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A Message From Our Clergy Team

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!"

At some point in our Christmas services, we will hear once again these words of the angel of the Lord who stood before a group of shepherds and said to them: "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people" Do not be afraid - that phrase is spoken six times in the gospel of Luke; three times by angels and three times by Jesus and it is certainly understandable why the shepherds are filled with fear and trembling.

They are confronted by the glory of the heavenly host, and they encounter a reality beyond the realm of what we see with our eyes and hear with our ears. They come face to face with God's messenger who proclaims a higher purpose and another perspective from which our world and our lives can be viewed - a kingdom that becomes a reality in the birth of the Christ-child. That kind of encounter with the living God and that connection to this other divine reality has continued to sustain and strengthen Christians down through the centuries.

In this Holy season we give thanks for all the ways that we have experienced this encounter with the living God in the people and the congregations of the Parish of the Valley. We rejoice in the many ways that the coming of Christ has been revealed and proclaimed in the worship and the ministries that we have shared in together. In many ways, this has not been the year or years that we had hoped it might be as we have worked together to build and grow our area parish; this pandemic has put many things on hold in our lives and in our churches.

Through it all, however, we have been incredibly grateful for the faith and dedication we have witnessed in your steadfast determination to continue to proclaim "the good news of great joy for all the people" and to share, across the Valley, the abiding love of God made known to us on that first Christmas day. Thank you, dear friends, for the love and support you have shared with us over this past year and for the glory of the Lord that has shone around us as we have journeyed in faith together.

We wish you every blessing for Christmas and a new year filled with joy, happiness and peace,

Bishop Michael Bird Canon Susan Clifford Rev. Matthew Brown Rev. Gillian Hoyer

Musings from Your Editor (submitted by Jean Ostrom)

Christmas is a time of giving. Well, actually, any time is a time for giving. According to my concordance, give or giving is cited 56 times in the Bible. Each reference is a very positive statement; "give and it shall be given to you; good measure, pressed down and shaken together, and running over" (Luke 6:38), "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have, I give to you" (Acts 3:6), "if it is contributing to the needs of others let him give generously" (Romans 12:8). I was thinking of such passages in the Bible when I read the article reprinted here from the Globe and Mail about food charities. We have just marked another Foodbank Sunday when copious quantities of food and other staples have been donated to help fill the shelves of our foodbanks. Jesus is quoted by Paul to the Ephesians:" It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). But giving is only a part of the solution. We need a plan to tackle the inequities that require foodbanks to exist in the first place. This plan should include enacting policies at all levels of government to support the work being done. We can help by lobbying our lawmakers in support of the justice required. I close this editorial with a greeting of peace and goodwill to you and your family.

Holy Trinity Pembroke Warden's Message

During the month of December, the days race by at an increasing rate of speed and our list of things-to-do grows exponentially. Advent is such a wonderful time of preparation and waiting. However, it can be a real balancing act to slow down a bit and ponder what is really important at this time of the year. A Facebook post this morning says "The first Christmas was pretty simple. It's okay if yours is too."

The second annual Virtual Holly Bazaar was a tremendous success and kudos to Doris Collins and all who worked so diligently to ensure this great outcome. Many hands were involved and all contributions were greatly appreciated. Perhaps we can return to our "normal" Holly Bazaar for next November.

The Smallpiece Bequest Committee has been meeting regularly and gathering information before making any recommendations. Charles Cheesman, as Chair of the Committee, has been doing an excellent job of keeping things rolling in a timely manner and recording all the findings. A report to the congregation will be forthcoming in the new year.

The installation of Holy Trinity's new Audio Visual and Recording equipment is very close to completion. Our thanks to George Hodgkinson for being present in the church to answer questions while Shawn Behnke worked. This exciting new equipment will greatly enhance our AV capacity and I'm looking forward to the new and improved system!

Holy Trinity has been busy since our last report with online worship and in-person worship opportunities. At this busy Christmas season we continue to be thankful for the dedication of our clergy team and for all their faithful work in providing leadership and spiritual guidance in these challenging times. The Christmas worship schedule is amazing and provides numerous services throughout the various churches in our Parish of the Valley. There are a total of 11 services in 10 different locations for Christmas Eve, another 3 services on Christmas Day and one on Boxing Day! On behalf of Charles and George, I would like to wish you a Blessed Christmas and we hope to see you at one of our Christmas services.

Lorna Sibley, Deputy Warden on behalf of George Hodgkinson, Rector's Warden and Charles Cheesman, People's Warden

From All Saints, Petawawa

What started as a dream has become a reality. No one remembers exactly when the bell came down at All Saints'- a Parishioner remembers it ringing at a family wedding in June 1985 so it was likely during Father Richard's time as Incumbent. Restoring the bell was the number one wish of our congregation for the GIFT campaign so Bob Ross undertook the task of looking into the feasibility. He talked to the town and had preliminary drawings done, but it was out of our reach financially. Then at the start of 2021, we received a very generous donation from Gordon Welsh and family and our dream was reawakened. Louise and Jeff Doran dusted off the detailed file left by Bob and they got the preliminary drawings looked at by an engineer who was able to finalize them. The engineer completed the drawings to match the original bell tower cupola. Sam Buttle from St. Stephen's helped with finding the contractor Wesley Teunissen and getting a building permit. Installation started late in October. One parishioner commented that they didn't think they'd ever see the tower back up and another was in tears watching the raising. Then on Oct. 31, the day we celebrated our feast day the bell was rung at the start of the service by Jeff Doran. Thank you to all for making this dream come true with special mention to Bob, Gordon, Jeff, Louise, Sam and Wesley. We plan to have a dedication service in 2022.

The raising of the bell also brought to light that the squirrels had moved into the attic of the church. Pest

control has hopefully solved this issue and there will be no more damage caused by squirrels.

All of us at All Saints' wish you and your family a blessed Christmas and happiness and prosperity in the New Year.

Ascension, Killaloe / St.John's, Tramore

Wishing everyone in the Parish a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and may the light that came for all time and the love that came for all people have an even deeper presence in your life in the coming year.

Love from your sisters and brothers in Christ in Ascension / St. John's

A Joyous Prelude to Christmas

Featuring the Intermittents – Sunday, December 19, 2021

Holy Trinity Pembroke is pleased to invite you to *A Joyous Prelude to Christmas*, featuring The Intermittents. Come join with us in song as the Intermittents help ring in the holidays with some traditional Christmas cheer. Sunday, December 19th at 2:30pm at Holy Trinity.

Admission is free. A free will offering will be taken at the door with all proceeds benefitting the <u>Kiwanis Club of</u> Pembroke Christmas Toy and Food Drive.

Please note that in accordance with Government of Ontario regulations for all public concerts, proof of double vaccination and government issued ID, or proof of medical exemption, will be required at the door for everyone in attendance ages 12 and over. Masks are also required to be worn at all times.

Parish Profile of Paula Lundrigan (Submitted by Jean Ostrom)

How many churches have an organist descended from royalty? We have all heard Paula's music when we attend Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Pembroke, or an on-line service from Holy Trinity. Paula manages to find time to play the organ, work full time in the medical field, and hold virtual parties or Facebook lives with Fifth Avenue Collection Jewellery. I enjoyed a phone chat with Paula so I could share her story with you, the readers of this newspaper.

Paula came to Pembroke originally because her thenhusband was from here and much of his family lived here as well. While visiting the family, they went to an open house being held by a realtor and decided to buy, moving here where Paula had a job in Public Health. She had recently graduated from the Nursing program at Lakehead University in Thunder Bay.



Paula's story starts a few years earlier, in Walkerton, where she was raised and attended the United Church. She started taking piano lessons at the age of 6 and continued until she completed high school. Her great aunt lived close by and Paula's family inherited her

piano, so Paula could play any time she wanted to. In addition to music, Paula kept busy as a teen with curling, lawn bowling and skating. When the organist at her church graduated from high school and left the community for further education, Paula was asked to take on the position, which she did, at the ripe old age of 15. She continued as organist until she, in turn, left for university. While in Thunder Bay she again took on the position of organist in a Lutheran Church there.

Music has always been a big part of Paula's life, but she says it is so enjoyable it is not like it is a job. At Holy Trinity the choir chooses the anthems and the priest chooses the hymns, so being organist is a matter of being there for choir practices and services, which she has done faithfully for 12 years. When asked about teaching, Paula says she had not taught music, but enjoys accompanying vocalists at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Paula's day job is with Veterans' Affairs, but since March of last year the office has been closed so she has been working from home. With the need for medical staff so great she also worked on weekends for the public health unit doing contact tracing, so for the past year and a half she has been working six to seven days a week. To complicate matters, the National Nursing Manager has been on sick leave for the past 9 months and Paula has been filling in for her. And she still appears unruffled when we see her at church. My husband jokes that she needs roller skates as she plays the organ for a hymn or choral response, moves to the piano to accompany an anthem, then hurries back to the organ for another hymn.

Asked about travelling, Paula said she travelled a bit with her parents as a child. Much younger than her two siblings, when Paula came along, her parents had more time and they enjoyed trips to the British Isles from which her grandparents emigrated shortly before her mother was born, and to Bermuda. However, the best trip of her life so far was one she took with her sister to Greece four years ago. Two weeks of the trip consisted of an Aegean cruise with stops at many of the Aegean islands, as well as in Turkey. On her bucket list are trips to Ireland (Paula's maiden name was Kelly and she is descended from Irish royalty), and to Salzburg where she would like to see where her favourite composer, Mozart, originated, and visit some of the great cathedrals of Europe.

Her children, Joe and Hannah, are both grown now and away, but keep close touch. Hannah is in Ottawa but owns her own princessing company called Charm and Grace Princess Parties and entertains at children's parties in Ottawa and "the Valley", so she comes home frequently on weekends. Hannah has sung many times at Holy Trinity, accompanied by her mother. We are fortunate to have such a talented woman leading us in our musical worship.

Happenings Around the Parish Bell Tower Restoration, All Saints, Petawawa



Eganville Advent Evensong

On Sunday December 5, St John's once again celebrated our annual "Celebration of Light" Advent Evening Prayer, or "Evensong" service, from the Book of Common Prayer. This year we raised over \$2,500 in support of a Ugandan charity named "Wide Smiles for All Through Education". For nearly 15 years St John's has worked closely with the director, Kenneth Kasule. Our support has enabled hundreds of children to attend primary and secondary

schools. And as you may know, education is fundamental to lifting people out of poverty, and develops the potential of every child to bring "light" to their communities.

St John's choir was once again in fine form, and we were pleased to welcome this year's preacher, Bishop Michael Bird, who spoke movingly of some of the challenges he observed on his travels in Africa. In the course of the service we also prayed for and remembered those "lights" in our lives who have gone before us. The Holy Spirit was flowing and lifted all our spirits. It's such a blessing to work together with Kenneth, our Ugandan partner, in support of the children. And it's great fun to worship and sing together, and to gather for fellowship and refreshments each Advent for such a good cause.

We are proud to be part of our Parish of the Valley, which has numerous worthy projects that our various congregations support. Thank you everyone, for all your good work!

Pumpkin Auction

Holy Trinity held its annual Pumpkin Auction in support of the Primate's World Relief Development Fund in October. Participants tuned in from across the Parish of the Valley! Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the pumpkin auction took place virtually on the Holy Trinity Facebook page.

We are pleased to report that **\$425** was raised for PWRDF! A huge thank you goes out to Maggie Jacques for helping to organize this event, and to all who participated.

Break-In at St. Patrick's, Lower Stafford



A number of weeks ago we discovered that St. Patrick's Lower Stafford had been the victims of a break-in. Unfortunately, the church's communion silver was stolen, along with their purple hangings. Upon hearing

this sad news at a diocesan archdeacons meeting, Archdeacon Chris Dunn drove up from Ottawa to Stafford, bringing with him the communion set from our now-closed Diocesan Camp, Camp Pontiac.

On Sunday, November 28th the congregation at St Patrick's celebrated communion for the first time with this new-to-us communion set. It was, and continues to be, a wonderful reminder of the strength and support of our Diocesan Church Family as well as a visible connection with generations of youth across our diocese who attended Camp Pontiac in its day.

Senior of the Year

Our own Byron Ostrom of Holy Trinity Pembroke was named Senior Citizen of the Year at a meeting of the Petawawa Town Council on November 1. Byron was nominated for his many contributions to the town, including his countless hours spent cleaning up garbage along the roadside from Highway 17 to his home on Rantz Road. In addition to the roadside cleanup Byron also served the Scouting community in Petawawa for 8 years, has helped the Petawawa Grannies with all their fund-raising efforts since their inception, and was very involved with the campaign to determine that the proposed power dam on the Petawawa River that would have ruined the white-water playground was properly evaluated. Congratulations Byron!

Rev. Gillian, Rev. Matthew and Lily are very pleased to announce that their family will soon be growing again! Lily looks forward to becoming a big sister in June of 2022 and is already very excited! Thank you to everyone across the Parish of the Valley for your best wishes, support and prayers.

Food charities outnumber grocery stores in Canada four-to-one. That should bother you

Lori Nikkel is the CEO of Second Harvest, Canada's largest food rescue organization.

Contributed to The Globe and Mail Published October 11, 2021

For every Loblaws, Metro, Safeway or Northern grocery store in your community, there are four churches, temples, mosques, senior centres, schools or social programs providing food for people who may not have the means to buy it.

What's more, the \$33-billion dollars in food these organizations distributed last year would make them the second-largest grocery store chain in Canada, having served about 6.7 million Canadians. This represents 18 per cent of our population, roughly equivalent to the population of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta combined.

The numbers should bother you. It means there are roadblocks for making food affordable, accessible and abundant on the tables of every Canadian in a country where more than half of the food we produce ends up in landfill.

There is a patchwork system of more than 61,000 charitable groups providing food. It is shocking to realize the scale of the effort and in spite of the good work being done by staff and volunteers at these organizations, there is more demand for food than they can meet. In conversations with people working to help, they have shared their feelings about the stress of food and resource shortages and of feeling dispirited and lacking hope.

Most people have no idea the scope of the problem we're facing in our food system. We need solutions, fast. We need to demystify, destigmatize and disrupt the charitable food sector in Canada so it can better achieve its purpose of providing fresh, healthy food (that would otherwise be wasted) to people who need it. Because as COVID-19 has shown, millions of Canadians are one paycheque away from food insecurity.

The term food insecurity means a lack of regular access to enough safe, nutritious food to meet a person's dietary needs. It is associated with poor diet quality and basic hunger that leads to physical and mental health problems, as well as lower educational outcomes.

In 2019, Statistics Canada found that an estimated 1.2 million households in Canada were food insecure. Data from May 2020 showed that number increased dramatically during the pandemic, with one in seven Canadian families struggling to put food on the table.

Food insecurity is worse in Northern Canada than other regions, where remoteness and community isolation add cost to food distribution and Indigenous peoples are particularly at risk due to socioeconomic factors, climate change and a legacy of government policies that affect their wellbeing.

It may surprise you that so many Canadians need help putting food on the table. What's even more surprising is that we are mostly unaware of the tens of thousands of charitable food organizations trying to help. Yet these groups exist in every community, hiding in plain sight.

Canada's Invisible Food Network quantifies the scale of the problem. It shines a spotlight on the work being done and highlights gaps in the system that need fixing. Now that this network has been mapped, we need a plan to tackle the inequities that require it to exist in the first place.

This plan should include enacting policies at all levels of government to support the work being done. We need investments in distribution infrastructure and a good start has been made with logistical networks that sprung up during the pandemic. These need to be solidified and made permanent through spending allocation so we can deliver more goods to remote, rural and northern communities.

We also need economic shifts like more affordable rental housing, accessible, affordable childcare and improved social benefits. An obvious step would be to transform the Canada Emergency Response Benefit from a temporary pandemic response into permanent antipoverty legislation that secures a universal basic income for Canadians.

The invisible food network may distribute enough food to be the country's second-largest grocery store chain, but it's still not enough to meet the demand. Too much edible food is being wasted when people are going hungry.

It is time for bold political action to solve this problem. The system needs to change – fast – so we can reduce food insecurity and cut down on food waste at the same time. It means a circular food economy instead of the linear one we have, which has proven to be a failure on many levels. The health of all Canadians and the future of our planet depend on taking action, now.



Say "Yes!" To Our Annual Advent Appeal

(submitted by Marie Cheesman, Chair, Ministry & Money Working Group, Holy Trinity Pembroke)

Thanks to your incredible generosity, last year's inaugural Parish of the Valley Advent Appeal raised more than \$21,000 to support the congregations of our area parish.

That same amazing generosity has now been transformed by God into ministry: online and in-person services, home visits, e-newsletters, Revelations and Zoom coffee hours. All of this and more has become possible because you said "Yes!" to supporting God's mission through the life and witness of your local Anglican church.

Earlier this month you received a letter from our clergy team sharing information about this year's appeal, designed to help offset our inability to hold the traditional fundraisers that support vibrant ministry in our local communities during the pandemic. This is a reminder that, if you are able, to please offer added financial support to your local congregation as we all continue to cope with the challenges that have placed in front of us. Every donation, regardless of size, is incredibly appreciated and will be faithfully used to support the life and ministry of your Parish of the Valley.

You can make your contribution via the collection plate at your church or by mail. If you prefer, you can give online using your credit card at www.ValleyAnglican.ca/advent-appeal. Please refer to your letter for all the details. Submit your gift by **December 31** to qualify for a 2021 tax receipt.

Thank you for the innumerable ways that you continue to offer your love and your support to the ministries of our Anglican Parish of the Valley.

Christmas 1915 - Pembroke Sons At The Front

(submitted by Alexis Anderson)

As we once again leave behind that very important day in November when we remember those who gave all, and as we move rapidly towards Christmas celebrations and family get togethers, it behooves us to recall those who spent the holiday season at war while their parents in Pembroke sat by the fire and prayed for the safety of their boys. Making the sacrifice all the more poignant, many of those from Pembroke had no male siblings, or they represented all the male siblings in a family.

Walter Montgomery was 20 years old for the Christmas of 1915, the only son of widowed Mrs. JW Montgomery. He went to Europe with the remount department, and while in France joined one of the Canadian artillery batteries. When a friend of Mrs. Montgomery said she would not let her own sons fight, Mrs. Montgomery explained that Walter felt it was his duty, and asked her how many boys would be fighting for the Empire if all mothers took the view that they didn't want to risk their sons.

Allan and Willard Chamberlain were also Pembroke natives, orphaned and having a young sister. Nonetheless, they went to the front. Everitt and Wilfred Anderson, only sons of Mr. JW Anderson, spent the holidays in the trenches with the 2nd Battalion.

Mr. Wilson, bush manager of the Pembroke Lumber Company, saw all three of his sons go to war. Allan, who had played hockey with the Ottawas, was on the front line for Christmas 1915. George, who worked for the Royal Bank, was serving with the Hospital Corps. And Russell was training with an artillery battery.

Lieutenant J Fergie, only son of JG Fergie was serving at the front despite being recently called to the bar; so were both sons of Customs Inspector Robert Russell. Major Russell began the war commanding the fort at Esquimalt, but by Christmas 1915 was in the trenches of Europe, while his younger brother, Irvine, was a Private in France serving with the Pioneer Corps.

There were many others from Pembroke who fought in the mud and blood that cold holiday season. Let us remember them this year as we sit warm in our homes, enjoying what they earned for us through their sacrifice.

Synod 2021

Every year, delegates and clergy from our parishes gather to the meeting of Diocesan Synod. This meeting, sometimes referred to as the 'Annual General Meeting' of the Diocese, is important because it provides us an opportunity to gather and see the bigger picture of the mission and ministry of the Diocese. Synod is an opportunity to learn about and discuss the many ways that we try and act as Christ's followers in our changing culture and society. The key elements of our Synod include:

- Business
- Outreach
- Worship
- Evangelism
- Community

Synod's functions include, but are not limited to:

- Approving financial statements and budgets
- Receiving reports from the various committees and subcommittees throughout the Diocese
- Electing delegates and members to Provincial Synod, General Synod, Advisory Panels, Diocesan Council, etc.

Delivering his charge to the Synod at the opening Eucharist Service on Oct. 28 at Christ Church Cathedral in Ottawa, Bishop Shane Parker encouraged Anglicans throughout the diocese to find comfort and inspiration in the reading from the Gospel of John (15: 17-27) "Like Saint Simon and Saint Jude, we belong to a generation who must look ahead to the future in a new way," the bishop said. "We live in a time where the past we have known is giving way to a future we must give shape to. And we, too, must trust that God the Holy Spirit is already in our future, and be confident and faithful as we move forward."

Summary of the 141st Session of the Synod of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa

Respectfully submitted: Anne Guest, St. Paul's

The 141st session of the Synod of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa was built on the themes of Unity, Change and Renewal. Bishop Shane Parker told us that the pandemic has shown our ability to be resilient and determined. This determination will help us to meet the challenges ahead of us. The Communication Panel has developed a plan to rebrand the diocese through a new design for corporate communication products. The Diocese is also rethinking the governance structure in order to recognize Anglicans as a minority in a diverse and plural world.

The keynote speaker was Rev. Canon Dr. John Gibault. He likened our Diocese to a cell phone (the Operating System) and our Parishes to "cool apps."

After a break, business matters before Synod were addressed. A series of motions were introduced, changing details but not direction of some canons. They included modifications of elections, the Bishop's salary and benefits and defining the duties of incumbent priests. All motions were passed by a 2/3 majority. By-Laws to support these changes were also passed.

Sanjay Grover, the Financial Director took us through the 2020 financial report. The government pandemic relief fund enabled the Diocese to keep the drop in revenue under 20 per cent. A decision will be made in the new year about supporting parishes.

Brian Cameron, the Chair of the Diocesan Communications Panel outlined plans celebrating the 125th Anniversary of our Diocese. There will be a fourpart lecture series beginning in December. the first lecture on Indigenous issues in December will be given

by Michelle Good, the author of Five Little Indians, which won the Governor-General's Award for English fiction in 2020. A special liturgical service will be held on New Year's Day with our Primate, Archbishop Linda Nicholls, presiding.

In conclusion, with any luck, Synod will be held in person in Ottawa, in 2022.

Christmas Service Schedule

Christmas Services are again happening across the Parish this year. You are welcome to join us for services in-person, online, and on YourTV. Individual church listings below give the particular requirements at each church, such as proof of vaccination, preregistration, or capacity limits. Masks are required to be worn at all of our services.

Online services will <u>be on our website</u>. YourTV service programming information to be updated soon.

Christmas Eve

2:00pm - St Augustine's, Beachburg Capacity is 27 people. Proof of Vaccination and pre-registration NOT required.

3:00pm - St Paul's, Cobden Capacity is 25 people. Proof of Vaccination and preregistration NOT required.

4:00pm - All Saints, Petawawa Capacity is 30 people. Proof of Vaccination and preregistration NOT required.

4:00pm - Church of the Ascension, Killaloe *Proof of Vaccination IS required to attend.*

4:15pm - St Anthony's, Whitney Capacity is 27 people. Proof of Vaccination and preregistration NOT required.

5:00pm - St Stephen's, Micksburg Capacity is 22 people. Proof of Vaccination and preregistration NOT required.

5:00pm & 8:00pm - Holy Trinity, Pembroke Capacity is 75 people. Proof of Vaccination NOT required, pre-registration IS required. To register, please call Gail at the office, 613-732-4658 (M-F 9-12).

6:30pm - Church of the Epiphany, Barry's Bay *Proof of Vaccination IS required to attend.*

7:00pm - St John the Evangelist, Eganville Capacity is 33 people. Proof of Vaccination NOT required Pre-registration is required. Please sign up in church or call Canon Susan 613-732-0313 to register.

7:00pm - St George's, South Alice Capacity is 24 people. Proof of Vaccination NOT required, pre-registration is required. Please call Bernard to register: 613-732-7101.

Christmas Day

9:00am - Church of the Ascension, Killaloe Proof of Vaccination IS required to attend. 10:00am - Holy Trinity, Pembroke Capacity is 75 people. Proof of Vaccination and preregistration NOT required.

11:00am - St John the Evangelist, Eganville Capacity is 33 people. Proof of Vaccination and preregistration NOT required.

Sunday, December 26 - Boxing Day & The Feast of St Stephen

One service will be held for the whole of the Parish of the Valley on Sunday December 26th.

10:00am - St Stephen's, Micksburg Capacity is 22 people. Proof of Vaccination and preregistration NOT required.



(Photo submitted by Cheryl Rhodes, St. Barnabas Church) Bishop Michael Bird with Rev. Patrick Stephens as he was inducted into ministry in the Parish of St. Barnabas, Deep River on Sunday, November 14.