Announcements

<u>Coffee Hour:</u> Please join your hosts, *Judy & Dave Dallaway*, downstairs after the service for some tasty treats, juice, coffee or tea.

<u>Church Calendars:</u> There are 2 calendars left in the office for pick up. \$6.00 each.

<u>Clothing Drive:</u> We are currently accepting donations of gently used like-new clothing for our upcoming Next to New Clothing Sale. While there is a particular need for men's clothing, we welcome contributions of women's, children's, infants, indoor, and outdoor apparel. All items should be in excellent condition, suitable for resale and use by members of our community.

Office News: Carolyn will be away on *Tuesday, October 28, 2025*; and the office will be closed.

Next to New Blowout Clothing Sale: Time to mark your calendars and spread the word—the ACW will hold their next sale on *Friday, November 7th from 1 until* 5 pm, and Saturday, November 8th, from 9 until 1 pm.

<u>A.C.W.:</u> Our next meeting will take place on *Monday, November 3, 2025 at 1:00 pm* in the council room. All women of St. Thomas parish are invited to join. Guest Speaker from Frederick Banting Alternative School. Our Outreach for November are treats for the students at Banting. i.e. small chocolate bars, small tins of pop, small bags of chips, protein bars.

<u>Prayer and a Pint:</u> The next meeting will take place on *Thursday, November 6, 2026 at 7:15 pm in the Council Room*. Our guest speaker will be John Peters from the SHED movement. For further information, please contact William Passmore at 613-836-2876.

<u>Parish Council:</u> The next Parish Council meeting will be on *Thursday, November 13, 2025*. It will begin at *7:00 pm* and will be held in the *Council Room*.

Gift Baskets for the Snowflake Bazaar: Items may now be brought in until Sunday November 16th. You may put them in the plastic tote labelled "Gift baskets" found in the Council Room. Gift cards (including receipts) or donations may be put in the coloured envelopes found in the Narthex. You can put them on the collection plate, hand them in to the office, or give them directly to Arlene.

<u>Snowflake Bazaar and Luncheon:</u> An integral part of the Snowflake Bazaar is the luncheon. The elves in the kitchen have put a sign up sheet at the back of the church looking for cookies, squares or soups makers. If you can help, please add your name.

<u>People's Pulpit:</u> Advent will be coming along shortly and with it the next edition of the People's Pulpit. Recipes, book reviews, funny stories and items about past, continuing or upcoming events in the church are always welcome. Please send items to Mary Anne Reinhard <u>mareinhard1@outlook.com</u> by Sunday, Nov. 16th.