

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Saint Thomas's Church

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Mattins at 7:30 am: Psalm 79 (BCP 432); Joel 2.15-27; Te Deum;

1 Peter 1.13-end; Psalm 100 (BCP 457)

Low Mass at 8:00 am: Page 240; Introit: Psalm 86.1-7 (BCP 439);

Gradual: Psalm 92.1-4 (BCP 449)

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

TODAY

TRINITY XV

7:30 am Mattins (BCP)

8:00 am Low Mass (BCP) (no music)

9:30 am Sung Mass (BAS)

11:00 am High Mass (BCP)

5:00 pm Evensong, Acolyte Induction & Adoration (BCP)
with reception to follow

Tues. Sept 19 **Society of Mary** – 6:45 pm in the undercroft (see *article*)

Sun. Sept 24 **TRINITY XVI**

FIRST EVENSONG OF MICHAELMAS

Fri. Sept 29 **MICHAELMAS** at St. Mary Magdalene at 6:30 pm

Sun. Oct 1 **DEDICATION FESTIVAL**

Combined BAS Mass at 10:30 am with luncheon to follow
Evensong, Te Deum & Benediction at 5:00 pm
with reception to follow

Wed. Oct 4 **Advisory Board Meeting** – 7:00 pm, in the Parish Hall

Sun. Oct 8 **HARVEST THANKSGIVING**

Mon. Oct 9 **Thanksgiving Day** – Office Closed; normal service schedule

Sun. Oct 15 **TRINITY XIX**

Sun. Oct 22 **TRINITY XX**

WEEKEND WORSHIP *(unless otherwise advertised)*

Saturday Services: Morning Prayer at 9:30 am; Low Mass at 10:00 am
(No public Evening Prayer on Saturdays.)

Sunday Services are at 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am, and 5:00 pm.

All Sunday morning Masses are in-person. The 9:30 and 11:00 am Masses are livestreamed on YouTube, as is Evensong and Adoration at 5:00 pm.

Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall follows the 9:30 and 11:00 Masses.

WEEKDAY WORSHIP *(unless otherwise advertised)*

Morning Prayer: 8:30 am, Monday-Friday

Evening Prayer: 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday

Low Mass at 12:15 pm: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Low Mass at 5:30 pm: Tuesday, Thursday

FAREWELL TO KATE ANDISON

Our summer intern Kate Andison's last Sunday with us is today. She will be returning for her third and final year as an undergraduate at Oxford University next month. We look forward to seeing her again when she is back in Toronto in the winter and spring!

Kate was a tremendous help behind the scenes on several significant projects and contributed greatly to our public worship life over the past three months. Please be sure to thank her for giving of her gifts so generously.

A particular thank you is owed the Corpus Christi Foundation for making this internship possible. To help the CCF fund further ministry opportunities for college students, seminarians, and the recently ordained throughout Canada, please consider making a tax-deductible contribution by placing a cheque made out to the foundation in the offering plate in the Narthex or by mailing it to the church office.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH SCHOOL is back! Children ages 4 to 11 can be taken to the undercroft (which can be accessed from the south entrance) any time after 10:50 am. They will learn about Jesus' birth, life, and teachings by each creating their own Life of Jesus binder. Additionally, they will learn about the Eucharist with their personalized "My Church Book" folder which guides them through activities and exercises.

The Church School group will join the service in their designated 2 pews at the back of the church, towards the end of the Eucharistic Prayer, in order to sing the Lord's Prayer with the congregation, receive a blessing, and then return to the undercroft for the ever-important cookies and juice. Parents are asked to pick up their child(ren) from the undercroft after the service. If you have any questions, please email Siobhán at siobhandungan@rogers.com.

SOCIETY OF MARY MEETING - September 19

The Society of Mary is hosting an upcoming opportunity for communal devotion **on Tuesday, September 19**. The time for fellowship will include a reading and discussion of Mary's importance for St. Francis of Assisi.

The meeting begins with light refreshments in the undercroft at 6:45 pm, followed by Rosary and Benediction in the chancel at 7:30 pm. All are welcome.

Please get in touch with jess.nee@gmail.com with any questions.

KNOW A CHILD WHO LOVES TO SING?

The St. Thomas's Choristers welcomes all children, ages 7-17, to audition for our new children's choral program. The Choristers will be singing at the 9:30 am Mass, starting in Fall 2023. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. This is an extraordinary opportunity for free music education, with a focus on sacred music in the Anglican tradition. You can sign up for an audition using the Google Form at stthomas.on.ca/choristers, or by emailing Manuel Piazza at mpiazza@stthomas.on.ca.

THANKSGIVING WITH THE FRIDAY FOOD MINISTRY

We are fast approaching Thanksgiving 2023 and with it comes the Friday Food Ministry's annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner on October 9. This is one of the biggest events of the year for the FFM and it gives us an opportunity to serve our neighbours who are experiencing homelessness and food insecurity. We often get 150 guests each year to our feast.

Such an event however takes a lot of work, and so we need your help! Whether that is helping out at the church, making food at home to donate, or shopping in the days leading up, there are many possible ways you can help the FFM make Thanksgiving special.

Here are all the ways you can help:

First, we need people with cars who can help us with the shopping. We will need a fair bit of food and supplies to make this work, so this is a vital logistical support for the meal. (You are still welcome to assist with shopping even if you do not have a car).

Second, we need help cooking turkeys. We usually prepare 14 turkeys each year to serve. Yes, that is a lot of birds, but if we have a team of people working together, we can get them all ready. We need help cooking turkeys in two different ways.

- 1) We will be cooking turkeys on Friday Oct 6, Saturday Oct 7, and Sunday Oct 8 at St. Thomas's. We need people to put them into the ovens, look after them, and then carve them.
- 2) Additionally, we need people to "adopt a turkey" and cook a turkey at home and bring it back to St. Thomas's by Thanksgiving Day. We can either provide you with a turkey to cook, or you can donate one that you have purchased and cooked yourself.

Third, we will need other items cooked at home to serve. This includes things like vegetarian entrees, sides, and desserts. Vegetarian entrees in particular are needed, so if you have a good recipe you like to work with, this is the place for you.

Fourth and finally, we will need volunteers to help on Thanksgiving Day itself. We will be running all day on October 9, so you can come for some or all of the day. We will be preparing meals and drinks, serving the meals, and cleaning up. The specific shifts will be announced next Sunday so be on the lookout.

Thanksgiving is a lot of work, but it is also a lot of fun. It is a great way to spend the day, and there are many different ways to serve. If you are interested in assisting or have any questions, please email Fr James Shire at fridayfoodministry@gmail.com.

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ALTAR MEMORIAL FLOWERS – Dates Available!

Please contact the office if you are interested in having memorial flowers through the end of the year.

The cost for High Altar flowers is \$125.00, and the Lady Altar is \$75.00. You will get a charitable receipt for memorial flower donations.

Dates available include **September 27** (Trinity XVI – Lady Altar); **October 15** (Trinity XIX, Lady Altar); **November 12** (Trinity XXIII – High Altar); **November 19** (Trinity XXIV – both the High Altar and Lady Altar); **November 26** (The Sunday Next Before Advent –the Lady Altar); and **December 31** (Christmas I – both the High Altar and Lady Altar)

Please contact Christine at office@stthomas.on.ca if you are interested in one of the dates listed above, or are looking for a specific date at another time of the year.

FLOWER GUILD MEMBERS NEEDED

We have all admired the beautiful flower arrangements on the altars on Sunday mornings, but have you ever wanted to learn how to do this yourself? This is your big chance!

The Flower Guild needs some enthusiastic people to help with flower arranging, once or twice a month. What's more, we are willing to train you (if necessary) on the various techniques florists use to display flowers at their best.

Please send an e-mail to Christine Cover in the office, if you are interested – office@stthomas.on.ca.

HAVE YOU BEEN RECEIVING ST. THOMAS'S WEEKLY E-MAIL OF THE THURIBLE?

If not, would you like to? The easiest way to get on our mailing list is through our website, at www.stthomas.on.ca/newsletter-signup. Just fill in the form and click 'subscribe,' and you will be included on our next mailing (usually on Saturdays).



St. Thomas's relies on the generosity of those whose offerings reflect gratitude for God's own generosity to us. To make a secure gift online, simply scan the QR code with your phone's camera app, or visit qrco.de/smokytoms. Scroll to the bottom of the webpage to fill out the online form. **We no longer pass the plate, so if you want to give the old-fashioned way, an alms basin is available in the narthex.**

DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK

(BCP pages 67-86, 239, Tr XV, Pr 24, Yr 1A)
Ordinary Weekday Introit: Ecclus 36.21;
Ps 122

(*Antiphon*) Reward those who wait for you
and let your prophets be found trustworthy
/ Hear, O Lord, the prayer of thy servants,
according to thy goodwill toward thy
people. (*Psalm*) I was glad when they said
unto me – “We will go unto the house of
the Lord” – Glory be... (*Repeat Antiphon*)

MONDAY (18) *Feria* (Green) 12:15 pm
1 Timothy 2.1-8; Psalm 28 (BCP 361);
Luke 7.1-10

TUESDAY (19) *Commem.* (Red) 5:30 pm
*John Coleridge Patteson, Bishop of Melanesia,
and his Companions, Martyrs, 1871*
1 Timothy 3.1-13; Psalm 101 (BCP 457);
Luke 7.11-17

WED. (20) *Ember Day* (Violet) 12:15 pm
BCP Propers, page 210
Introit: Ps 81.1-10 (BCP 434);
Gradual: Ps 105.1-6 (BCP 464)

THURSDAY (21) *HOLY DAY* (Red) 5:30 pm
Saint Matthew the Apostle
BCP Propers, page 292
Introit: Ps 119.65-72 (BCP 489);
Gradual: Ps 119.89-96 (BCP 491)

FRIDAY (22) *Ember Day* (Violet) 12:15 pm
BCP Propers, page 245
Introit: Ps 81.1-10 (BCP 434);
Gradual: Ps 105.1-6 (BCP 464)

SAT. (23) *Ember Day* (Violet) 10:00 am
BCP Propers, page 100
Introit: Ps 81.1-10 (BCP 434);
Gradual: Ps 105.1-6 (BCP 464)

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