

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 21, 2023

SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

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Mattins at 7:30 am Psalms 20 (BCP 352) & 21 (BCP 353); Isaiah 65.17-end;
Te Deum; Luke 24.36-end; Psalm 100 (BCP 457)

Low Mass at 8:00 am: Pages 203, 201; Introit: Psalm 27.1-12 (BCP 360);
Gradual: Psalm 47.5-10 (BCP 389)

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

TODAY	SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION
	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 Evensong & Benediction (BCP)
Mon. May 22	Victoria Day – Office Closed; normal service schedule
Wed. May 24	Advisory Board Meeting – 7:00 pm
Thurs. May 25	CROUSE SEMINAR SUNG MASS – 5:30 pm (<i>see article</i>)
Sat. May 27	MAY FESTIVAL – 10:00 am at St Mary Magdalene (<i>see article</i>) EVENSONG OF PENTECOST EVE – 5:30 pm (<i>see article</i>)
Sun. May 28	PENTECOST – 10:30 am Combined Mass & Baptism
Wed. May 31	VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – 6:30 pm At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Manning Avenue
Sun. June 4	TRINITY SUNDAY
Wed. June 7	Les Voix Humaines Concert – 7:30 pm (<i>see article</i>)
Sun. June 11	CORPUS CHRISTI
Sun. June 18	TRINITY II
Sun. June 25	TRINITY III

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 Eucharists are livestreamed on YouTube, as is Evensong and Benediction at 5:00 pm.

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

CHURCH SCHOOL

Church School Coordinator Siobhán Dungan invites **children ages 4 to 11** to be brought to the undercroft (accessed by descending the steps near the south entrance) on Sundays anytime after 10:45 am. The children learn about the Eucharist and Jesus' life and teachings through stories, singing, colouring, and fun exercises. Siobhán brings them upstairs to the church in time to sing the Lord's Prayer with the congregation and receive a blessing. They then return to the undercroft, where parents pick them up after the end of the service. If you have any questions, please email Siobhán at siobhandungan@rogers.com.

PRAYER & CARE REQUESTS

To submit prayer requests, please email prayerandcare@stthomas.on.ca or call Christine at 416-979-2323 x 4 to provide details. Please let us know whether you want the person included (1) on the weekly intercessions list to be prayed for daily at Mass and/or (2) in the private prayers of our prayer and care team. Let us know also if a follow-up might be required, or if you or someone you know would benefit from a clergy call or visit.

CROUSE SEMINAR

St. Thomas's is again hosting a continuing education event for clergy, seminarians, and academics from May 25 to 27. Parishioners are encouraged to attend all of the scheduled services as usual, and are especially welcome to attend a **special Sung Mass on Thursday, May 25** at 5:30 pm, and a **special Choral Evensong on Saturday, May 27** at 5:30 pm. Dr. Hans Boersma of Nashotah House Seminary in Wisconsin will be the preacher at the **combined 10:30 am BAS service on Pentecost Sunday on May 28**.

MAY FESTIVAL – May 27, 2023 at 10:00 am
St Mary Magdalene, 477 Manning Avenue

A Solemn Mass will be celebrated, with an outdoor procession. A light lunch will be available following the service (\$10 suggested donation).

St. Thomas's will not be holding Low Mass on this Saturday. Instead, we encourage everyone to make their way to St. Mary Magdalene.

VACATION NOTICE

Christine will be taking a few days off from May 29 to June 2, inclusive. Fr. Ipema will be looking after the office while she is away, but if there is anything you need her expertise for, please speak to her early this coming week.

ST. THOMAS'S FRIENDS OF MUSIC PRESENTS LES VOIX HUMAINES
Wednesday, June 7 at 7:30 pm

The Friends of Music at St. Thomas's are proud to present the brilliant Montreal-based viola da gamba duo Les Voix Humaines in concert in the church on Wednesday, June 7 at 7:30 pm. The event will coincide with the ensemble's release of a new recording on the ATMA label entitled *Anguille sous roche – Something Fishy*, featuring delicacies from the French repertoire (Francois Couperin, Marin Marais, Jean-Philippe Rameau), offering humour, virtuosity and tenderness in a unique, creative program.

The Voix Humaines duo brings elegance and brilliance to their performances. Viola da gamba and recorder virtuoso Melisande Corriveau and Susie Napper have performed together for two decades as members of the Les Voix Humaines viol consort, collaborating on numerous concerts and recordings. They both play on 17th century viols from the workshop of the London luthier Barak Norman

Tickets for the concert are pay-what-you-can (suggested \$40) and are available at the door or at www.bemusednetwork.com

OMICRON VACCINE CLINICS at St Stephen's in-the-Fields - 103 Bellevue Avenue at College Street, west of Spadina

The next community Covid vaccine and bivalent booster clinics are scheduled for the Tuesdays of: **June 13 and June 27**. The clinics will run from **1:00 to 6:00 pm**.

These are walk-in clinics, available to anyone that is eligible. Infant and pediatric doses will also be available. No appointment is necessary.

ALTAR MEMORIAL FLOWERS – Dates Available!

Please contact the office if you are interested in having memorial flowers in the next few weeks.

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

Upcoming dates available include June 4 (Trinity Sunday – Lady Altar), June 11 (Corpus Christi – High Altar), July 2 (Patronal - Feast of St. Thomas's – High Altar), and July 30 (Trinity VIII – Lady Altar). There are several more 'holes' in August and one in September.

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.

SHOPPERS AND DRIVERS FOR THE FRIDAY FOOD MINISTRY

Do you have a car? Do you like to go fast? Would you like to use your car for a good cause and drive the proper and safe speed limit in Toronto? Well you are in luck, the Friday Food Ministry is looking for people with cars to assist with shopping for our meals!

The Friday Food Ministry makes everything in-house for our meals, and so we need shoppers to go to places like Costco, No Frills, Fresh Co, Food Basics, and other grocery stores to get the supplies we need to make each meal possible. During the summer months we serve between 70-100 guests, and so we need help to get groceries to St. Thomas's. Shoppers would be given a list on the Monday prior to a Friday meal service, and they can do the shopping anytime between Monday and Thursday (though Friday drop-offs can be accepted as well). Grocery expenses can be reimbursed from the Friday Food Ministry budget.

Shopping for the Friday Food Ministry is a great way to assist the ministry if you are otherwise unavailable on Fridays.

If you are available, please email Fr Shire at fridayfoodministry@gmail.com.

CALLING ALL GRILLERS. . .

Grilling is one of the oldest forms of cooking, likely beginning shortly after humans domesticated fire 650,000 years ago. This ancient and noble form of cooking, one that is at home amongst our rich liturgical life at St. Thomas's, is the cornerstone of the Friday Food Ministry's summer program. On the Fridays of the summer long weekends, the Friday Food Ministry holds barbecues where we grill burgers and hotdogs for our guests. These barbecues are among the most popular events we hold, we often get over 100 people coming to them, and they allow people experiencing poverty and food insecurity a chance to celebrate the long weekends just as anyone else would.

The Friday Food Ministry needs grillers to help make these meals possible. Grillers would be asked to come to the Friday Food Ministry on the Fridays of long weekends from 3:00-5:00 pm to operate the barbecues. We would like to have at least two volunteers per Friday, and we need assistance on the following dates: June 30, August 4, and September 1.

If you are available, please email Fr Shire at fridayfoodministry@gmail.com.

DO YOU HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE NOTICES?

Please send it to Christine at office@stthomas.on.ca. The deadline for submissions is **Thursday at noon**.

Please include a title, date, time, a brief description of your event, and, if applicable, information for further contact. If you expect your article to be more than 100 words long, or to contain large graphics, please let Christine know so that she can plan accordingly.

The printing of leaflets and booklets is always in multiples of four pages, so we try to keep the printed Notice down to four, but sometimes it's just not possible, and we need various 'fillers' (like today).

YOUNG ADULT AND UNIVERSITY BIBLE STUDY

Young adults (20s-30s) and university students of all levels are welcome to participate in our weekly Bible study. We meet every Wednesday from 6:00 - 7:00 pm in the Fr. Freeland Room. Our hope is to offer a place of bonding and support for the shared experiences, questions, and struggles that face in their journey of faith, even as we are enriched by each other's unique paths and by our study.

In addition, we often meet for socials and other activities and events following the Wednesday Bible study.

If you're interested, feel free simply to drop in to our social or Bible Study night, or e-mail Fr. Shire at frshire@stthomas.on.ca if you have any questions. We look forward to welcoming you.

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, 203, 201, *Easter VI, Yr 1A*)

Psalm 27

(*Antiphon*) Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee, alleluia / my heart hath talked with thee: Seek ye my face; thy face, Lord, will I seek. O hide not thy face from me, alleluia, alleluia. (*Psalm*) The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? Glory be... (*Repeat Antiphon*)

MONDAY (22) *Ascensiontide* (White)

12:15 pm

Acts 19.1-10; Ps 68.1-6 (BCP 410);
John 16.29-33

TUESDAY (23) *Ascensiontide* (White)

5:30 pm

Acts 20.17-27; Ps 68.7-20 (BCP 411);
John 17.1-11a

WEDNESDAY (24) *Ascensiontide* (White)

12:15 pm

Acts 20.28-38; Ps 68.25-32 (BCP 412);
John 17.11b-19

THURSDAY (25) *Octave of Ascension* (White)

5:30 pm

See booklet

FRIDAY (26) *Memorial* (White) 12:15 pm

Augustine, First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605

Introit: Ps 96.1-9 (BCP 453);

2 Corinthians 10.7-18; Gradual: Ps 96.10-13
(BCP 454); Matthew 13.31-33

SATURDAY (27)

There will be no Low Mass at Saint Thomas's today, due to the May Festival at Saint Mary Magdalene, which will take place at 10:00 am

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