JANUARY 3, 2021

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY

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Propers for 8:00 am Eucharist:

Page 115; Introit: Psalm 93; Gradual: Psalm 110.1-4

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Sun. Jan 3 THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

8:00 am Said Eucharist

(Church open; please pre-register)

9:30 am Sung Eucharist

(Church closed; streamed online)

11:00 am Sung Eucharist

(Church closed; streamed online)

4:00 pm Solemn Evensong & Devotions (Church open; please pre-register)

Wed. Jan 6 THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

12:15 pm Said Eucharist (Please pre-register)

Pr Bk pg 67 Introit: Psalm 72.1-7;

Gloria in Excelsis pg 86;

Propers: page 117; Gradual: Psalm 72.8-11

7:00 pm Sung Eucharist

(Church closed; streamed online)

Sun. Jan 10 THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

8:00 am Said Eucharist (please pre-register)

9:30 am Sung Eucharist

11:00 am Sung Eucharist

4:00 pm Carols for the Feast of the Epiphany (Church closed; streamed online)

Pre-Registration to attend Services: Please do this on Eventbrite via the parish website *www.stthomas.on.ca* or by calling the office at 416-979-2323 X 4.

MARY SUDDON - RIP

Mary Suddon died on December 27, 2020 at Belmont House. A private funeral will be held January 4. A Requiem for her and other members of the parish who have died during the pandemic will be celebrated at a later date.

May she rest in peace, and rise in glory.

CHRISTMAS THANK YOU

Our gratitude to Anna Kennedy and the Altar Guild, Lindsay Squire and the flower arrangers, Fr Shire and the Acolytes Guild, Matthew Whitfield, Elizabeth Anderson, and the singers, our technical wizards behind the scenes producing our online liturgies, our staff Christine and Eli, and all who have made this difficult Christmas joyful nevertheless.

ON BEHALF OF THE FRIDAY FOOD MINISTRY, I would like to thank all those who helped make our Christmas Dinner possible for our guests. Thank you to everyone who prepared food at home, shopped for supplies, prepared food at the church, served our meals, and cleaned up afterwards. Our guests were truly appreciative and grateful to have a delicious meal and we were able to bring a bit of Christmas cheer to them.

May you continue to have a safe and blessed Christmas.

~ Fr James Shire

GIFT OF LITURGICAL ITEMS

The Parish is grateful to Fr Allan Hood, KCHS, for the gift of several chasubles, a cope, a thurible and other very beautiful items. Fr Hood is a Roman Catholic priest of the diocese of Peterborough whose early formation and sense of vocation were nurtured while he was a parishioner at Saint Thomas's in the 1960s. He has now retired and we are beneficiaries of his need to downsize. Thank you, Father.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

There is an opening available for Memorial Altar Flowers on January 17. Please contact Christine Cover in the office this week, if you are interested.

CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPE SETS will be available for pick-up at the back of the church early in the new year for those attending services in person.

Arrangements are being made to mail out envelopes on request. If you would like your envelopes mailed to you directly, please contact Kevin at *envelopesecretary@stthomas.on.ca* or call the office.

If you anticipate being able to attend services in-person once this current lockdown ends, please consider waiting until then to pick up your envelopes. Thank you.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING - February 28, 2021

The Annual Vestry Meeting will take place February 28, 2021. The list of those eligible to vote at Vestry has been prepared, but because of government restrictions the list will not be posted as was the usual practice. If you wish to verify that your name is on the list, or have your name added to the list, please contact Christine Cover by email at office@stthomas.on.ca or by telephone at 416-979-2323 Ext 4.

In order to vote at Vestry, you must be 16 years old and must have been a full communicant member of St Thomas's for a minimum of three months. The Anglican Church of Canada requires that a communicant member be a parishioner at one church only, voting at only one Vestry.