



Weekly Newsletter

Friday, April 26, 2024

WORSHIP

The Fifth Sunday of Easter Sunday, April 28, 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 OSB

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>

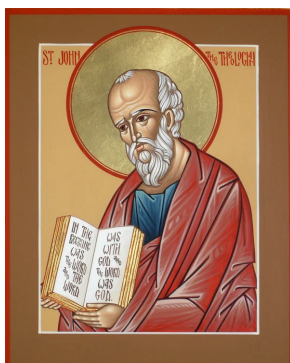
We also offer weekday worship services!

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

A special thanks to Kathie Metz, our accompanist, and Jon Waller, our Director, for sharing their time and talents with us this Sunday, April 28th at the 10:00 a.m. service. We are most grateful!

LEARN



Monday evenings through June 3rd at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom

Spring Adult Bible Study

The Adult Bible study group is reading 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.

Join us for our weekly Zoom meetings at **7:00 pm, Monday evenings 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!

Adult Bible Study Zoon Link

Children's & Youth Ministries



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

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](#).

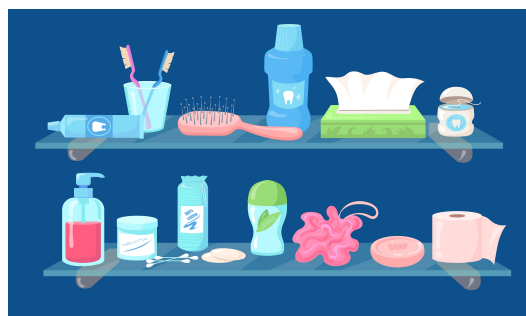
Questions? Please contact the [Rev. Tom Murphy](#).

This Week's Activity Links

Pre-Reader

Reader

GIVE



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



Recognition, Investiture, and Seating of the XV Bishop of Maryland

Saturday, April 27th at 11:00 a.m.

All are invited to for one of the most unique, festive and joyful traditions in The Episcopal Church: The Recognition and Investiture of a Diocesan Bishop. During the service, Bishop Carrie Schofield-Broadbent will be formally seated as the XV Bishop of Maryland on **Saturday, April 27 at 11:00 a.m.** at the Cathedral of the Incarnation. Livestream the service [HERE](#). The service will be recorded, for viewing at a later time.

Click the button below for more information.

Seating of the New Bishop



Save the Date! Newcomers Reception

Saturday, June 1st 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Welcome all newcomers — we are glad you are here! Join us for a reception **Saturday, June 1st from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Rectory.** To RSVP, please email [Jane Farnan](mailto:jane.farnan@stthomas.org).



Celebrating our 2024 Graduates!

Deadline for submissions is today - Friday, April 26th.

We are looking forward to celebrating our St. Thomas' 2024 Graduates **on Sunday, May 5th following the 10:00 a.m. service.** Join us in the Parish Hall for a special graduation cake!

Please send your graduate's name and photo, the school from which they will be graduating, and where they are heading next to [Jane Farnan](mailto:jane.farnan@stthomas.org).



Spring Campus Cleanup with the Green Team!

Sunday, May 5th following the 10:00 a.m. service

The Green Team is hosting a St. Thomas' Grounds cleanup in celebration of Rogation Sunday and our earth on **Sunday May 5th following the 10:00 a.m. service.**

Come to church in your work clothes, bring your favorite tools, and stay to help pick up trash along St. Thomas Lane, upgrade the Nature Trail, and add plants to the grounds.



A Cemetery Committee Rogation Sunday Event!

Saturday, May 4th 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 5th following the 10:00 a.m. service

Those parishioners with family headstones in need of cleaning are invited to participate in the headstone cleaning project, **Saturday, May 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or Sunday, May 5th following the 10:00 a.m. service.** Buckets, water and supplies will be provided, and we hope this gives everyone an opportunity to upkeep their family graves.

For those parishioners interested in helping to clean, please contact Wesley Finnerty by [**email**](mailto:) or cell [**\(410\) 215-0723**](tel:410-215-0723).



Bishop Sutton's Farewell Picnic

Sunday, May 5th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Claggett Center

Give thanks for Bishop Sutton's ministry and leadership over the past 16 years at his Farewell Picnic retirement celebration, **Sunday, May 5th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** at the Claggett Center in Adamstown, MD. Please bring a blanket or a camp chair. The program will start at 5:00 p.m.

Contributions to the Sutton Scholars High School Enrichment Program in honor of Bishop Sutton are also welcome. Collections will be presented at the event. To learn more about the Sutton Scholars program, click [**HERE**](#).

Click the button below to register and for more information about the event.

[**Bishop Sutton's Farewell Picnic**](#)



The St. Thomas' Preschool & Kindergarten Spring Fling is Saturday, May 4th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas'

Join us for a fun event to celebrate our school! St. Thomas' Preschool families, friends, and parishioners all are welcome to attend. All proceeds go directly back to our students and teachers!

Today is the last day to purchase event tickets for the Spring Fling! \$50/ticket. Pay by cash or check (*made payable to St. Thomas' Preschool*) and drop off at the school office, or online through Venmo.

50/50 Raffle Tickets will be available to purchase in person in the PH until Friday, May 3rd, and online through Venmo up to the day of the event, May 4th. 1 ticket for \$5 or 3 tickets for \$12. You do not need to be present to win. The winner will be announced during the event.

If you would like to purchase event tickets or 50/50 raffle tickets online, [Venmo](#) the STPS Parents Association [@StThomasPreschool-ParentsAssociation](#) (please note Spring Fling 50/50 and/or event tickets purchase in the comments).

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact [Nicole Norris](#), STPS Director. **Please see the flyer below for more details.**

Thank you for your support! We hope to see you there!

ST. THOMAS'
PRESCHOOL
AND KINDERGARTEN



Spring Fling

SILENT AUCTION & RAFFLE

Saturday, May 4, 2024

4:00 - 7:00 pm

St. Thomas' School
232 St. Thomas Lane Owings Mills, MD 21117

Lots of great auction items including:

foodie baskets, entertainment events, overnight get-aways
plus raffles, live music, a photo booth, and so much more!

We hope to see you there!

Ticket sales via Venmo
\$50.00/person
includes wine, beer, & food

*Please include your name with payment

*All money from auction & ticket sales goes
to St. Thomas' Preschool & Kindergarten*



venmo

StThomasPreschool-ParentsAssoc

on sale now
in Parish Hall!



50/50
RAFFLE

\$5.00 Tickets
or 3/\$12



Wagon
of Wine
RAFFLE

\$5.00 Tickets
or 3/\$12



*need not be present to win -- *This event is sponsored by the PA of STPS*

SPREAD THE WORD

CALLING ALL SOON-TO-BE KINDERGARTENERS!

We have room in our Kindergarten Class for 2024-2025. Take a tour today!

Extended hours available in the Fall!

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](#)



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 - **NO NUTS, PLEASE!**

- wheat thins
- pretzels
- graham crackers
- cheese balls

During the week, donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office. We appreciate your support!



The Fellowship Team needs your help!

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

[Sign up 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.

New Time and Place for Spring and Summer!

CHAIR YOGA AT MY PURPLE MAT

With spring and summer around the corner and people traveling more, Jessica will resume yoga at St. Thomas' in the fall. Join her at My Purple Mat studio.

Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m.

Chair & Gentle Yoga Infusion at My Purple Mat

100 Owings Court, Suite 14

Reisterstown, MD 21136

Registration is required as space is limited. Cost: \$15-17 per session. Click [HERE](#) to register and for additional information.

We pray for those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, and those who are lonely, especially Allannah, Barbara L., David, David G., Emma, Eric P., Eric S., Ernest, Frances G., Gee, Harry G., Jacqueline, Joan H., Judith, Katharine, Kathleen D., Lidia, Linda, Michael, Michael Z., Morgan, Nick, 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:
Latimer Small Stewart, Sr. ~ Latimer Small Stewart, Jr. ~ Eleanor Wesley Stewart*

In our Parish Ministry Cycle of Prayer we give thanks for the Sunday School Teachers.

DAILY READINGS

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