

This Week in the Parish

Exploring our faith and serving the world God loves.

- Feb. 8:** **9:00 am - Contemplative Service**
 10:30 am - Epiphany 5 - live streamed
- Feb. 10:** **9:00 am - Gospel conversation by zoom**
 7:30 pm - Parish Council
- Feb. 15:** **10:30 am - Transfiguration - 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 Feb. 19th Doors open at 11 am, coffee at 11:15, lunch served upstairs at 11:45 am. All are welcome.

Martha's Closet: Saturday, February 28, 9 am - 11:00 am. For more information, call the Parish Office, 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 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.

PARISH MINISTRIES

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.

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 is **Sunday, Feb. 22nd 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!

Ash Wednesday Services: February 18 at 11 am and 7 pm. Come and join us as we begin our Lenten journey.

Lenten Series 2026: Jesus said,

“You are the salt of the earth; you are the light of the world”.

How Can We Be Salt and Light in a Broken World?

This 4-week session begins Wednesday, Feb. 25 at 1 pm. at the back of the church.

Week 1: Feb 25 - *Our Current Situation*

Week 2: Mar 4 - *On Being Salt*

Week 3: Mar 11 - *On being Light*

Week 4: Mar 18 – *On Being Salt & Light as a Parish in South Dundas in 2026.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMING EVENTS

Ash Wednesday Services: February 18th at 11am and 7:00 pm. Come and join us we begin our Lenten Journey.

Vestry Sunday: The annual Vestry meeting will be held February 22nd after church with a pot-luck lunch.

This year's theme is Isaiah 43:19. "*See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up: do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.*"

Episcopal Election: One way that we can get to know the nominees for Bishop of Ottawa is by attending one of a series of public meetings introducing the candidates:

*The Ven. Brian Kauk
The Ven. Kathryn Otley
The Ven. Monique Stone*

The meeting for this area will be held at Trinity Church, Cornwall on Thursday, Feb. 12 from 7 to 9:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Martha's Closet: Happens the last Saturday of every month. Next Closet: **Saturday, February 28, 9 am - 11:00 am.**

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 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 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.

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.

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.