

St. Thomas The Apostle Anglican Church

110 Francis Street, Cambridge ON, N1S 2A1

"KEEPING IN TOUCH – April 2022"

COVID-19 UPDATE: Effective Palm Sunday (Apr 10), the diocese will no longer require 6' distancing in the church, though masks will still be required. In order to ensure that all of our parishioners feel comfortable returning to "in person" worship, **please let Pastor Steve, Rick Furnival or Kathy Brown know by Sunday, April 3rd which of these 2 options you would prefer:**

- 1) retain social distancing in 1/2 of the church and open up the other pews completely, or
- 2) completely remove the distancing requirement altogether

The services will continue to be live-streamed to our Facebook page for people who would prefer to watch from home and will be uploaded to our website later on.

Website: <https://www.stthomascambridge.ca/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/St.Thomas.the.Apostle.Cambridge>

A FEW DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR



- Thursdays ** (1:00-1:45 pm)** **"Mid Week Holy Eucharist":** For anyone who prefers a smaller service with fewer people -> please contact Pastor Steve at (226) 755-0903 if you would like to attend.
- Thursdays (3:30-4:30 pm)** **"Lent with Leah":** Every Thursday in Lent, our very talented Leah will be playing music in the church. Come and sit back, listen to the music and enjoy some independent prayer and reflection time.
- Sat Apr 2 & 9 (10am-noon)** **Death, Dying and Grief:** As Christ-followers, join Pastor Steve, Canon Karen and Dr. Eunice Gorman, as we learn how to faithfully wrestle with death, dying and grief, where can we find help/resources, how we have been affected by a death. These last 2 sessions will be at St. Luke's.
- Thur Apr 7 (1:30-3:30 pm)** **"Wheel of Fortune":** Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy a friendly game of "Wheel of Fortune" in the church hall. Masking is required and since we are still not allowed to serve refreshments, please bring along your own drink if you wish.
- Thur Apr 14 (11am-4 pm)** **Baking for The Bridges:** If you are able to help provide some goodies for our neighbours at The Bridges (maybe Easter themed?), please bring them to St. Tom's in a sealed container on the 14th.

**** HOLY WEEK SERVICES ****



Mon Apr 11 (7pm)	at St. Tom's:	Holy Monday – Evening Prayer
Tues Apr 12 (7pm)	at St. Luke's:	Holy Tuesday – Evening Prayer
Wed Apr 13 (7pm)	at St. Tom's:	Holy Wednesday – Evening Prayer
Thur Apr 14 (7pm)	at St. Tom's:	Maundy Thursday – Holy Eucharist
Fri Apr 15 (10:30)	at St. Luke's:	Good Friday – Meditation of the Cross
Sat Apr 16 (7:30pm)	at St. John's:	"Joint" Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Service
Sun Apr 17 (9am)	at St. Tom's:	Easter Sunday – Holy Eucharist

ALTAR FLOWERS



Now that we are back in church "in person", there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for people to choose a date to place flowers on the altar. Flowers can be placed "*in memory*" or "*in thanksgiving*" of loved ones or "*in celebration*" of a special anniversary. You are welcome to either buy your own flowers and bring them to the church, or if you give your donation to Sharon Furnival, she is very happy to buy suitable flowers for you and arrange them at the church on the Sunday you have chosen. Any donations for Easter Flowers can also be given to Sharon.

WISDOM

Proverbs 4: 20-27



- 20 My son, pay attention to what I say; turn your ears to my words.
- 21 Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within your heart
- 22 for they are life to those who find them and health to one's whole body
- 23 Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.
- 24 Keep your mouth free of perversity; keep corrupt talk far from your lips.
- 25 Let your eyes look straight ahead; fix your gaze directly before you.
- 26 Give careful thought to the paths for your feet and be steadfast in all your way.
- 27 Do not turn to the right or the left; keep your foot from evil.

Commentary (by Nicky Gumbel) → Walk wisely!

You have a part to play in responding to God's call, staying on his paths, living wisely and thereby making something beautiful out of your life. In this passage we see four areas in particular that you need to watch if you want to enjoy victory over temptation:

- (1) what you think about (2) what you say (3) what you look at (4) where you go

Lord, please put a watch over my tongue and a guard over my heart. Help me to walk wisely today.



SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2022 AT 2 PM
Brian Smith's 90th birthday

Please join us for a reception at the Grand Valley Golf & Country Club (1910 Roseville Road) on Saturday, May 7th at 2:00 pm to celebrate Brian's 90th birthday!

Please RSVP to David Smith (519) 497-2283

PS. You must be double-vaccinated to attend the indoor event. ☺

The Huron Hispanic & Migrant Farmworkers Outreach Ministry

Please pray for this new and exciting Diocese of Huron ministry initiative and consider either:

(a) donating men's clothing (*pants, sweaters, t-shirts, warm jackets, socks, gloves and toques*) in clean and good condition, or

(b) making a financial donation (payable to: **St. John's Port Rowan Anglican Church** and marked as "Huron Hispanic & Migrant Farmworkers Outreach Ministry")

Pastor Steve will arrange for all donations to be delivered to Father Enrique Martinez at Long Point Bay Parish. Note: the program is starting in Norfolk County but they are hoping to expand to other areas of the diocese as this ministry unfolds.



PWRDF, Deanery of Waterloo Refugee Committee & Canadian Boys' 1st Birthday

What is the relationship between the Primate's World Relief & Development Fund, our Deanery of Waterloo Refugee Committee, and our 2 wee parishioners who are celebrating their 1st birthday?

1. Some of your donations to **PWRDF** have gone to the Kakuma Refugee Camp in Kenya to provide medical supplies necessary to fight Covid.
2. In 2019, the **Waterloo Deanery Refugee Committee** helped our parishioners, James and Esperance and their children to immigrate from Kakuma to Cambridge.
3. On March 29, 2021, James, Esperance, Cedric and Ariane welcomed their Canadian twins, Ian and Ryan. Ian and Ryan just celebrated their 1st birthday! Esperance sent this photo along with a note:

Hello Everyone,

How are you doing? It's been a while since we talked. We are grateful God is Faithful and good to us.

Still living in Cambridge but we are on Main Street now.

Just wanted to let you know that the twins are turning 1 year old on March 29. They are almost walking.

We are grateful to God.



This is what PWRDF can do with your donations. Don't forget to use your blue envelopes.

PASTOR'S PONDERINGS



He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death; burst their bonds apart

-Psalm 107:14

He is risen!! Hallelujah!!! Our Saviour lives and His promises have again been fulfilled! These words echo within the rafters of our churches. We have endured the forty days of Lent and we now begin the fifty days of the Eastertide. God's self-revelation in the Easter event comes to us as a call to spread the Good News of redemption, liberation and of our commissioning to mission and service. We recall the women who first found the Empty Tomb and their zeal to inform the Disciples that Christ is risen indeed!

Ancient tradition teaches that the Resurrection of Jesus marks a new beginning, a chance to rejoice in God's renewal of creation. The late Orthodox theologian Alexander Schmemmann handed on this teaching, "God did not create the world for this separation, dying, ruin and corruption...The Resurrection is the re-creation of the world in its original beauty and totality." The resurrection is for all time!! In His death and rising to life again, Jesus gave Himself as a sign of the new and eternal covenant that God is always with us. In giving of Himself, He opened to us a way of freedom and peace. We profess these things in our Eucharistic prayers each week and in our hearts at every moment.

As children of the resurrection, as children of the resurrected God, Jesus not only conquered death, but He also ushered in Life! Not only spiritual life, but full and abundant life, physical and spiritual. He now reigns as the Lord of Life. The Lord who gives new life to His creation-beginning with us!

We belt out, "Jesus Christ is risen today, Hallelujah!" A testament that He has crushed open the finality of death, solidified the defining moment of the liberation of Humanity and testifies to our eventual resurrection.

Indeed, hallelujah, hallelujah, Jesus has brought us out of darkness and the shadow of death and has burst our bonds of sin and death apart...hallelujah, indeed!

Trivia Questions

1. Which Saint and Apostle is celebrated in April (according to the Anglican tradition)? The colour of the day and why?
2. What is ***Tenebrae*** and why is this service important?
3. What is the Greek and Latin word for *Easter*?
4. What is the name of the Sunday after Easter Sunday? Hint: Sunday, April 24
5. How many days in the Easter season? 5b) When is the last day? 5c) What do we do specifically in our Sunday services to celebrate the Eastertide?

EASTER WORD SEARCH



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SON OF GOD
 TOMB
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 CALVARY
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 NAILS

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 CRUCIFIXION
 PILATE
 HIGH PRIEST
 PASSOVER
 SUNDAY

A Chat with MIKE DOOLEY... Part 2: *two more love stories*

by Susan Grenville

Parishioners and friends of Mike Dooley have asked when the continuing story of his life would appear in *Keeping in Touch*. 30 years ago, he married Kathy Ellis...his second love story we have been fortunate to witness. *BUT*, Mike's story has an even more fascinating chapter.

In Part 1, Mike told me that he had been adopted by Len and Louise Dooley from a Catholic orphanage in St. Agatha when he was 6 months old. He once tried to seek out his birth parents, but didn't pursue it while his adoptive mother was still alive. At age 72, though, he wanted to know his medical family history, and turned to the [ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com) DNA Testing Service, to learn if he could locate any relatives. When his DNA results arrived in the mail in January 2021, he was amazed to learn that he was 89% French, and there was a DNA match to a first cousin, Richard Foucault. At the same time, a man named Marc, who was researching his Foucault family tree, received an email from [ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com), identifying a Mike Dooley as a relative. Marc wrote to Mike, questioning "why this very Irish name was showing up on a very French family tree".

Mike's adoption papers had identified his birth name as Paul Joseph Foucault, born in Galt, and he now had a strong link to a Foucault family. Marc offered to help Mike to find his birth parents, and based on his own family research, he thought Mike's birth mother should be one of the daughters of a certain Espinola, Ontario family. With much care and respect for that family's privacy, Marc contacted a relative who knew the family, to make a discreet inquiry if they would like to pursue contact with Mike Dooley. Kathy provided him with photos of Mike.

On Family Day 2021, the Dooleys received an email from a woman named Jocelyne, who said she thought she may be a sister of Mike; she was also doing her own DNA test to confirm. *What a Family Day!* Jocelyne spoke to 2 of her sisters, and they were convinced once they saw photos of Mike, who was a ringer for both a brother and his mother. In April, the 3 sisters arranged a ZOOM meeting with Mike and Kathy. Here is how they greeted Mike that first time:



Mike learned that he is the oldest of 10 siblings, 4 sisters, 2 brothers, and 3 previously deceased, the children of Bernadette and Adolphe. When young Bernadette became pregnant, her parents sent her to stay with an uncle in Galt, where her son was born and given up for adoption. Adolphe, the father of baby, followed her, and they eventually married. Their next 3 children were born in Galt, before they moved back to Espinola. None of the siblings knew they had an older brother, but when they met Mike and Kathy in May 2021, they were shocked at how Mike's looks and mannerisms were so like their mother's. Mike says that he was not prepared for the level of acceptance of his birth family and that "within 15 minutes, it was as if we had known each other our whole lives. In a most poignant moment, his siblings sent Mike a parcel containing his Dad's prayer book, a rosary, his cribbage board, and a pair of his mother's ruby earrings, which Mike gave to his own daughter, Colleen.



The siblings have visited back and forth 7 times, and Mike hears from one or more of them every couple of days. One day in downtown Espinola with a sister, another townspeople greeted them with "Is that your brother?"

As his sisters posted on Facebook after their first in-person meeting...*And then there were 7.*

ANSWERS TO EASTER WORD SEARCH



TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Mark the Evangelist is celebrated on April 25th. His colour is “Red” (the colour of martyrdom). When Mark returned to Alexandria, the pagans of the city resented his efforts to turn the citizens away from the worship of their traditional gods. In 68 AD/CE, the mob placed a rope around his neck and dragged him through the streets until he was dead.
2. *Tenebrae* is Latin for “darkness” or “shadows”. Originally it was celebrated in the evenings of the last three days of Holy Week (Holy Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday). During the service there is the gradual extinguishing of candles (on the candelabra) and other lights in the church until only a single candle, considered a symbol of our Lord, remains. At the very end of the service a loud noise is made (known as ***strepitus***) symbolizing the earthquake at the time of the Resurrection (Matt. 28:2).
3. Pascha
4. Traditionally known as “Low Sunday”, this is the Octave (“Eighth”) Day of Easter.
5. (a) 50 (b) Pentecost (this year celebrated on June 5th) (c) The Paschal candle is lit for every service AND the dismissal ends with a single Alleluia (until the Day of Pentecost-when it is doubled again!)