



Weekly Newsletter

Friday, March 15, 2024

WORSHIP

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 17, 2024

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion *in the Church*

10:00 a.m. Holy Communion *in the Church*

5:00 p.m. Last Chance Mass *in the Old School Building*

SERVICE DETAILS AND REMINDERS

- 1) [Click here](#) to watch the **10:00 a.m.** service live and to find previous services on the St. Thomas' Church website.
- 2) You can access the worship bulletin at <https://bit.ly/ST-Online>

We also offer weekday worship services!

Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. in the Old School Building:
Holy Eucharist and Bible Study

Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Old School Building:
Morning Prayer

[Click here](#) to watch a recording of the Annual Parish Meeting.

Read the 2023 Parish Annual Report [here](#).

**Palm Procession to the church
Next Sunday March 24th at 10 am service.**

Procession starts promptly at 10:00 a.m., please arrive early to pick up your palms. We will meet in front of St. Thomas' Preschool.



2024 Easter Memorials

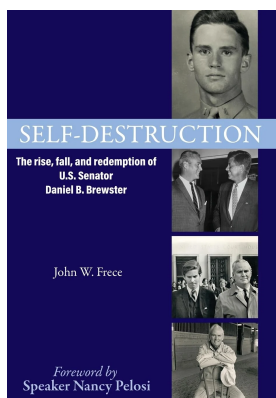
Easter is an appropriate time to remember loved ones through memorial donations for flowers on this great Festival of Jesus' Resurrection. If you wish to make an Easter memorial donation, please click on the button below to download an Easter Memorial form. Send your donation and form to the Parish Office or drop it in the Offering plate during service. Checks should be made payable to *St. Thomas' Church*.

Click the buttons below to download a pdf of the Easter Memorials form and Holy Week Services flyer.

Easter Memorials Form

2024 Holy Week Services

LEARN



Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

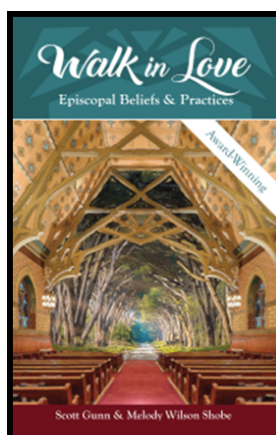
Join us for a St. Thomas' Book Event!

Please join us on **Saturday, March 16, at 2:00 pm in the Parish Hall** for a book discussion on *Self-Destruction: The Rise, Fall, and Redemption of U.S. Senator Daniel B. Brewster*, the new biography by John W. Frece. The Brewsters are longtime parishioners at St. Thomas', and Senator Brewster and his parents, grandparents, and other family members are buried in our cemetery. All are welcome, refreshments will be served, and books will be available for purchase.

Click the button below to **RSVP** and for more information about the book and event!

RSVP Here

Book Event Information



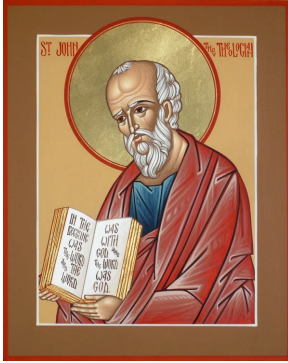
Adult Confirmation / Refresher / Inquirers Class

An opportunity for anyone who would like to be confirmed or received in the Episcopal Church or who would just like to learn more about our faith and church.

The program will run **Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom**. We will be using the book *Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices*. Copies are available in the Parish Office for \$20. Contact [Jane Farnan](#) for more information. **Participants should read chapter 16 for the next session on March 19.**

Tuesday Night Adult Confirmation Zoom

Monday evenings, April 8th through June 3rd



Spring Adult Bible Study

On **Monday, April 8th at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom**, the Bible study group will reconvene and read the first half of the Gospel of John, which was written by an eyewitness to Jesus' ministry, death, and resurrection. The author expressly wrote this gospel for you "so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that by believing, you may have life in His name."

Even if you have not read the Bible since confirmation class, or not at all, you're welcome to log on, speak and share, or just listen. There are no right answers or tests, only the willingness to read the Scriptures and to use supplemental resources of your choice.

Our weekly Zoom meetings will be at **7:00 pm, Monday nights from April 8th through June 3rd**. Contact [Jane Farnan](#) to receive your email invitation that includes the schedule, resource suggestions, and Zoom link. We look forward to your joining us!

"We Gather Together" A Grief Support Group

St. Thomas' will offer a 6-part program after Easter for those who have experienced, or are experiencing, a loss of any kind: a death, a relationship, a pet, a job etc. Each of these and other situations hold the potential for grieving, a 'normal' yet hard emotion to experience.

"We Gather Together" will meet **Tuesdays, beginning April 2nd through May 7th at 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the OSB**. Availability to attend all sessions is strongly encouraged. For questions and/or to sign up, email [Caroline Stewart](#).

Children's & Youth Ministries



Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. in the OSB!

Children ages 4-10 are invited to join us for fun activities and lessons in the Old School Building at 10:00 a.m. Drop-ins are always welcome! We invite children younger than 4 to join us as well, if accompanied by an adult.

To register for Children's and Youth programs or to volunteer, click [here](#).

Questions? Please contact the [Rev. Tom Murphy](#).

This Week's Activity Links

Pre-Reader

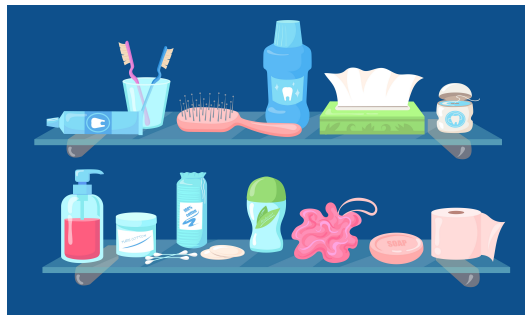
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Good Friday Offering

"On Good Friday, March 29, I invite you to remember the Anglican Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East through a gift to the Good Friday Offering. By supporting life-giving ministries in the province, including St. George's, Baghdad; the eye clinic in Ras Morbat, Yemen; the Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza; and numerous other institutions identified by their dioceses, you are ensuring that our siblings in Christ are not forgotten."

From a letter by The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop

St. Thomas' will donate our Good Friday Plate Offering to the GFO program. Join us in celebrating a century of gifts and rejoicing in 2000 years of Good News by clicking on the link/image below.



CLEAN, CLEAN, CLEAN

For the CCC - Community Crisis Center

Our friends at the Community Crisis Center (CCC) are in **urgent need** of cleaning and personal hygiene supplies they hand out to families in need. Please consider donating any of the items below. We would love to have items from each category. Thank you for your ongoing support!

For your house, laundry, & dishes:

Soaps (dishwashing, laundry, pods) • surface cleaners (Lysol, Pine Sol, etc.) • sponges • Clorox wipes

For your body, hair, teeth & hands:

Mouth wash • floss and floss type products • shampoo and conditioner • body wash • baby wash • hand and body lotions • deodorant • wipes • razors • shaving cream • sunscreen • lip balm • first-aid supplies (Band Aids, antibiotic and itch ointments) • over-the-counter pain relievers

For your baby and body:

Infant and larger-sized diapers • pull-ups • adult incontinence products • feminine hygiene products

Baskets for donations are located in the Narthex and Parish Hall on Sundays. During the week, donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office.



We're making contributing to St. Thomas' Church easy through our online system. No worries about finding stamps or envelopes. Click on the **Give Now** button below.

If you have not yet submitted your 2024 Pledge, please click [here](#).

[Make an online gift through Tithe.ly](#)

[Give Now](#)

2024 Stewardship Seasonal Reflections

GROW



July 8 - 12, 2024

Volunteers Needed for Paul's Place Summer Camp 2024 at St. Thomas' Church

St. Thomas' will be hosting the Paul's Place Summer Camp this summer, July 8-12, 2024. We are looking for volunteers of all ages to share their time and talents: middle and high schoolers, as well as adults. Earn community service hours too! Contact [Margaret Green](#) or [Candice Fisher](#) for more information.

Save the Date

The Green Team would like to invite parishioners to join us for a tour of the single stream recycling center for Baltimore County. This tour will answer any questions we may have as to what the recycling entails and how we impact our world when we participate in a recycling program. The tour will take place **Friday, April 26 at 9:30 a.m.** Watch for more details and a sign up in the coming weeks.

Our Preschool Needs Snacks

With the increased expense of food this year, St. Thomas' Preschool and Kindergarten is looking for donations of the following snack items to support our program...**wheat thins, pretzels, graham crackers and cheese balls. (No nuts please)** During the week, donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office. We appreciate your support!



**SPRING FLING IS ALMOST HERE...
AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

St. Thomas' Preschool and Kindergarten
is preparing for our annual fundraiser

 **SAVE THE DATE**
SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024
4:00 – 7:00PM AT ST. THOMAS'

This is our school's biggest fundraiser of the year and we are asking for donations to help fill our silent auction baskets. Please sign up if you can help. **SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW.** If you own a business and would like to donate a specific item, please sign up under "miscellaneous" (making note of the item). Thank you for your generosity in advance — your support of STPS is truly appreciated!

WITH GRATITUDE, STPS ADMINISTRATION & TEACHERS


Spring Fling

ST. THOMAS'
PRESCHOOL
AND KINDERGARTEN



The St. Thomas' Preschool Spring Fling is Almost Here and We Need Your Help!

We are looking for donations to help fill our silent auction baskets. Click on the button below to sign-up for items to donate. Thank you for your support!

[Spring Fling Auction Basket Donations](#)

[Registration for the 2024-2025 School Year is open! Click the button below to register online.](#)

Did you know that pledging members of St. Thomas' Church receive a discount in tuition? Contact [Nicole Norris](#) for more information.

[Access online registration here](#)

The Thursday Morning Group

COME JOIN THE FUN - ALL ARE WELCOME!

The group meets in the St. Thomas' Church Library **each Thursday at 9:30 a.m. to noon.** Friendship, laughter and stories are shared, as well as ideas for many different kinds of projects.



The Fellowship Team needs your help!

Please consider helping to provide items for our after-service fellowship!

[Sign up here](#)

JOIN US FOR YOGA!

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

Jessica from "My Purple Mat" presents

Thursday Chair & Gentle Yoga Infusion

10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall

Donation based (suggested donation: \$12-\$15)

For additional information visit: www.mypurplemat.com/events.

Prayer List

We pray for those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, and those who are lonely, especially Barbara, Carla, Danny, David, David J., Emma, Erik S., Ernest, Frances G., Frank, Jacqueline, Judith, June, Katharine, Leroy, Lidia, Lillian, Linda, Mary, Michael, Michael Z., Morgan, Randy, Robert, Sarah D., Sinead, Steve, Verna, and Walter G.; Give them all the joy of your saving help, and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

Evelyn K. (Lynn) Jarrett ~ Edwin B. (Ned) Jarrett, Jr.

Dr. & Mrs. Edwin B. Jarrett ~ Mr. & Mrs. Hiram C. Kipp

In our Parish Ministry Cycle of Prayer we give thanks for the Parish Office Volunteers.

DAILY READINGS

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