

Thoughts From Pastor Barb:

Dear Ones,

I am so excited to get to know the St. Thomas, Port Clinton community. While I have been an Episcopalian my entire life, I am new being an ordained clergy person. I am looking forward to learning and growing in our Faith Journey together. I have been working as a social worker and therapist for 15 years; this has ground me in how we as humans cannot survive without the Love of God guiding us. I know change and transitions can be challenging for a community and I know we can show each other grace as we get to know each other and what our shared ministry will look and feel like. I am answering a Bivocational call, which means I will continue working as a therapist in private practice while serving part-time with you all at St. Thomas. I have faith that the ministry of St. Thomas to the community will still be full and show the love of God to whoever encounters us.

Peace+ Rev'd Barb

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SAINT THOMAS TIDINGS

Prayers of The People

Pray for anyone who suffers from any kind of grief, trouble or illness especially **Mary, Mark K., Danielle, Mark, Linda, Donna, Patty, Joe, Al, Ginger, Barry, Laura, Stephanie, Marilyn, Nancy, Bill, Diane, Nana Jo, Patricia K, Alec, David, Michael, Sue, and Catherine: Deliver them from their distress.** Pray for those serving in our armed forces especially, **Mitchell, Michael, Ethan, Emily, Alan, Chris and Chelsey, the 200th Red Horse Squadron, and the 983rd Combat Engineer Battalion.** **Protect, guide and comfort them and bring them home safely when their work is done.**

Prayer For Peace In The World

Lord, Healer of the Nations, from the noise of war and the drumbeat of vengeance, give us undiminished determination to wage peace. Out of brokenness, violence, and destruction let us plant seeds of hope. Out of chaos, confusion, and hatred, let us build bridges of love. Out of distrust, disunity, and distance, let us walk together in harmony. Heal our divisions, make us whole, and bring us peace. Amen. -Pastor Beverly

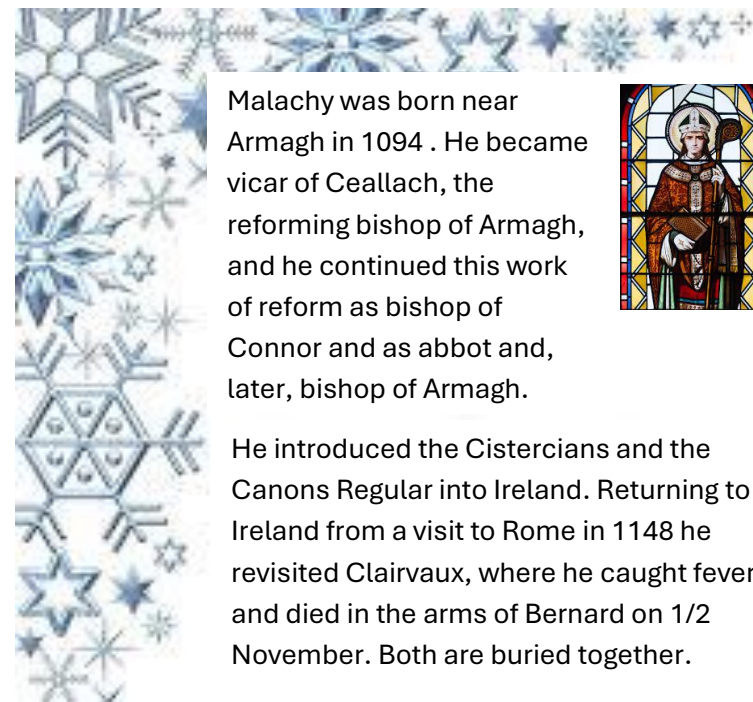
Upcoming Events

- **Ministry Opportunities**
- *Here are some ways to serve St. Thomas and our community.*
- **Ladies Luncheon:** December 3rd at Ciao Bella
- **Vestry Meeting:** December 17th at 4pm
- **Knitting Ministry:** December 2nd & 16th at noon

December

November 2025 Vestry Meeting

1. John reported that we are above budget on income and under budget on expenses. Investments are also up.
2. Larry reported that we are winterizing the church, and also clearing junk.
3. Larry also reported that food pantry bags need filled.



Malachy was born near Armagh in 1094 . He became vicar of Ceallach, the reforming bishop of Armagh, and he continued this work of reform as bishop of Connor and as abbot and, later, bishop of Armagh.



He introduced the Cistercians and the Canons Regular into Ireland. Returning to Ireland from a visit to Rome in 1148 he revisited Clairvaux, where he caught fever and died in the arms of Bernard on 1/2 November. Both are buried together.

Join us every Sunday at 10am for service or livestream is available at Episcopalportclinton.org

December Dispatch

December 1st, 1955 – Rosa Parks was arrested in Montgomery, AL for refusing to give up her seat.

December 2nd, 1982 – The first permanent artificial heart was implanted in 61-year-old Barney C. Clark.

December 4th, 1791 – *The Observer*, now the oldest Sunday newspaper in the world, was first published in Britain.

December 6th, 1865 – The 13th Amendment to the U.S Constitution was ratified abolishing slavery.



December 7, 1941 - The U.S. Naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, was **attacked** by nearly 200 Japanese aircraft in a raid that lasted just over one hour and left nearly 3,000 Americans dead.

December 14, 1799 - **George Washington** died at Mount Vernon.

December 19, 1732 - Benjamin Franklin first published *Poor Richard's Almanac* containing weather predictions, humor, proverbs and epigrams, eventually selling nearly 10,000 copies per year.

December 22, 1783 - Following a triumphant journey from New York to Annapolis, Maryland, **George Washington**, victorious Commander-in-Chief of the American Revolutionary Army, appeared before Congress and voluntarily resigned his commission.

December 23, 1888 - Dutch painter Vincent van Gogh cut off his left ear during a fit of depression.

December 25, 1868 - President Andrew Johnson granted general amnesty to all those involved in the Civil War.

December 31, 1879 - Thomas Edison provided the first public demonstration of his electric incandescent lamp at his laboratory in Menlo Park, New Jersey.



This Month's Birthday

Renee Stine – 7th

Pastor Bob Butcher – 23rd



Tyler Rodrigue-Hejhal – 18th

John Bolte – 24th

Homemade Hot Apple Cider



-6 cups apple cider - ¼ cup real maple syrup - 2 cinnamon sticks

- 6 whole cloves - 6 whole allspice berries

-1 orange peel, cut into strips - 1 lemon peel, cut into strips

Gather the ingredients. Pour apple cider and maple syrup into a large stainless-steel saucepan. Place cinnamon sticks, cloves, allspice berries, orange peel, and lemon peel in the center of a square of washed cheesecloth; fold up the sides of the cheesecloth to enclose the bundle, then tie it up with a length of kitchen string. Drop the spice bundle into the cider mixture. Place the saucepan over moderate heat and cook until cider is very hot but not boiling, about 5 to 10 minutes. Remove cider from the heat. Discard the spice bundle. Ladle cider into big cups or mugs, adding a fresh cinnamon stick to each serving if desired.



Special Days In December

December 1st – National Christmas Lights Day

December 2nd – National Mutt Day

December 6th – St. Nicolas Day

December 9th – Christmas Card Day

December 15th – Bill of Rights Day

December 19th – National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day

December 22nd – Mathematics Day

December 25th – Christmas Day

December 28th – National Call a Friend Day

December 31st – New Year's Eve



Zodiac: Sagittarius – November 22nd – December 21st

Capricorn – December 22nd – January 19th

Birthstone: Turquoise, Tanzanite & Blue Zircon

Birth Flower: Holly & Narcissus

Weather Folklore: White Christmas, green Easter. Green Christmas, white Easter

