup>th</sup> -- Lent 5</b>	<b>Morning Prayer (followed by lunch &amp; Adv Bd)</b>
<b>April 13<sup>th</sup> -- Passion (Palm) Sunday</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>April 17<sup>th</sup> -- Maundy Thursday</b>	<b>Eucharist at St Paul's Perrytown, 7 pm</b>
<b>April 18<sup>th</sup> -- Good Friday</b>	<b>Solemn Liturgy at 10.30 am</b>
<b>April 20<sup>th</sup> -- Easter Sunday</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>April 27<sup>th</sup> -- Easter Octave</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>May 4<sup>th</sup> -- Easter 3</b>	<b>Morning Prayer (followed by special luncheon)</b>
<b>May 11<sup>th</sup> -- Easter 4 (Mother's Day)</b>	<b>Eucharist &amp; Baptism</b>
<b>May 18<sup>th</sup> -- Easter 5</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>May 25<sup>th</sup> -- Easter 6</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>June 1<sup>st</sup> -- Ascension Sunday</b>	<b>Eucharist (followed by lunch)</b>
<b>June 8<sup>th</sup> -- The Day of Pentecost</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>June 15<sup>th</sup> -- Trinity Sunday</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>June 22<sup>nd</sup> -- Pentecost 2</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>June 29<sup>th</sup> -- Saints Peter &amp; Paul, Aps</b>	<b>Eucharist (at Trinity the Marsh)</b>
<b>July 6<sup>th</sup> -- Pentecost 4</b>	<b>Morning Prayer (at the Marsh)</b>
<b>July 13<sup>th</sup> -- Pentecost 5</b>	<b>Eucharist (at the Marsh)</b>
<b>July 20<sup>th</sup> -- Pentecost 6</b>	<b>Morning Prayer (at the Marsh)</b>
<b>July 27<sup>th</sup> -- Pentecost 7</b>	<b>Eucharist (at the Marsh)</b>

***The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. A Said Eucharist, with imposition of ashes, will be celebrated in the church at 12 noon. All welcome!***

***St Thomas' now has a Facebook group: St Thomas Anglican Church Millbrook.***

***We also have an Instagram page: St Thomas Anglican Millbrook.***

***Please join! Please share with a friend! And please send along content ideas and/or photos, etc., to Carol Chantler (our Social Media Coordinator) at:***

***[carolchantler1423@gmail.com](mailto:carolchantler1423@gmail.com).***

***Our church secretary, Gail Neiman, has announced her retirement as of April 24<sup>th</sup>. There will be a special luncheon after church on May 4<sup>th</sup> to thank Gail for her many years of service in the parish office.***

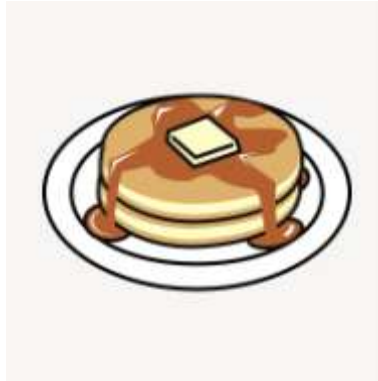
***The annual meeting (Vestry) of St Thomas' Church and the Parish of Cavan & Manvers will be held on Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> following church. Lunch will be available before the meeting. If your name is not on the list of those eligible to vote at Vestry (posted in the church) and you think it should be, please speak to the Priest-in-Charge before the meeting.***

***The Diocesan Social Justice Vestry motion for 2025 is now available.***

***Please read it in advance of our parish Vestry meeting in March:***

***<https://www.toronto.anglican.ca/diocesan-life/social-justice-advocacy/social-justice-vestry-motion/?lang=en>***

## ***The Pancake Supper is on!***



***The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will take place on Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 4.30 pm to 6.30 pm in the parish hall!***

***Adults: \$12.50. Children 6-12 yrs: \$7. 5 yrs old & under: free.***

***A huge "thank you" to Mike & Lorraine Lachapelle for taking on the oversight of this fundraising event and to the French family for getting things in motion! If you haven't done so already, please sign up to help out or to contribute! The sign-up list is in the hallway next to the kitchen door. Please spread the word!***

***The annual World Day of Prayer service will take place on Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, at 2 pm, at St John's Anglican Church, Ida, 1758 County Road 10, Cavan Monaghan. A reception will follow the service. The service is not just for women--everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!***

***As part of the diocesan "Season of Spiritual Renewal" we are all invited to make use of a resource developed by the Dean of our cathedral, Fr Stephen Hance, which is called: #LiveLent: God's Story, Our Story. It includes daily readings from Scripture, short reflections, prayers, and a weekly action to take. Please go to this link for more information and to download this Lenten resource:***

***<https://www.toronto.anglican.ca/diocesan-life/season-of-spiritual-renewal/>***

***On Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, from 2 pm to 4 pm, at the Millbrook branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, there will be a 'come and go' reception for Marilyn Lunn who has just retired after many years as Property Manager of the Millbrook Manor. Light refreshments, coffee/tea, and cash bar available. All welcome!***

***Calling all singers! The next "Community Sing-along" will take place at Saint Thomas' Church on Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm. Note: There will be no sing-along in March! Come for the fun of it! No singing talent required! De-caff coffee, herbal tea, cookies, and conversation in the parish hall following the sing-along.***

***The next monthly Bible study will take place on Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> after church (note change of meeting day from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month). Get your coffee/tea in the hall, have a visit, then come back up to the church for 30-45 minutes study. Sessions are self-contained and all materials are provided. This year we are studying the Gospel according to Luke.***

***Journeys Outreach, our parish outreach, social justice, and congregational growth working-group, regularly meets on the second Wednesday of the month in the parish hall at 7 pm. The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**. All are welcome!***

**St Thomas' ACW (Anglican Church Women) group meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 2 pm (except January, July, & August).** For more information on the work of the ACW in our parish and diocese, and the location of the next meeting, please contact Gail Neiman or Susan French.

**The World Community for Christian Meditation is sponsoring a Lenten retreat entitled: "Grounding in God: Care of the Soul in a Time of Chaos" on March 1<sup>st</sup> from 10.30 am to 4.30 pm at St Thomas' Anglican Church, 383 Huron Street, Toronto (2 blocks from west entrance of St George TTC station) and also live-streamed online for those who do not wish to travel to Toronto.** For more information, please go to: <https://www.toronto.anglican.ca/wp-content/smush-webp/2025/02/Lent-2025-Poster-.png.webp>

**Monthly Men's Breakfast at St John's, Ida.** The men of St Thomas' parish have a standing invitation 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.

**TOPS - "Take Off Pounds Sensibly" meets every Thursday evening in the parish hall.** For more information, please call the Coordinator, Mrs. Lou Bomhof, at 705-944-5422 or 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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**For pastoral emergencies or any time-sensitive matter,  
please call the Priest-in-Charge at home (705-932-1231)  
or call/text 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! However, there is now a dedicated email address for e-transfers which you will need to know in advance.***
- ***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/>***

***Many thanks to all who support the ministry of St Thomas' Church!***