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A Message from Our Clergy Team

(By The Rev. Gillian Hoyer,
Associate Incumbent: Communications and Advancement)

Autumn is in the air. Crisp, cool mornings that turn to warm afternoons with brilliant blue skies once the fog burns away are now more common than the heat of summertime.

As the leaves on the trees begin to turn vibrant colours, our thoughts begin to turn to new beginnings. It doesn't matter how many years we have been out of school, or whether we are ushering the littles in our lives to school for the first time, September will probably always feel like a time of beginnings, turning points, and fresh starts.

Most of us haven't started school this September, but that doesn't mean that new beginnings and fresh starts are out of reach for us. After what was hopefully a quieter summer, with time for rejuvenation and reflection, this is a perfect time of year to take stock of our spiritual lives and our relationship with God.

As we start afresh this September, what do you need to leave behind? What things are getting in the way of your life with God and with each other?

What spiritual practices might you pick up to feed your soul? A rhythm of prayer? Walks in the majesty of the great outdoors we are surrounded by here in the Valley? A practice of gratitude and thankfulness? Something else?

Lamentations 3:22-23 reminds us, "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."

The love and mercy of God is new every morning: it is never too late to look for that fresh start in how we approach God and each other. It is never too late to start again. And even if we don't get it right the first time, God is there, offering unconditional love and mercy, and always happy for us to try again, and again, and again.

And so is your parish community. As a Christian family across the Valley we support and love and care for each other, living out the love and mercy of God, one morning at a time.

Gillian Hoyer

Welcome to The Rev. Christine Muise!

The Parish of the Valley gives a warm welcome to our newest clergy team member, the Rev. Christine Muise, who joined our community on 1 Sep from her previous appointment in British Columbia.



On Saturday, September 21st we gathered as a Parish of the Valley community to formally induct her as our new Associate Incumbent. Rev. Christine

is pictured here with her parish clergy teammates and the Venerable Patrick Stephens, Archdeacon of the Northwest.

The guest preacher for the service was the Most Reverend John Privett, retired Archbishop of Kootenay, who preached for the celebration of new ministry via video.

Please watch for an interview with Rev. Christine in the December issue of Revelation.



As Summer Ends (By Alexis Anderson, Editor)

As warm summer days give way to cooler, wetter weather, it's time for us to look around at the splendour that surrounds us. The leaves are turning, the squirrels are gathering and hoarding for the winter to come, and the rain fills our wells and nurtures those crops still in the ground. We could consider the rain to be useful but inconvenient, and at times uncomfortable; or we could accept it as the gift from God that it is, understanding that by sending us the rain, He sends us the very waters of life. In the temporal world it feeds our bodies; and in the spiritual world, as a sign of His eternal love for humankind, it feeds our souls. "Be glad, people of Zion, rejoice in the Lord your God, for He has given you the autumn rains because he is faithful. He sends you abundant showers, both autumn and spring rains, as before." (Joel 2:23).

Farewell to Lorna Sibley and Jennifer Cross

As they answer God's call to relocate closer to their families and to their roots, we say farewell as the Parish of the Valley to our valued licensed lay readers and cherished friends Lorna Sibley (moved to Truro, NS) and Jennifer Cross (moved near to St John's, NL). They will be sorely missed across our parish and at their home congregation of Holy Trinity Pembroke.

Across our parish, Lorna and Jen faithfully served by visiting parishioners in their homes and in care homes, by serving during services, by leading Morning and Evening Prayer, and even leading a winter walking program that combined movement with prayer. We wish them all the best in their new lives, their new churches, their new communities, and their new homes.



Summer Property Projects at Holy Trinity Pembroke

It was a very busy summer at Holy Trinity Pembroke. The old stained-glass windows in Aborn House were replaced with new, weather resistant ones that closely match those on the second floor. Energy efficient appliances were purchased to replace old refrigerators and freezers and to aid the ACW in their good works (huge thanks to Marie Cheesman for shepherding the New Horizons for Seniors grant that covered most of this cost). Some electrical upgrades were completed to ensure the safety of the church. Automatic door closers were installed on three church doors as required in this year's fire inspection. And the Columbarium project was completed at the cemetery (big thanks to Rob Hanson and Mike Johns for overseeing this gigantic project). In addition, a crack in the masonry in the lintel over the church's main entrance will be repaired this fall. "Commit your work to the Lord, and your plan will be established" (Proverbs 16:3).

Sean McCann In Concert

Tickets are going fast for the upcoming concert with well-known Canadian singer-songwriter Séan McCann, a founding member of the celebrated Newfoundland and Labrador band *Great Big Sea*. On Friday, October 18th at 7pm, Séan will play a solo acoustic concert in Holy Trinity Pembroke.

Tickets for the concert are \$40 in advance, and if any remain they will be \$50 at the door. Advance tickets can only be purchased through Séan's website. Séan will be

performing songs from the full length of his career, including many *Great Big Sea* favourites. More than 80% of tickets are already sold, so if you haven't yet gotten your ticket, don't miss out!



Tips for Donating to your Local Congregation

If you are donating to PWRDF and make your cheque out directly to PWRDF, your tax receipt will come from that agency. If you make the cheque out to your home church but put PWRDF on the memo line, your tax receipt will come from your home church.

If you are not using numbered envelopes issued to you, but would like a tax receipt for your donation, please ensure you put your name and address on your envelope. Cash not identified with name or address is considered an "open" offering and is not tax receipted.

When writing cheques, please write LEGIBLY to help us ensure accuracy when recording your donations.

Donations are welcome through any method, and you are encouraged to use your favourite; however some methods "cost" more than others. Due to processing costs, \$100 given through Tithely is actually \$96.70; through Canada Helps is \$96.00; and through PAR is \$99.70.

If you are donating to food banks or other "external" registered charities and make your cheque out directly to them, your tax receipt will come from them. If you make the cheque out to your home church but put the entity's name on the memo line, your tax receipt will come from your home church.

Our parish's cemeteries are not registered charities and thus cannot issue tax receipts. To make a tax deductible donation, make your cheque payable to your home congregation, with "Cemetery Fund" clergy written on the memo line.

Sponsor a Valley Bulletin!

Would you like to sponsor a colour Valley Bulletin, and offer it to the glory of God and in dedication of a special event, or in memory of loved ones? All members of the Parish of the Valley can now do so!

One of the main ways that we share in prayer and in fellowship across our parish on a weekly basis is through the Parish of the Valley Pew Bulletin. Each week, the clergy team and Gail in the office takes the prayer requests and events shared by our congregations and produces a joint bulletin to help keep us all informed and connected.

For the last three years, Holy Trinity Pembroke has offered a Valley Bulletin sponsorship program. For a donation, members of the Pembroke congregation have dedicated pew bulletins to the glory of God and in loving memory of a loved one or a special event (anniversary, birthday, baptism, wedding, etc). On weeks when the bulletin has been sponsored with a dedication, the office prints the bulletin for Holy Trinity in full colour.

Beginning in 2024, the Holy Trinity Pembroke Church Corporation has decided to direct all donations received from bulletin sponsorship to the Parish of the Valley Communications Fund, on top of the \$2,500 that has already been contributed to the communications fund in 2024 by Holy Trinity. Based on last year's sponsorship revenue, this means that approximately \$1,500 in additional funding will be added to our parish fund to support our shared communications efforts, whether that be special bulletins for services like baptisms and funerals, full colour bulletins, Revelations, website hosting costs, and so on.

Bulletin sponsorship can be offered for a donation of \$40, payable by cash or cheque to Holy Trinity Anglican Church (special event bulletins may be more). Please call Gail at the office at 613-732-4658 or email office@valleyanglicans.ca to make arrangements. 100% of the proceeds will benefit the Parish of the Valley's shared Communications Fund and you will receive a tax receipt from Holy Trinity at year-end.

Next Food Bank Sunday -
October 13th

Hello from the Churchwardens at Holy Trinity Pembroke

With autumn upon us, our world now shifts from vacation mode to our more predictable schedules. Almost seamlessly we find ourselves moving from the Labour Day Picnic to meeting schedules and preparations for Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas!

Bishop Shane's Episcopal Visit to Eganville in June to bid farewell to Rev. Claire was a terrific sendoff and we wish her well in her new posting. In late August we welcomed Rev. Christine to the parish and look forward to getting to know and work with her. It's not British Columbia, but we do like to think of the Ottawa Valley as 'God's country' and hope that she enjoys her time with us.

While the summer months usually denote a time of rest and relaxation, our Property Committee was kept busy with a few key projects. Many thanks to Mike Johns for taking the lead to bring down the huge aging maple at the back of the church. The job was extremely well done, and the church grounds are much improved as a result.



In addition, if you take a look at the front of Aborn House you will notice a lovely new picture window on the ground floor. It is remarkable how that one change has restored the look of the building to what it must have looked like when the building was first constructed, and the beautiful light that it sheds on the Board Room is an added bonus. Thank you to Peter Jacques for coordinating that job. The stained-glass windowpanes which were replaced are stored until we can determine what we might do with them.

Byron Ostrom continues to investigate air flow and circulation in the area over the back stairs where we have been experiencing occasional leaks in the spring with the hopes of solving that puzzle. Additional smaller jobs were completed along the way and we greatly appreciate the committee's oversight in ensuring that our church and property are so well maintained.

We were also fortunate to be able to replace our aging kitchen appliances with two new refrigerators and two convertible upright fridge/freezers thanks to the New Horizons for Seniors grant that the congregation received. They greatly expand our refrigeration and freezing capacity and we look forward to taking full advantage of the flexibility they provide. Coffee Hour is traditionally suspended during the months of July and August but the appliances were quickly put into service for a number of funerals. We are very grateful to our ACW for generously supporting the bereaved families and mourners with delicious luncheons.

Late summer was also a time of farewell for us with Licensed Lay Readers Lorna Sibley and Jennifer Cross both moving to different parts of the Maritimes. While we are delighted that they are able to return home, their loss – not only to Holy Trinity Pembroke, but the Parish of the Valley as a whole – will be significant. We miss their ready smiles, their kind and giving demeanors and those wry senses of humour.

And so, as the leaves begin to change, so do we. Enjoy the spectacle that is the fall colours and always be mindful of the many blessings that we have to be thankful for. Happy Thanksgiving!

Charles Cheesman, Rector's Warden
Mike Johns, People's Warden
Peter Jacques, Deputy Warden

Holy Trinity Pembroke Cemetery Columbarium Completed! Niches Now For Sale.



On Wednesday, August 7th, a large crane sat in Holy Trinity Pembroke's quiet cemetery. It was there to lift the brand new, 72-niche granite columbarium into its place in the centre of this historic resting place.

This project has been years in the making, and we are so grateful to the hard work of the cemetery's leadership and friends of the cemetery for making it possible.

With the completed installation of the new columbarium, we are delighted to announce that niches are now

available for purchase. All niches are an equal price, and locations of niches will be sold on a first come first served basis. Holy Trinity's cemetery is open to all members of Holy Trinity Pembroke, members of the Parish of the Valley, and members of the public.

Each niche can hold up to two urns and costs \$2,500. An additional administration fee of \$250 is charged at the time of each inurnment. There are 72 niches available for purchase. For more information, please contact the Aborn House main office (613-732-4658) or Alexis Anderson (613-633-7897) or Rob Hanson (613-401-4172).

Hello from the Churchwardens at All Saints Petawawa

Hey, hey - the gang's all here! There was a great picture of our clergy team on the cover of the Sept. 8th bulletin!

Fall has arrived on the calendar, but not in the air. How lucky is that! With Fall comes some of our usual events, but also some new ones. But first we must look back over the summer and June had us saying good-bye to Reverend Claire. It was bittersweet as on June 23rd at St. John's in Eganville we gathered as a Parish to honour her and wish her well on the next part of her life's journey. She will be dearly missed.

Other goodbyes were for Lorna and Jen, our beloved Lay Readers. Oh, how we will miss their smiles, kindness, knowledge, sense of humour, and all-round lovely personalities. We wish them all the best and send them off with our love as they return to their roots.

While the Reverends Gillian, Nick and Matthew were taking well deserved holidays, we were delighted to welcome back LCol The Reverend Canon Judson Bridgewater and LCdr The Reverend Matthew Squires, each for two



Sundays. It certainly is a great relationship we have with the Padres from Garrison Petawawa. We also welcomed Reverend François Trottier and his lovely wife Catharine as he took two services in June. We look forward to having all of them back soon.

A big thank you to St. Stephen's Micksburg for hosting the Valley potluck on Labour Day . A great opportunity to re-connect with friends across the Valley as well as a

chance to meet our new Associate Incumbent Reverend Christine. Saturday, September 21st saw us formally welcome her, in Holy Trinity, to the Parish of the Valley. Thank you so much for joining our leaders in ministry!

We would be remiss if we neglected to mention the great improvements to the All Saints Petawawa washrooms.



Thank you to Ralph Storey for initiating the project, as well as financing it. Labour donated by the congregation members helped to keep costs down. So, thank you everyone for your help. Also, new signage at the entrance to the

cemetery should clear up any questions about the rules. Up next? Maybe new flooring in the hallway.

The former Lions Club / Silver Threads Hall has been taken over by the Town of Petawawa and we are looking forward to a renewed friendship with our neighbours.

After church lunch has started up again and this is a great time for fellowship.

Coming up in November, on the 16th, is our Tea & Bazaar. Come and check out the Glitz & Glamour area as well as the Silent Auction and Santa's Table.

Starting Sunday September 22nd, Liturgical music will be re-added to the service. Thank you to Reverend Gillian and our organist Phil Cottrell for initiating this lovely addition to the service.

Don't forget to get tickets to the Sean McCann's concert at Holy Trinity on October 18th. A great evening to enjoy music and to meet up with friends.

A big thank you to our clergy Matthew, Gillian, Nick and now Christine. So much work is done by them behind the scenes to keep the Parish of the Valley running so smoothly. Thank you also to some of our members who are stepping outside of their comfort zone to take on new roles in the morning service. We would be remiss if we did not recognize all the extra work that our treasurer Yvonne Andrews handles.

We have welcomed several new members to All Saints and we would love to welcome members from other churches in the Parish to join us on any Sunday. A great way for us to connect and continue to grow!

Looking forward to hearing updates from each and every one of the other churches in our Parish of the Valley.

Until next time, remember that no act of kindness, no matter how small, goes unnoticed!

Louise Doran – People's Warden.

Marion LeMottee – Rector's Warden

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday, October 26 – Holy Trinity Pembroke ACW Rummage Sale – from 8:30 – 11:00am. 68 Renfrew Street, Pembroke. Elevator Available
- Thursday, November 7 – Holy Trinity Pembroke Holly Bazaar & Luncheon – watch our Parish email newsletter for more information!
- Saturday, November 16 – All Saints Petawawa Christmas Tea & Bazaar – 11am – 2pm. 1173 Victoria Street, Petawawa.

From the Holy Trinity Anglican Church Women

Holy Trinity ACW continues to be very busy, active, and involved in many projects.

Upcoming events:

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Our popular Fall Rummage Sale will take place on Saturday October 26th from 830-11 am. Setup will be on Friday October 25th from 9-4 in the church hall. Donations may be dropped off at that time. Help is always needed and appreciated. This is a favourite for treasure hunters and declutterers! Reduce: - do some purging; Reuse: - someone absolutely needs that! Recycle - someone will be creative for an alternative use for your items!

Contact Dawn Rakai-Price- 613-401-5582 or Maggie Jacques 613-687-8189 or jacquesp@nrtco.net.

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Our Holly Bazaar will be held on Thursday, November 7th and will have the usual tables of crafts, foods, and treasures; but this year we are adding a table of items for a silent auction. If you have a treasure that you feel needs

a new home and would like to donate to our silent auction table, we would be happy to receive it. More information on our Holly Bazaar lunch is coming soon!

Another project that ACW is undertaking is to make a cookbook of our favourite recipes, particularly recipes that have been used for those scrumptious potluck meals that we have enjoyed over recent years. We would love to include your favourite recipe in our cookbook. Send them to Jean Ostrom (ostrom@nrtco.net) or give them to her in person any time. If we can get enough together, we might have the cookbook ready for Holly Bazaar.

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Ongoing activities:

Machine quilting has become very popular, but hand quilting is not yet a lost art. Several women meet on Tuesday mornings in the committee room throughout the fall and winter around the quilting frame. None of us are “master” quilters as quilting is an art that takes a minute to learn and a lifetime to master. We have a lot of fun, sharing laughter, tears, prayers, and news. We joke that if one of our number does not show up we will talk about her, but gossip is NOT tolerated. If you would like to join in the fun, or if you have a quilt top that has been waiting to be quilted, let us know – Marie Cheesman, Jean Ostrom or Helgard Hodgkinson.

Over the summer our ACW lost members, and we mourn them and miss their generosity of ideas and love, but we continue to be active through the generous support of Holy Trinity members and friends.

Meetings are not for everyone!!! But by planning events through constructive input at these meetings, we are able to support Holy Trinity and many outreach opportunities.

We are grateful for all the prayers, ideas, input, and help the Holy Trinity ACW continues to receive.

“Don’t withhold good from someone who deserves it, when it is your power to do so.” Proverbs 3:27

Maggie Jacques, ACW President

Jean Ostrom, past ACW President

Looking for Some Camaraderie?

If you’re looking for some camaraderie, consider joining the Holy Trinity Anglican Church Women as they serve the church and the wider community in a variety of ways. For more information, contact Maggie Jacques at (613) 687-8189.

Holy Trinity Embraces Truth and Reconciliation Outreach (By Marie Cheesman)

“Thank you for helping my people heal.” These were the heartfelt words that Cheryl Macumber, a Quilts for Survivors (QFS) board member and mother of its founder, Vanessa Génier, began her comments with in April at a small celebration to mark the shipping of the 5,000th quilt to a residential school survivor. Two short years earlier,



this small group had organized to send 18 comfort quilts to residential school survivors, as a symbol of support, respect and love for those who have undergone this trauma and she was genuinely moved and humbled by the

outpouring of support being demonstrated by quilters across Canada; truth be told, she was almost incredulous.

Formerly located in Timmins, in early September Quilts for Survivors moved across town into a new studio location in South Porcupine. When the Anglican Church of Canada learned that the organization needed a new space it offered them a deconsecrated church, formerly St. Paul’s Anglican Church, free of charge for five years. This relieves a significant question of where and how this not-for-profit will exist for the coming years.

As it happens, our former Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, (who is now helping our Metropolitan and Acting Primate Anne Germond, Archbishop of Algoma and Moosonee) was the driving force behind the deal. He understands that truth and reconciliation is an ongoing commitment, and it is something doesn’t happen overnight. He was both honoured and excited to commit to the work being done by Quilts for Survivors.

Hats off to Vanessa for accepting the offer, for she may have been somewhat conflicted given the Anglican Church of Canada’s complicated history. The Anglican Church of Canada ran about three dozen residential



schools between 1820 and 1969, but Vanessa sees being gifted this new home as a profound step along the path of reconciliation and a testament to the apologies that have been given by the Anglican Church and by Archbishop Fred. When it comes to healing and reconciliation, "It's one thing for the church to talk the talk," Hiltz said, "It's another thing to walk that talk and the church needs to be very diligent in that kind of work. So, here's such a wonderful, wonderful opportunity".

Last year our congregation fully embraced this important new Truth and Reconciliation outreach and this year Holy Trinity stepped up again. Early in the spring our quilters and their friends once again began sewing lap quilts, quilt tops, and quilt blocks. Our ACW very generously committed to raising funds to help with the cost of shipping quilts to individual survivors (a significant need) through the Coffee Hour free will offerings. And our congregation's generosity was on full display: the \$600 fundraising goal was not only met, but exceeded, raising over \$700 in record time!

At the end of September on Truth and Reconciliation Sunday, the items made by our quilters will be blessed before Jean and Byron Ostrom take another road trip north to deliver them. We expect our delivery to include at least 10 quilts, 13 quilt tops, 24 quilt blocks and 591 metres of binding. The funds raised will buy 23 pre-paid shipping boxes.

QFS is closing in on having shipped 6,000 to residential school survivors. With still over three months left in the year, they've almost matched the number of quilts they made last year. Additional items are always welcome. And, as mentioned, the cost of shipping continues to be a significant financial pressure for QFS so if you or your congregation are interested in supporting their efforts, more information is available on their website, www.quiltsforsurvivors.ca.

National Indigenous Peoples Day Prayer Service

Again this year, on National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21st, members of our parish clergy team joined with the Eganville Ministerial to present a National Indigenous Peoples Day Prayer Service held at the bandshell in Eganville's Centennial Park.

The service was one of that sought reconciliation with offerings of readings, prayers and



song. Members of the parish assisted with the leading of the music and readings – and even one young member of the parish was there to help with the dancing!



Huge Thanks to Campbell Monuments!

Rev. Thomas Aborn, for whom the Aborn House office building is named, was the Rector of Holy Trinity from 1914 to 1927. He oversaw the building of the current church between 1925 and 1926. Rev. Aborn was a



bachelor, and after he died in Ottawa in 1937, he asked to be buried in Holy Trinity Cemetery. He is the only former priest of the church to be

buried in a small section of the cemetery that is set aside exclusively for clergy.

Unfortunately, over the years the footing for the monument marking Rev. Aborn's resting place had become damaged, and the monument itself was in need of cleaning. Recognizing that it was going to be an expensive job, Holy Trinity approached Campbell Monuments for a quote and were greatly surprised and hugely grateful to learn that Campbell's has a grant program for meaningful repairs and restorations; they completed the work at NO cost to Holy Trinity.

It is a perfect example of what Rev. Matthew mentioned in his September 22nd sermon: God has blessed us with many wonderful people in our community who are willing to lend generous and helping hands.

With full and grateful hearts as we approach the 100th anniversary of Holy Trinity in its current location, we offer our sincere thanks to Campbell Monuments.



After a successful summer season, **Epiphany Fashions** has returned to regular hours. Find us at Church of The Epiphany, 32 Dunn Street in Barry's Bay on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10am until 2pm.

Shop seasonal clothing on a pay-what-you-can basis! Donations of clean seasonal clothing are accepted during opening hours.

Time and Talents: Stewardship at St. John's Eganville (By The Rev. Gillian Hoyer)

This Fall, the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Eganville, is launching a new stewardship program. Building on a legacy of successful stewardship programs from the past, members of the congregation are being encouraged to take some time to deeply and prayerfully consider their ministry with and for the church.

Recognizing that so many people are already giving so much time and talent to St. John's, we're asking members to consider how the Holy Spirit is leading them to offer themselves in the same ways or in new ways to the congregation – or if there are things they might wish to give up in order to free them to live into new ways of serving God at the local church.

Stewardship packages will be available for pick up in church on September 29th and October 6th, and will be mailed to those not picked up after that date. All are asked to return their forms to St. John's by October 20th. We are excited to see how the Holy Spirit is continuing to call each and every one of us into faithful ministry in big and small ways at St. John's!

“We, Being Many, are One Body” – The Parish of the Valley Family at Work!



In June, the churchwardens from St. George's South Alice (right) presented the churchwardens from St. Thomas Rankin (left) a cheque for \$1,000 – part of the proceeds from the

“Take Out Thursday” fundraiser that St. George's held at the end of May at the Alice General Store.

Earlier this year, St. Thomas was faced with some unexpected and necessary repairs to the church's basement and parish neighbours at St. George's wanted to pitch in and support them. We, being many, are one body!

Parish of the Valley Labour Day Parish Outdoor Service and Picnic



A few scattered rain showers couldn't dampen the spirits of the 140 members of the Parish of the Valley who joined in worship at St. Stephen's Micksburg on September 1st.

For the second year in a row we gathered from across our parish

for our fantastic Labour Day Weekend service and picnic.

With rain clouds on the horizon, we made the decision to move the service indoors and the church was filled with members from every point of our area parish.

After a full liturgy of singing, prayers, a heartfelt sermon preached by Rev. Matthew, and



gathering as a parish around the table for Holy Eucharist, we welcomed Rev. Christine to the parish and said farewell to two of our Licensed Lay Readers, Jen Cross and Lorna Sibley.

We then moved to the Micksburg Community Hall for our picnic. We are very grateful to members of the Hall's Board for allowing us to use the hall for the day! There was no shortage of food spread across one end of the hall, and none went hungry as we joined in together in fellowship.



A huge thank you to members of the Parish of the Valley from Micksburg, Stafford, and Rankin for hosting us all! And thank you to everyone who joined in worship and fellowship. We're already looking forward to next year!

2025 Canadian Church Calendars – A Sneak Peek!

The Parish of the Valley order for the 2025 Canadian Church Calendar has been made and we are eagerly anticipating its arrival!

This year we are thrilled to announce that photos of two of our churches have been selected for inclusion. As a special sneak peek for members of the Parish, here are the photos: All Saints Petawawa for February 2025 (taken by Rev. Gillian from the Rectory) and St. Patrick's Lower Stafford for October 2025 (taken by Rev. Matthew while flying overhead in a de Havilland Beaver (!) piloted by none other than John Shaw of Holy Trinity Pembroke).

Watch for calendars on sale in each of our parish's churches later this fall. Happy shopping!



Pumpkin Spice Coffee Recipe

Mix:

- 2 tsp ground cinnamon
- ¼ tsp ground ginger
- ¼ tsp ground cloves
- 1/8 tsp ground nutmeg
- ½ tsp ground allspice



Add ¼ teaspoon per 3 cups of coffee when brewing. Or simply add it to steamed milk!



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