

This Week in the Parish

Exploring our faith and serving the world God loves.

- Sep. 28: 10:30 am – Pentecost 16 – Season of Creation 4 – *live streamed*
Sep. 30: 9:00 am – Coffee Morning Gospel conversation *by zoom*
Oct. 2: 11:00 am – Martha's Drop-in Lunch – coffee at 11:15, lunch served at 11:45 am
Oct. 4: 6:00 pm – Catering the Legion dinner
Oct. 4: 7:00 pm – Ontario Small Halls Concert – AHI – at the church
Sep. 28: 10:30 am – Pentecost 17 – Blessing of the Animals – *live streamed*

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

Cell #: 613-340-2837, email: mark.s.lewis57@gmail.com

****Mark is on vacation until Sept. 29. If there is a pastoral need in the community, please contact the Rev. Canon Pat Martin at 613-543-0403 or by email: revpjmartin@gmail.com**

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday – 9:30 - noon

Wednesday – Office is Closed

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 Oct. 2nd Doors open at 11 am, coffee at 11:15, lunch served at 11:45 am. All are welcome.

Martha's Closet: Saturday, October 25th 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. Monday is Income Tax assistance from 9 to 4 pm. 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 September 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.

Catered Roast Beef Dinner: The parish has agreed to cater a roast beef dinner for the Ladies Auxiliary of the Royal Canada Legion Branch 48 in honour of their 75th Anniversary on Saturday, October 4th. There are signup sheets at the back of the church for the various ways to support this initiative. If you have any questions please speak to Tim McLaughlin.

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, there is a poster on the signboard with all the details. Let's help Frank and his friends at Community Living reach their summer goal!

Mood Walks: September 29 at 11:00 am at the Upper Canada Bird Sanctuary. There are free bus rides available. This is being sponsored by the Canadian Mental Health Association. Please see the poster at the back of the church on the sandwich board sign. Register by calling 613-551-9253.

Lunch & Learn: Monday, October 6th is the next House of Lazarus lunch & learn at the Osgoode Baptist & Vernon United Church from 11 am to 1 pm. Free lunch is provided and the special musical guests will be the Vernon Ukelele Players. All are welcome. **Please RSVP by Oct. 2nd** to mharbers@houseoflazarus.com or call 613-989-3830.

Ontario Small Halls Concert at St. James: Saturday, October 4th at 7:00 pm, **AHI** (pronounced "eye"), a Canadian singer-songwriter will be performing. Tickets are available through the website: www.ontariosmallhalls.com.

Blessing of the Animals: Sunday, October 5th we will be having a Blessing of the Animals during our service, you are welcome to bring your animals to church.

Minds in Motion: A new program is coming to Morrisburg from the Alzheimer Society. It is an 8-week program starting on Tuesday, October 7th from 1-3 pm at the Municipal Office (3rd floor). It is a physical activity and brain stimulation program for people with early to mid-stage dementia and their care partners. Please see the poster at the back of the church for further information or pickup a copy to take home.

Hearts of Compassion Fund: To honour and celebrate Archbishop Shane Parker's dedication and service as our Bishop, our diocese has launched the Hearts of Compassion Fund (HCF). This enduring fund reflects his deep commitment to ensuring that our church remains a powerful force for compassion, inclusion, and hope, donations will support the Community Ministries of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa. Donations can be made through the Canada Helps link: www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/133804 or you can find more information on the Diocesan webpage.

Christmas Exchange Bags: Looking ahead to the 2025 Community Christmas Exchange that we support from this parish. There are signup sheets for the items that will be needed for this year's Christmas Exchange Bags. The idea in posting the needs early in the year, allows the opportunity to pickup these items throughout the year, possibly finding the items needed on sale as we are doing our regular shopping. If you have any questions, please speak to Wendy Lewis.

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.