



Parish e-News

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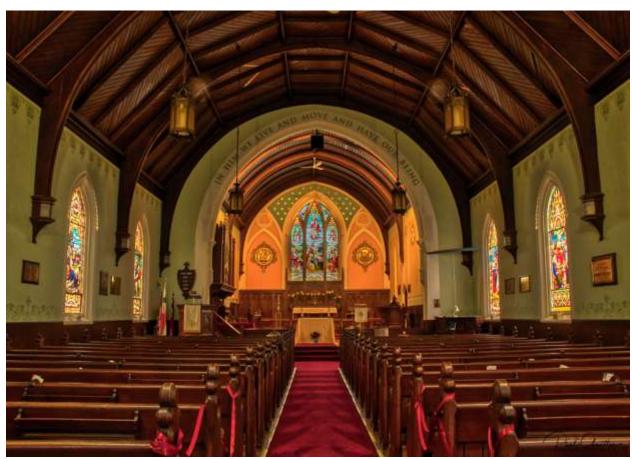


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Worship every Sunday at St Thomas' at 10.30 am

April 6 th Lent 5	Morning Prayer (followed by lunch & Adv. Bd.)
April 13 th Palm (Passion) Sunday	Eucharist
April 17 th Maundy Thursday	Eucharist at St Paul's, Perrytown, at 7 pm
April 18 th Good Friday	Solemn Liturgy at 10.30 am
April 20 th Easter Sunday	Eucharist
April 27 th Easter Octave	Eucharist
May 4 th Easter 3	Morning Prayer (followed by special lunch)
May 11 th Easter 4 (Mother's Day)	Eucharist & Baptism
May 18 th Easter 5	Morning Prayer
May 25 th Easter 6	Eucharist
June 1 st Ascension Sunday	Eucharist
June 8 th Pentecost	Eucharist
June 15 th Trinity Sunday	Eucharist
June 22 nd Pentecost 2	Morning Prayer
June 29 th Saints Peter & Paul	Eucharist (at Trinity the Marsh)
July 6 th Pentecost 4	Morning Prayer (at the Marsh)
July 13 th Pentecost 5	Eucharist (at the Marsh)
July 20 th Pentecost 6	Morning Prayer (at the Marsh)
July 27 th Pentecost 7	Eucharist (at the Marsh)
August 3 rd Pentecost 8	Morning Prayer (at the Marsh)
August 10 th Pentecost 9	Eucharist (at the Marsh)
August 17 th Pentecost 10	Morning Prayer (at the Marsh)
August 24 th Pentecost 11	Eucharist (at the Marsh)
August 31 st Pentecost 12	Eucharist (last summer Sunday at the Marsh)
September 7 th Pentecost 13	Morning Prayer (back at St Thomas')

Holy Week & Easter Services at St Thomas' Millbrook

Sunday, April 13th **at 10.30 am:** Palm (Passion) Sunday with blessing & distribution of palms and reading of the Passion according to Luke.

Thursday, April 17th **at 7 pm**: Evening Eucharist of the Lord's Supper with footwashing **at St Paul's Church, 6876 County Rd 10, Perrytown (just down the hill!) Friday, April 18**th, **at 10.30 am**: Reading of the Passion according to John, the Solemn Prayers, Veneration of the Cross of Jesus, Holy Communion. **Sunday, April 20**th, **at 10.30 am**: Easter Day Eucharist with blessing of new fire

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St Thomas' has a <u>Facebook</u> group: St Thomas Anglican Church Millbrook.

We also have an <u>Instagram</u> page: St Thomas Anglican Millbrook.

Please join! Please share with a friend! For more information, contact Carol Chantler (our Social Media Coordinator): <u>carolchantler1423@gmail.com</u>.

There will be a "come and go" retirement reception for Marilyn Lunn (long-time Property Manager of the Millbrook Manor) at the Millbrook branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, 9 King Street East, Saturday, **March 29**th from 2 pm to 4 pm. Light refreshments & cash bar. All welcome!

"Brainstorming" Advisory Board meeting! After the Soup & Sandwich lunch on Sunday, April 6th, we will be having a short brainstorming/planning session for possible parish fundraisers to help "slay" our projected \$8000 budget deficit this year. Bring your ideas and your calendar.

St Thomas' annual "Adopt-a-road" clean-up of a portion of County Road 21 is tentatively scheduled to occur on Monday, April 14th. Please contact Sherry-Lynne McMahon for more information. Volunteers must wear high-visibility clothing, gloves, and sturdy (waterproof) footwear. Extreme caution must be used when parking and walking on the county road. Participation in the road clean-up is done entirely at the volunteer's own risk. If the weather is bad, we will reschedule.

Diocesan "Season of Spiritual Renewal" - online educational events and other resources for personal and spiritual growth are available at the link below.

There are also special liturgies being held throughout the diocese as part of this "season" which we are all invited to attend, either in person or online. In our "south-eastern" region, the next special liturgy will take place at All Saints'

Church, Whitby, on Saturday, May 31st at 2 pm. For more information and also complete schedule of the special services, please visit:

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

Calling all singers! The next "Community Sing-along" will take place at Saint Thomas' Church on Wednesday, April 23rd at 7 pm. Music focus: TBD. 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 Anglican Way" -- three Saturday morning workshops aimed at those new to Anglicanism or simply interested in learning more about our church: April 26, May 3, and May 10th, 9.30 to 12 noon, at St Peter's Anglican Church, King Street East, Cobourg. To register, call 1-905-372-3442 (no later than April 11th).

The next monthly Bible study will take place on Sunday, April 27th after church (note change of meeting day from 3rd to 4th 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, April 9**th. All are welcome!

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

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 Susan French.

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

Until Gail's retirement, the parish office will continue to be open on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 am - 11.30 am. After April 24th, the Priest-in-Charge will be in the office one morning per week (exact day to be determined).

Telephone: 705-932-2233. Email: cavmanparish@nexicom.net
Always feel free to call the Priest-in-Charge at home (705-932-1231) or call/text his mobile phone number (705-313-9002) and leave a message.

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! However, there is now a dedicated email address for e-transfers which you will need to know in advance. After Gail's retirement, please contact Anne Austin, our Treasurer, about setting up e-transfers (705-932-5778).
- 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>

Many thanks to <u>all</u> who support the ministry of St Thomas' Church!