NOTICES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 8, 2023 THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

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Mattins at 7:30 am: Psalm 66 (BCP 408); Isaiah 49.13-23; Te Deum;

Matthew 17.1-13; Psalm 100 (BCP 457)

Low Mass at 8:00 am: Pages 119 & 117; Introit: Psalm 98.1-4 (BCP 455);

Gradual: Psalm 98.8-10 (BCP 456)

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

TODAY	THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD 7:30 am Mattins 8:00 am Low Mass (no music) 9:30 am Sung Mass (BAS) 11:00 am High Mass (BCP) 5:00 pm Epiphany Carols at Evensong followed by a reception in the Parish Hall
Wed. Jan 11	Advisory Board Meeting – 7:00 pm
Sun. Jan 15	EPIPHANY II
Tues. Jan 17	SOCIETY OF MARY – 6:15 pm
Wed. Jan 18	Reading Biblical Review – 7:00 pm (see article)
Sat. Jan 21	HIGH MASS OF REQUIEM FOR FR. BRIAN FREELAND – 4:00 pm
Sun. Jan 22	EPIPHANY III
Wed. Jan 25	Workshop and Discussion in Indigenous Issues – 7:00 pm Reading Biblical Review – 7:00 pm
Sun. Jan 29	EPIPHANY IV

SAINT THOMAS'S PUBLIC WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

at 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am, and 5:00 pm

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

THE COMMON CUP & LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS

As per Diocesan guidelines, communicants are asked *not* to dip the consecrated host into the chalice with their hand as an alternative to drinking from the chalice. St. Thomas's offers low-gluten communion hosts for those who have gluten allergies, sensitivities, or celiac disease. When approaching for communion, please inform the priest that you require a low-gluten host.

RECEPTION FOLLOWING EPIPHANY CAROLS AT EVENSONG

All are welcome to attend a reception in the Parish Hall when Evensong and Devotions conclude. If you can, please bring a small contribution of food – ideally something that can be eaten as a finger food and not requiring reheating.

READING BIBLICAL REVIEW: THE BOOK OF JONAH

Starting January 18, at 7:00 pm, on Zoom

Building on the *Foundation Course for Reading Biblical Hebrew* held in the fall of 2022, St. Thomas's is pleased to support the follow-up program *Reading Biblical Hebrew: The Book of Jonah*, for those who have done the foundation course or already have some equivalent knowledge of Biblical Hebrew. This course will take place on Zoom over five weeks.

If you would like further information, or don't have any background or experience with Hebrew but are interested in auditing, please speak to John Stuart

MEMORIAL HIGH MASS OF REQUIEM FOR FR. BRIAN FREELAND January 21, at 4:00 pm

Saint Thomas's will be holding a Memorial High Mass of Requiem for the repose of the soul of Brian Freeland, priest, on Saturday, January 21 at 4:00 pm. The Rt. Rev. Victoria Matthews will be the preacher, and the Music of the Mass will be the Requiem in D minor, Op. 48, by Gabriel Fauré.

A reception will follow in the parish hall. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Christine Cover at *office@stthomas.on.ca* so that we have a rough number to give to the caterers.

WORKSHOP AND DISCUSSION ON INDIGENOUS ISSUES

January 25, at 7:00 pm, in the Parish Hall

Truth and reconciliation with God and others are central themes of our faith - how much more should learning the truth about and seeking reconciliation with those whom we have specifically and grievously wronged as a Church merit our attention? We hope you will commit to attending this in-person session, wherever your heart and mind may be on the issues, remembering that as a church, we are called to this work not primarily to address political issues, but to honour each other's dignity as human beings created in the image of God. We all stand in need of the grace that comes from honesty about the past and hope for the future.

Please see the Thurible for links to background information, or contact Andrew Gray *agray@torys.com* or Jess Nee *jess.nee@gmail.com*.

ALTAR MEMORIAL FLOWERS - Dates Available!

Please contact the office if you are interested in memorial flowers in January.

The cost for High Altar flowers is \$125.00, and the Lady Altar is \$75.00.

Dates available prior to Lent include January 22 and 29 (both Lady Altar). There are five more 'holes' in the schedule after Easter, and several over the summer.

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.

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, 119 & 117, The Baptism of Our Lord, Yr 1A)

Ordinary Weekday Introit: Psalm 45.7,1a (BCP 387)

(Antiphon) Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity / wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. (Psalm) My heart overfloweth with a good matter: I recite my verses for the king. Glory be... (Repeat antiphon)

MON. (9) Feria in the 8^{va} (White) 12:15 pm Hebrews 1.1-6; Psalm 97 (BCP 454); Mark 1.14-20

TUESDAY (10) Commem. (Green) 5:30 pm William Laud. Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645 1 John 4.19 - 5.4; Psalm 72.1-2,14-21 (BCP 418); Luke 4.14-22

WED. (11) Feria in the 8^{va} (White) 12:15 pm Hebrews 2.14-18; Psalm 105.1-15 (BCP 464); Mark 1.29-39

THURSDAY (12) Commem. (Green) 5:30 pm Marguerite Bourgeovs. Educator in New France, 1700 Jer 1.4-13; Psalm 119.97-104 (BCP 491); Mark 6.6b-13

FRIDAY (13) Memorial (White) 12:15 pm Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher, 367 Introit: Ps 1.1-4 (BCP 331); 2 Timothy 1.13-14, 2.1-3; Gradual: Ps 119.161-168 (BCP 496); Luke 12.8-12

SAT. (14) Feria in the 8^{va} (White) 10:00 am Hebrews 4.12-16; Psalm 19.7-14 (BCP 351); Mark 2.13-17

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