

This Week in the Parish

Exploring our faith and serving the world God loves.

- Jan. 4: 10:30 am – Epiphany – *live streamed***
- Jan. 6: 9:00 am – Coffee Morning Gospel conversation *by zoom***
- Jan. 6: 10:30 am – Hartford Worship Service**
- Jan. 6: 1:00 pm – EfM – in the church**
- Jan. 11: 9:00 am – Contemplative Service**
- Jan. 11: 10:30 am – Baptism of Jesus – *live streamed***

Mark's regular office hours: **Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 to noon or by appointment.**

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday – 9:30 to noon, closed on Wednesday

The office phone (613-543-3904) is checked Sunday to Friday mornings.

Serving the World God Loves

Martha's Ministries

Martha of Bethany was a friend of Jesus, known for her hospitality.

The Anglican Parish of South Dundas is known for its Martha's Ministries.

Martha's Drop-in Lunch: **Thursday Jan. 15th** Doors open at 11 am, coffee at 11:15, lunch served upstairs at 11:45 am. All are welcome.

Martha's Closet: **Saturday, January 31st from 9 am - 11:00 am.** For more information, please call the Parish Office at 613-543-3904.

Community Hub and Warming Centre at Martha's House: Mon. - Fri., 8:30 am - 4 pm. Programs include a drop-in breakfast on Mondays, 8:30 - 10 am. A drop-in lunch on 2nd & 4th Thursday from 11:30-1pm. Monday through Friday the Advocacy Centre is available from 11 am – 4 pm to help find support from various services in the community. There are copies of the January calendar at the back of the church.
Contact House of Lazarus at 613-989-3830.

Exploring our Faith

Weekly Coffee Morning Gospel Conversation: **Tues. from 9-10 am.** This is a facilitated discussion about the upcoming Gospel reading. For a Zoom invite, call Pat at 613-543-0403 or revpjmartin@gmail.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS

Coffee Time: Join us ahead of the service for coffee, tea, cookies & conversation at the back of the church.

2026 Offering Envelopes: The 2026 offering envelopes are available for pickup this Sunday. If you want envelopes and don't currently have them or you want to make changes in the method you currently use to donate to the church, please reach out to Rosemary Wells, our Treasurer or Ruth Speer, our Envelope Secretary. Their contact information is on the back of the bulletin.

Contemplative Service: Our next contemplative worship service is **Sunday, Jan. 11th at 9 am.** The services are held bi-monthly and include a Eucharist, alternative readings, as well as some music. There will be an opportunity for individuals to reflect on the readings and their meaning. Please consider joining us for something new! The next service will be January 25th at 9 am.

Lunch & Learn: House of Lazarus is holding their next Lunch & Learn at St. James on Monday, January 12th from 11 am to 1 pm. Free lunch is provided. This month's topic is Fire & Safety Prevention. Register by January 7th with Marije at the Hub, by emailing mharbers@houseoflazarus.com or by calling 613-989-3830.

Milk Mat Mission: Community Living is looking for donations of Milk Bags. They are making mats and seat cushions to help people experiencing homelessness. Please bring in your milk bags and add them to the tote at the back of the church. Let's help Frank and his friends at Community Living!

Bread Tags – Centre 105: For every jar of bag tags collected, Centre 105 receives a cash donation. Please consider bringing in your bread tags and adding them to the jar at the back of the church.

Community Connections

Centre 105 Drop-In Day Program is an outreach ministry of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa, located at Trinity Anglican Church in Cornwall, "Providing Breakfast - Creating Community." Sponsor a "Meal of the Day" for a donation of \$150.00. For more information go to www.Centre105.ca or call 343-585-4360.

Martha's Closet: Happens the last Saturday of every month with the exception of December. We accept donations of family clothing (clean and gently worn). Items can be dropped off at the church, when the church office is open. **PLEASE NO BEDDING OR HOUSEHOLD ITEMS.** For emergency needs and information, call the church office at 613-543-3904 or email: stjames072013@gmail.com.

Community Food Share: To make a financial donation please call 613-543-0065, or mail to PO Box 563, Morrisburg, or contact: <https://www.communityfoodshare.ca/contact-us/>

Madagascar School Project: Our parish is a proud supporter of this project, developed by Kathy Lucking. Their Wish List is always available at www.madagascarschoolproject.com. You can donate online or send a cheque directly to Box 684, Cornwall, ON K6H 5T5.

Madagascar Orphanage: Donations to the Akany Famonjena orphanage or Akany Tafita center can be sent to Anglican Missions Service Committee, PO Box 1072, Sault Ste Marie ON P6A 5N7.

Pastoral Care: If you would like a pastoral care visit, or know of someone who would like a visit, please contact Mark or Ann Barkley at 613-543-3908.

Prayer Team: The parish has an **emergency prayer** chain process. Wendy Lewis is the coordinator of this vital ministry within our community. If you have a prayer request or questions about the process, please call Wendy Lewis at 613-213-2121.

Prayer Shawls: Our Anglican Parish of South Dundas creates and distributes unique and special prayer shawls. They are given to people who are struggling, in need of support, and welcoming prayer for many reasons. If you know of someone who would benefit from receiving a prayer shawl, please contact Judy Lapensee (613-652-6278) or Joyce Millard (613-652-2350).

Greeting Cards: If you would like to suggest a card be sent from the church to members of our community for birthdays, anniversaries or get well wishes, please contact Lynn Levere at 613-662-9432.

No Scent Makes Sense: Several people are sensitive to scented products. Please help us make the church a safe space for everyone.

Coffee: We use Equator's *Freakin' Good Coffee* which is Fair-Trade.

Jigsaw Lending Library: at the back of the church.

Stamps for Oxfam Canada: Every year, Oxfam raises tens of thousands of dollars by collecting stamps from individuals and companies, which are sorted and sold to collectors. Stamps can be taken to the Canada Post outlet with the Shoppers Drug Mart at the Cornwall Square, or give them to Elizabeth Irwin.

WISHING TO MAKE A DONATION

Tax deductible donations can be made through monthly Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR), weekly offering envelopes, or by e-transfer (stjames072013@gmail.com).

Cheques should be made payable to the **Anglican Parish of South Dundas**.

E-transfers are done using our parish email: stjames072013@gmail.com. Please indicate if you have a specific request for the allocation of the funds by including that information in the e-transfer message section, for example regular offering, Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF), cemetery donations, other fundraising efforts, etc. Please include your mailing address if you are new to our community to allow us to prepare official tax receipts at the end of the year.

PAR (pre-authorised remittance) Donations: If you would like to sign up for PAR (pre-authorised remittance withdrawn on the 20th of each month) please contact Rosemary Wells, our Treasurer, at rosemarywells27@gmail.com or at 613-522-0754.

Offering Envelopes: If you would like to use weekly envelopes for the church, please contact Ruth Speer, speerruth62@gmail.com or at 613-652-2542.

**Our new liturgical year begins in December with the
three-fold season of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany.**

Epiphany: A time of making Christ known

Epiphany: January 4 - 10:30 am - *The Magi arrive.*

Baptism of Jesus: - January 11 - 10:30 am - *live streamed*