

This week in the Parish

Exploring our faith and serving the world God loves

September 20: 10:30 am – Pentecost 17 *live streamed*

**September 21: 2:00 pm – Rediscovering / Reclaiming the Way of Jesus and the God of Love and Healing
- October 5**

September 22: 9:00 am – Gospel Conversation

September 24: 2:00 pm – Lectio Divina at the Church

September 27: 9:00 am – Contemplative Service

September 27: 10:30 am – Pentecost 18 *live streamed*

*Pat's regular office hours: Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 am
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Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday – 9:30 am to noon

Closed on Monday and Wednesday

The office phone (613-543-3904) is checked Sun. to Fri. 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: Next drop-in lunch is: **Thursday, October 1.** Doors open at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome!

Martha's Closet: Happens the last Saturday of every month. Donations of family clothing (clean and gently worn). Items can be dropped off at the church, when the church office is open. For emergency needs and information, call the church office or email: stjames072013@gmail.com. Volunteers are also required to help sort clothing the week before. The dates would be Sept 21-25, October 24-30, and November 23-27. If available, please talk to Deb Swords.

Next Closet: Saturday, September 26, 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Pastoral Care: If you or someone you know would like a visit, please contact Pat or Ann Barkley at 613-543-3908.

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.

Contemplative Service: Our next contemplative worship service will be **September 27 at 9 a.m.** The services are held the 2nd and 4th Sunday 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! revpjmartin@gmail.com.

Season of Creation 2026: Sept 1 – Oct 4; This year's theme is Living Water inspired by Ezekiel 47:9–12, emphasizing ecological healing, renewal of creation, and human responsibility toward the environment.

Rediscovering / Reclaiming the Way of Jesus and the God of Love and Healing: Monday, Sept 14 - Oct 5 at 2 pm at the church
(Zooming in will be available)

Sept 21: *Better Ways to Read the Bible: Zack Lambert*

Sept 28: *How Western Christianity Got It Wrong: Randy Woodley*

Oct. 5: *Replacing the God of Fear with a Spirituality of Healing*

Lectio Divina: Thursday, Sept. 24 at 2 pm at the church.

Lectio Divina is a prayerful reading of Scripture that involves four distinct steps: Lectio (Read), Meditatio (Meditate), Oratio (Pray), and Contemplatio (Rest). For more information please speak to Pat or Jane Lee.

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 and a drop-in lunch on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month 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 the House of Lazarus at 613-989-3830.

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: 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.

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.

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.

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

Festival of Small Halls: October 9th at 7:30 p.m. “Whitehorse” is described as offering “folk-rock romanticism and raw storytelling...” Tickets available at festivalofsmallhalls.frontgatetickets.com

Thanksgiving newsletter: Jim Millard is creating a Thanksgiving newsletter. To submit content, contact him jimmillard46@gmail.com. Deadline is October 3.

Lunch and Learn: October 5, 2026, 11:00 am-1:00 pm, Christ Church United Church, 5 Casselman St. Chesterville. To register call Amanda at 613 989 3830, or by email at afox@houseoflazarus.com

WISHING TO MAKE A DONATION?

Tax deductible donations can be made through monthly Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR), weekly offering envelopes, or by e-transfer (apsd.gifts@gmail.com). ***Cheques** should be made payable to the **Anglican Parish of South Dundas**.*

E-transfers are done using this email: apsd.gifts@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 Sue Parkes, 705-822-5822 or email sparkes333@gmail.com

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.

Milk Mat Mission: Community Living is looking for donations of Milk Bags for 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!

Stamps for Oxfam Canada: Oxfam raises money collecting stamps from individuals and companies, sorts them and then sells them to collectors. Stamps can be dropped at Shoppers Drug Mart Cornwall Square or given to Elizabeth Irwin.