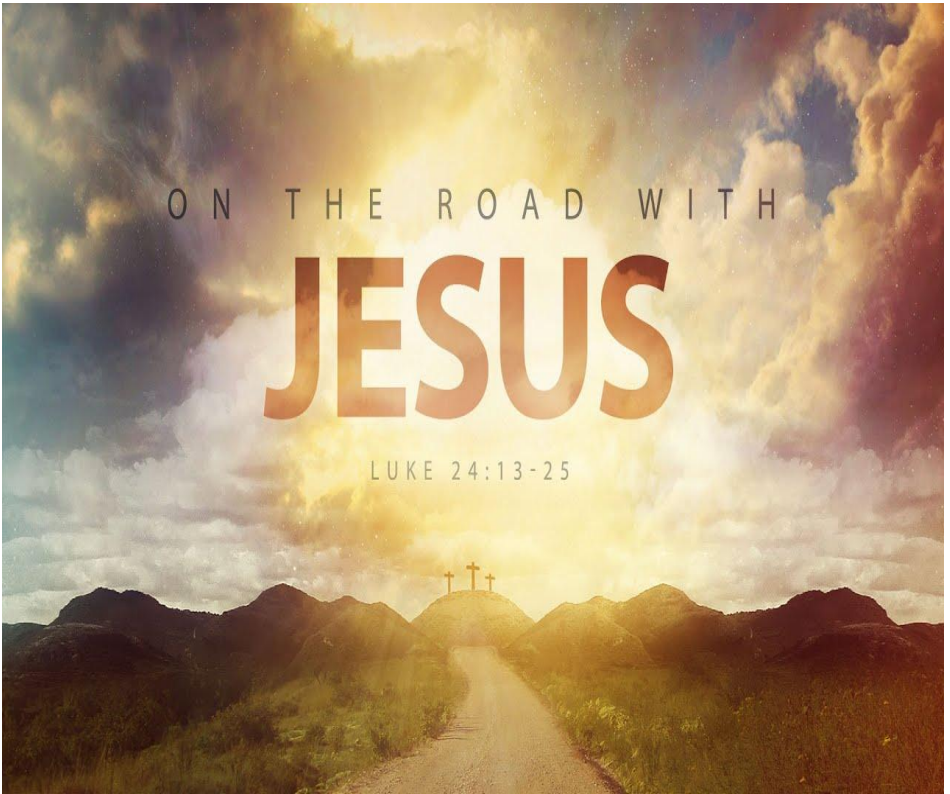


**Anglican Parish  
of Fall River & Oakfield  
Sunday, April 19, 2026  
Third Sunday of Easter**



**9:00 am St. Margaret's, Oakfield  
10:30 am St. Thomas, Fall River  
\*\* Recording from St. Margaret's**

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Update from the Rector

Dear friends,

The daffodil heads are poking up at St. Margaret's and St. Thomas, reminding us of the Easter experience of resurrection. Dorothy Swift has just dropped by the office with a small gift of fresh maple syrup from some of her trees. Yes, it's spring!

We are now underway with the KD Lunch Wednesdays, from noon till 12:40 p.m. for young people from Lockview High School. The lunches provide a healthy walk through the locks, a safe social place for young folks and food security for those who may need a mid-day bite to eat. In addition to serving up to 40 guests with KD, carrots and bananas, we are sending about 100 servings to the school.



Bishop Sandra Fyfe came to visit us on Wednesday, April 15, celebrating Eucharist with us, joining us for a lunch (amazing quiche by Janice Mitchell) and then pitching in to serve up the cheesy noodles. The bishop is a great blessing to our diocese.



We continue to welcome donations of KD (and some sweets) for this effort. This pilot project is an ecumenical project funded by the Cobequid Food Security Network, with volunteers from both of our churches, St. Rose of Lima, St. John's United and Fall River Chapel. In May, the location shifts to St. John's, along with some of our team members. It's bringing our communities together in unanticipated ways.

Meanwhile, as I type this, I'm thinking about our second Family evening supper circle Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup> (and then on Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup>), which the Ways and Means committee at St. Thomas is providing a meal for. There are puppets, crafts, songs for younger children and their adults. My friend Aaron Kim has been helping with music in between bouncing his new baby Liam on his chest. We are hoping, gradually, that families can also join us at services as they become more comfortable with our churches. Again, let me know if this is a ministry (every third Saturday at 4:30 p.m. till



6 p.m.) that would fill your body and soul. And then, a week later, St. Margaret's is hosting their major fundraiser at the Oakfield golf and country club, which involves dinner and dancing (the Charleston!) and their ever-popular silent auction. (See the bulletin and website [www.stmargaretsstthomas.ca](http://www.stmargaretsstthomas.ca)).

Finally, and of great importance, we're getting underway with our Parish Mission Action Plan, which is being led by consultant Gillian Doucet-Campbell, who has done stellar visioning work with Anglican parishes and diocese across Canada. She's full of the Spirit and eager to hear our ideas as the advisory team of about 10 to 12 people form around her (and myself) on Sunday, April 19 (at 11:30 a.m. at St. Thomas) for an organizational meeting. She's also interested in attending groups and hearing from individuals and we'll be finding ways for many voices to be heard as we create the roadmap for our parish for the years to come on everything from music to visionary fundraising and stewardship.

So, all this to say, the Lord is Risen! And He is indeed risen as we seek ways to make His presence known in these communities along the lakes.

With love,  
Michael+

# **THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE**

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the

scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**LUKE 24:13-35**



# The Supper Circle

for kids and their grown ups

Saturday, April 18

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm

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## Secret Gardens of Oakfield

### *A Hidden Garden Tour*

Join us for a unique and enchanting afternoon as we quietly unveil a collection of beautiful private gardens in our community.

 **Saturday, June 13**

 **1:00 – 3:30 PM**

 **Rain Date:**

Sunday, June 14

Guests will begin at

**St. Margaret's Anglican Church,**

where they will receive their garden

map and set off to explore at their own pace.

Following the tour, enjoy a relaxed outdoor gathering on the church grounds with tea, lemonade, and sweet treats beneath the trees.

 **Tickets: \$25**

Limited to **80 guests**

To purchase tickets, please contact:

**Lynn Morrison 902-266-8530, Lori Naugle 902-890-7611**

### **What to Expect**

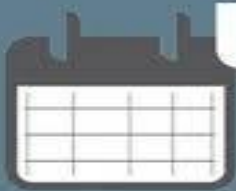
- Walking through natural garden paths and longer driveways
- Comfortable shoes recommended
- Sunscreen & hats encouraged
- No dogs please

Gardens remain a surprise until the day of the tour

- Please respect the gardens — no picking or clippings

*All proceeds will support the development of our Labyrinth Project.*





# Upcoming Meeting

## Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm at St.  
Margaret's

## St. Thomas Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at St.  
Thomas



# Rum Runners and Their Secrets

## 2026 Annual Dinner & Silent Auction

Join **St. Margaret's Anglican Church** for our annual Dinner and Silent Auction on **Saturday, April 25, 2026**, at **Oakfield Golf & Country Club**.

Inspired by Nova Scotia's rum-running era beginning in 1921 — when ships waited beyond the 12-mile limit and smaller vessels carried spirits into hidden Atlantic coves — this year's theme celebrates a colourful chapter of our maritime history.



### Evening Schedule

6:00 pm - Cocktails

6:45 pm - Dinner

Your \$75 ticket includes dinner, wine, silent auction access, baked goods, and a spirited atmosphere. To purchase tickets, please contact

[jbmoody007@yahoo.ca](mailto:jbmoody007@yahoo.ca) or [lynnpmorrison@gmail.com](mailto:lynnpmorrison@gmail.com)

Proceeds support the ministry and outreach of our parish as we continue serving and extending our reach into the community.

# Food Bank - Top 10 – April 2026

1. Canned soup
3. Pasta
5. Boxed cereal
7. Granola bars
9. Juice

2. Canned meat
4. Canned milk
6. Oatmeal
8. Fruit cups
10. Crackers



**We ask your prayers for: Irene Saxton (Goldie's sister); The family of Wayne Kristiansen; Bill Peters, (friend of Goldie); Wilf Carr; Kelly Godfrey (daughter of Goldie & John); Zane Jordan (Doris Bishop's grandson); Catherine Walker; Shirley McNaughton; Betty Pattison; Lisa and Julie (Blair Hill's daughters).**

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Jesus Shaped People”**

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**“If God is way up there in Heaven,  
shouldn’t I pray a lot louder?”**