This Week in the Parish

Exploring our faith and serving the world God loves.

Aug. 17: 10:30 am – Pentecost 10 – live streamed

Aug. 19: 9:00 am – Coffee Morning Gospel conversation by zoom

Aug. 21: 10:00 am – Martha's Drop-In Coffee & Muffins

Aug. 24: 10:30 am – Pentecost 11 – live streamed

Office Hours for July & August:

Mark will be in the office on Wednesday morning this week 9:30 to noon or by appointment.

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

Office Hours: Monday - Office will be closed on Mondays during August

Wednesday – 9:30 am – noon **Friday** 9:30 am – noon

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.

<u>Martha's Drop-in Coffee & Muffins</u>: Thursday Aug. 21st 10:00 – 11:00 am. The format has changed for July and August, coffee & muffins/cookies on the 1st and 3rd Thursday mornings in July and August. All are welcome.

<u>Martha's Closet</u>: Saturday, August 30th from 9 am - 11:00 am. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 613-543-3904.

<u>Community Hub and Warming Centre at Martha's House</u>: 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 August Calendar at the back of the church. *Contact House of Lazarus at 613-989-3830*.

Exploring our Faith

<u>Weekly Coffee Morning Gospel Conversation</u>: 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

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

<u>Milk Mat Mission:</u> 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!

<u>Martha's Closet Sorting:</u> Sorting of donations for the next Martha's Closet on Saturday, Aug. 30th is ongoing this coming week and next week in the downstairs hall. Please confirm with the office when the church is open.

<u>Upper Canada Playhouse Lunches:</u> Our next lunch is **Sept. 11th.** The signup sheet for food donations is posted at the back of the church. The remaining lunch date is Dec. 11. For further information speak to Shirley Alguire, Wendy Lewis, or Bob Ruddock. Thank you to all who offer their support.

<u>Seaway Valley Singers:</u> The fall session will begin Wednesday, September 3, 2025. Rehearsals are held every Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm at the Christian Reformed Church in Williamsburg. All are welcome. See the poster at the back of the church.

<u>Lunch & Learn:</u> House of Lazarus is beginning their Lunch & Learn gatherings again, the next one is Monday, September 8th from 11 am to 1 pm at Christ Church United in Chesterville. Register with Marije at the Community Hub by September 4th, call 613-989-3830 or email mharbers@houseoflazarus.com.

<u>Service of Thanksgiving for Bishop Shane:</u> Join us for a Service of Thanksgiving for our journey with Bishop Shane on Saturday, September 20th at 11:00 am at Christ Church Cathedral, 414 Sparks St., Ottawa followed by a light reception. The service will be livestreamed.

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.

<u>Christmas Exchange Bags:</u> 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

<u>Centre 105 Drop-In Day Program</u> 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 them at 343-585-4360. https://www.facebook.com/Centre105/

<u>Martha's Closet:</u> Happens the last Saturday of every month with the exceptions of July and 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 by email at stjames072013@gmail.com.

<u>Community Food Share:</u> 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/

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

<u>Madagascar Orphanage</u>: 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.

<u>Pastoral Care:</u> 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.

<u>Prayer Team:</u> 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).

<u>Greeting Cards</u>: 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.

<u>No Scent Makes Sense</u>: 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.

<u>Jigsaw Lending Library:</u> at the back of the church.

<u>Save Your Stamps for Oxfam Canada:</u> Every year, Oxfam raises tens of thousands of dollars by collecting stamps from individuals and companies, which are sorted and sold to collectors. They can be taken to the Canada Post outlet within the Shoppers Drug Mart at the Cornwall Square.

WISHING TO MAKE A DONATION

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

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

<u>E-transfers</u> are done using our parish email: <u>stjames072013@gmail.com</u>. 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.

<u>PAR (pre-authorised remittance) Donations:</u> 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 <u>rosemarywells27@gmail.com</u> or at 613-522-0754.

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