

— **Announcements** —

Sunday, February 22, 2026

Coffee Hour: Please join your hosts *Pam & Dave Hazen* after the service in the hall for a cup of hot coffee or tea and some treats.

Loonies For Lent: Once again, our Loonies for Lent jar is just inside the entrance to the church ready to receive loonies and toonies and more. It will remain there throughout Lent. All proceeds will go to St Thomas Outreach.

Contemplative Prayer and Meditation: Join us in the sanctuary on **Thursdays at 10:00 am, starting Feb 19 and continuing through Lent.**

ACW: The next meeting is on **Monday March 2nd, 2026, at 1:00pm** in the Council Room. All St. Thomas ladies are welcome to attend. Breakfast food for Banting School will be our Outreach for the month of March.

Living in the Light": Lenten Study: It is not too late to join our Lenten Study on **Wednesdays**. Our next meeting will be on **March 4, 11, 18, & 25 at St. Thomas' from 1–2pm**. Journey with a people coming to terms with their relationship with God, and the struggle of holding onto faith in difficult circumstances. In the New Testament we look at Jesus and his own struggles against temptation, but also the developing picture of who Jesus is and what that means for us all. **Please contact William Passmore at 613-836-2876 for more info** or sign up in the Narthex. This study can be done privately or on Zoom Wednesday evenings

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Prayer and a Pint: Our men's group will be meeting on **Thursday, 5th March, 2026 at 7.15pm in the Council Room.** We will have a discussion and theological reflection on current news issues. All men are welcome to attend. Please contact William at 613-836-2876 for more information.

Fundscrip: Fundscrip orders are due by **Sunday, March 8th at 9:00 pm.** Please email your order to stthomasfundscrip@gmail.com.

Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program: Basic Training will begin **Monday, March 9th, 2026, and run weekly until May 11, 2026.** For full details, visit: <https://ottawapastoralcare.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/S2026-Basic-Course-Brochure.pdf>

Parish Council: The first meeting of the new Vestry year will be on **Thursday, March 12, 2026, at 7:00 pm in the Council Room.**

Easter Flowers: Please use the white envelopes, for your flower donations, found in the Narthex (next to bulletin board). Fill in the information and return to the office, to Arlene, or place on collection plate. **The deadline is March 22nd, 2026.**

Palm Crosses: We will make our palm crosses **at 10:00 a.m. on Friday March 27th in the Council Room.** Anyone wishing to come and help is welcome. See you there!

Palm Sunday—The Passion Narrative: Please email Bonnie pbmcnally@bell.net if you are interested in a reading part in our Passion Narrative.

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Tax Receipts: Tax receipts have been mailed out. Please let us know if you do not receive yours.