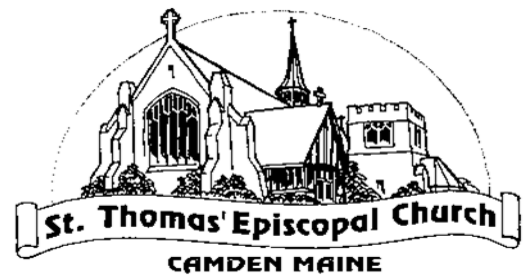


St. Thomas' Tidings

Sunday, June 28, 2020

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

We welcome all who enter these doors, especially those who enter for the first time or after a long absence. Everyone is welcome! All are welcome to receive the Bread and Wine at this altar.



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Diocese-Wide Service This Sunday

Sunday, June 28, we will stream the Diocesan monthly service. The Eucharist service will feature a sermon by our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Thomas Brown, and include people and music from around the diocese. The link will be posted on our website starting Saturday evening—so all you 7:30-service people can watch it as early as you'd like! You 10:00-service people can watch it at your leisure, with slippers and coffee if *you'd* like!



Kristian Kibler is entering his junior year at Maine Maritime Academy, majoring in marine engineering. He won a U.S. Navy scholarship that pays his tuition. The Richard I. Thomas Scholarship helps to cover his other expenses.

Update from Richard I. Thomas Scholarship Recipient

Throughout the past two years while attending Maine Maritime Academy, I have without a doubt faced many challenges. Specifically, these past

two semesters were some of the hardest. Between overloading on credits, playing varsity sports, and keeping a good standing in the ROTC unit, I didn't have a lot of free time.

Through these challenges I have experienced some successes as well. Receiving a full-ride scholarship from the United States Navy is one of the biggest highlights of this past year. To do this I had to get stellar grades, build my resumé, excel in the ROTC unit, and receive very good physical fitness scores. Looking at my past during high school, few people would think this was an achievable goal. Eventually I figured out how to study the right way, gain leadership experience, and work on my physical fitness every day. I even made it a goal to run the Maine Marathon in October, which led me to run another marathon in December.

Although my naval scholarship covers the bulk of my cost to attend Maine Maritime, there are many other fees that I have to pay out of pocket to keep going back. The financial assistance of St. Thomas' Church helps me tremendously each year by allowing me to buy all of the necessary books and materials needed to be successful. Having gone to St. Thomas' ever since I was a child, I know that I would not be the person I am today without the help of all the supportive people I have met there.

Thank you for helping me grow and be successful during my journey.—
Kristian Kibler



What Hymns Do You Want to Sing?

This summer we're encouraging everyone to let us know what hymns you would particularly like to hear this summer. We might not yet be able to sing them together, but we can sing them as loudly as we want from home! If you listen really carefully, you might even hear your fellow parishioners singing....

So send your suggestions to Clarissa at voxhumana711@gmail.com, and we'll see how many of your favorites we can schedule.

Do you need a Prayer Book or Hymnal Delivered to You?

Speaking of hymns and singing—St. Thomas' will deliver hymnals or prayer books to you to use until we reopen the church, to help you sing along with the hymns on Sunday and follow the Eucharist, Compline, and Noonday Prayer if you don't have access to a computer or a printer. We ask that you keep these at your home until we reopen, and after we reopen you should bring them with you on Sundays and take them home again, because we won't have books back in the pews for a few more months. Let Susie know if you need them: 236-3680, admin@stthomascamdenme.org.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

During Our Time Apart

I will be saying a birthday prayer for those who have birthdays, and a special anniversary prayer for those with anniversaries, as we livestream services. Please let us know if you are having either one of those, or had one between March 15 and now.

Let me know by emailing me at rector@stthomascamdenme.org. If you would like your age, or number of years married, announced, let me know that, too. It's entirely up to you. I'm looking forward to saying a special prayer just for you. — Lisa+

While the Rector is on vacation, there will be no Coffee & Check-In, Rector's Class, Compline, or 'Virtual' Coffee Hour, or Noonday Prayer. All services and check-in will resume June 29.

Presiding Bishop Curry has asked that Episcopalians pray this prayer from Pentecost through September 1.

A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit Among the People of God

God of all power and love,
we give thanks for your unfailing presence
and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss
Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire.
Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world;
a people who pray, worship, learn,
break bread, share life, heal neighbors,
bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit.
Wherever and however we gather,
unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission,
that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer List

Please pray for those members of this parish and others who are in special need:

Short-term: *Gwen Prosser; Kevin; Edward; Jeremy Tucker; the Brooks family; Paula; Sandra A.; Robert Pearson; Dustin; Hunter Fierro; Tadd Lyman; Harry Hart; Ada Power; Larry Parker; Bayard Chanler; Carol; Marcie Vega; Vicky and Bill.*

Long-term: *Shirley; Carolyn Moore; Arnie Joy; Maxine; Judith Shepherd; Ron; Andrew; Joanne Scott; Tiffany Andrews; Seana Roubinek; Carolyn Morris; Amy; Joan Pottle; Paul Whittaker; Anne; Sandy Lyle; Brian Fitzpatrick; Skip Groman; Lainie Vreeland; David Harper; Susan Conrad; Elaine.*

God of all, we pray for our departed, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.



**This Sunday
June 28, 2020**

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 22:1-14

Psalms 13

Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42

**Next Sunday
July 5, 2020**

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

Romans 7:15-25a

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Click [here](#) for This Week's Virtual Services, lessons, and Facebook links.



Calendar

Sunday, June 28

10:00 a.m.—Diocese-Wide Service—Facebook, YouTube. You can find the link on our website starting Saturday night.

No "Virtual" Coffee Hour **Host(s) needed!**

Monday, June 29

Rector Returns from Vacation

9:30 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

Tuesday, June 30

9:30 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

Wednesday, July 1

9:30 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.—Bible Study—Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

EfM is off for summer

8:00 p.m.—Compline—Facebook Live

Thursday, July 2

9:30 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

Friday, July 3

9:30 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

4:00 p.m.—Rector's Class—Zoom

Saturday, July 4

Youth Christian Education is off for summer

8:00 p.m.—Compline—Facebook Live

Sunday, July 5

10:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Facebook Live

Seeking "Virtual" Coffee Hour host(s)

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