

## **This Week in the Parish**

*Exploring our faith and serving the world God loves.*

- Mar. 22:** 9:00 am - **Contemplative Service**  
10:30 am - **Lent 5 - live streamed**
- Mar. 24:** 9:00 am - **Gospel conversation by zoom**
- Mar. 25:** 10:00 am - **Weaving Milk Mats with Frank B.**
- Mar. 28:** 9:00 am - **Martha's Closet**
- Mar. 29:** 10:30 am - **Palm / Passion Sunday- live streamed**

*Mark's regular office hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 am to noon or by appointment. Cell #: 613-340-2837. email: [mark.s.lewis57@gmail.com](mailto:mark.s.lewis57@gmail.com)*

**Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday – 9:30 to noon**

**Closed on Monday and Wednesday.**

**The office phone (613-543-3904) is checked Sun. to Fri. mornings.**

**Flowers on the Altar for Easter:** If you would like flowers on the altar in memory of loved ones for Easter, please contact the church office at 613-543-3904 or by email at [stjames072013@gmail.com](mailto:stjames072013@gmail.com).

## **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:** Next Lunch: Thursday April 2<sup>nd</sup> Doors open at 11 am, coffee at 11:15. This lunch will be served *upstairs* at 11:45 am. All are welcome!

**Martha's Closet:** Next Closet: Saturday, March 28, 9 am - 11:00 am. Coffee and treats are served *upstairs*.

## **Exploring Our Faith**

**Tuesday Morning Gospel Conversation:** from 9-10 am. This is a facilitated discussion about the upcoming Gospel reading. Everybody welcome! For a Zoom invitation, call Pat at 613-543-0403 or [revpjmartin@gmail.com](mailto:revpjmartin@gmail.com).

**Contemplative Service:** Our next contemplative worship service is **Sunday, April 5 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!

**Lenten Series 2026: Mar 25 @ 10 am: A Lesson in Milk Bag** Weaving with Frank B. at the CSSA building at 55 Allison St., Morrisburg. Sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

**Easter Newsletter:** Editor Jim Millard is happy to receive submissions until March 27. Please, email your submissions to Jim at [jimmillard46@gmail.com](mailto:jimmillard46@gmail.com).

## **PARISH MINISTRIES**

**Community Hub and Warming Centre** at Martha's House: Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4 pm. Programs include a drop-in breakfast on Mondays, 8:30 - 10 am. A drop-in lunch on 2nd & 4th Thursdays 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 February calendar at the back of the church. Contact House of Lazarus at 613-989-3830.

**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 that 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.

## **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](http://www.Centre105.ca) or call 343-585-4360.

**Community Food Share:** To make a financial donation call 613-543-0065, or mail to PO Box 563, Morrisburg, or <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](http://www.madagascarschoolproject.com). You can donate online or send a cheque directly to Box 684, Cornwall, ON K6H 5T5.

**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 for 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.

**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 within the Shoppers Drug Mart at Cornwall Square or give them to Elizabeth Irwin.

**Coffee Time:** Join us ahead of the service for coffee, tea, cookies & conversation at the back of the church. We use Fair-Trade coffee.

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

**Jigsaw Lending Library:** at the back of the church.

**Food and Loonies for the Food Share! Donations needed!** The parish is having a food and coin donation drive during Lent to help replenish the shelves at the local food bank.

**Save the Date: A Seaway Mystery!** Saturday, April 25 at 2 pm at Upper Canada Playhouse. Tickets will be \$25 each. \$5 from each ticket will be divided between a bursary at Seaway District High School and the Summer Youth Theater at the Playhouse, both in honour of Wendy Gibb. On sale now at the parish office or the Playhouse.

**Save the Date:** Friday, May 8 at 7:30 pm - Seaway Valley Singers present *Springtime in Canada* at the Christian Reformed Church in Williamsburg. Tickets are \$15 in advance / \$20 at door.

**Martha's Closet:** Happens the last Saturday of every month.

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](mailto:stjames072013@gmail.com).

### **Holy Week Schedule**

Holy Week is the time when we walk with Jesus from the excitement of the Palm Procession and Last Supper to the anguish in the Garden of Gethsemane and the desolation of the Cross before arriving at the joy of the Resurrection.

#### **March 29: 10:30 am ~ Palm/Passion Sunday**

The service begins with the Liturgy of the Palms as we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. People are invited to process around the church waving palms as we sing "All Glory, Laud and Honour". We then tell the story of the Passion of Christ.

### **April 2: 7:00 pm ~ Maundy Thursday**

This service recalls the events of the night before Jesus died. We begin with foot-washing and then move to the Institution of the Last Supper. At the end of the service, we strip the altar and those who wish are invited to pray quietly in the church for one hour. We close with an Order of Compline and exit the church in silence.

### **April 3: 11:00 am ~ Good Friday**

On Good Friday, the most solemn day of the church year, we assemble to remember the Passion of Our Lord as we journey with Jesus to His Crucifixion. We exit the church in silence.

### **April 4: 7:30 pm ~ Holy Saturday**

This service begins outdoors (west door) with the lighting of the new fire. The Pascal candle is lit from the new fire and carried into the church.

### **April 5: 10:30am ~ Easter Day**

This is the day we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. Alleluias and Butterflies are released, and chocolate Easter eggs are waiting to be found!

*(Butterflies are waiting to be coloured at the back of the church.)*

## **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](mailto: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](mailto: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-authorized remittance) Donations:** If you would like to sign up for PAR (pre-authorized remittance withdrawn on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month) please contact Rosemary Wells, our Treasurer, at [rosemarywells27@gmail.com](mailto:rosemarywells27@gmail.com) or at 613-522-0754.

**Offering Envelopes:** If you would like to use weekly envelopes for the church, please contact Sue Parkes, 705-822-5822 or email [sparkes333@gmail.com](mailto:sparkes333@gmail.com)