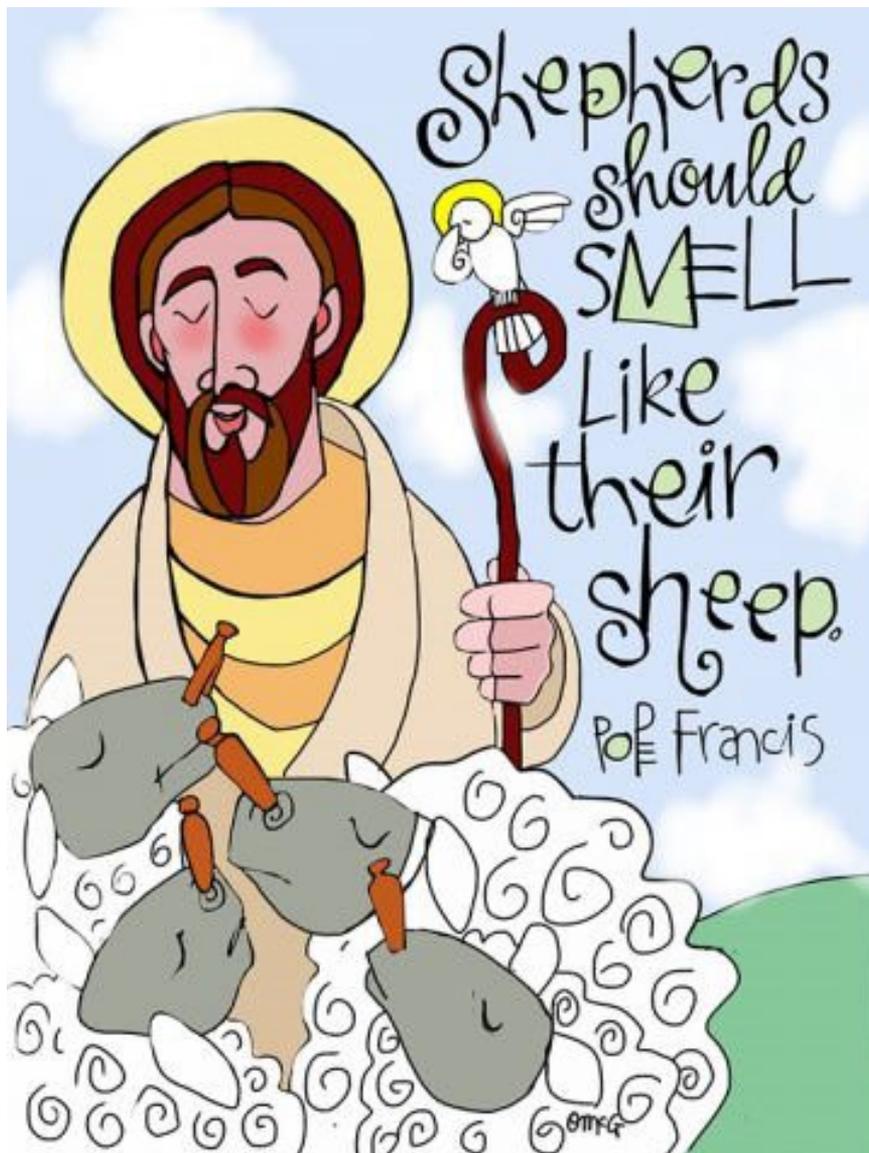


THE VALLEY BULLETIN

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT



MARCH 19TH, 2023

WELCOME

If you are visiting, we welcome you into our midst.

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey in faith, you are welcome.

It is a blessing to have you worship with us today!

The Parish of the Valley respectfully acknowledges that we gather for worship on traditional Anishinabe Algonquin territory.

LET'S PRAY

For the Church in the World we pray for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa. We pray for our Companion Diocese of Jerusalem. We pray for Linda Nicholls, our Primate, Anne Germond, our Metropolitan, and Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop. We pray for the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Sacred Circle Events, and the ministry of reconciliation.

In our Diocese of Ottawa we pray for:

† For Shane Parker, our Bishop; for Matthew Brown our Incumbent; for Gillian Hoyer & Nicholas Forte our Associate Incumbents; for Claire Bramma our Assistant Curate, and for our Interim Associate Priests, John Wilker–Blakley and Rick Durrett.

† COVID 19 - Pray for all who are affected by this Pandemic.

† For Christ Church, Bells Corners and for pilgrims to the Holy Land.

† For All Saints, Petawawa, part of the Parish of the Valley.

For the life & members of our Parish of the Valley Community, this week we pray for: Liam, Kimberley, Avery & Colton Rennick, Sheila Rennick, Linda Resmer, Eldon, Pamela & Travis Richards, Chris & Melissa Rigby, and all members of their families.

For those preparing for baptism: Ryker Warmerdam.

For the sick and those who have asked for our prayers ...

Alice & Petawawa: Terry, Jim, Arthur Jr., Brittany, Donna, Shawn, Gerry, Vandela, Sharon, Minnie, Peter.

Barry's Bay & Whitney: Joyce, Anna, Morley, Michael, Cathy, Abigail, Susan, Patricia, Elspeth, Debra, Mary-Jayne, Violet, Fern, Shirley, Marilyn, Betty, David, Susie, Freda.

Killaloe/Tramore & Eganville: Phyllis, Peter, Dorothy, Ethel, Paula, Marilyn, Pauline, Jim, Hanna, Scarlett, Toots, Denise, Forest, Rosemary.

Pembroke: John, Mindy, Molly, Muriel, Stephanie, Cecil, Lynne, Rita, Susan, Ann, Lomie, Jessie.

Stafford / Beachburg/Cobden: Dale, Mike, Gavin, Agnes, Nathan, Margaret, Susan, Ryan, Haley, Ruth, James, Sharon, Dave, Nicholas, Carolyn, Hillary, Sharon, Glen, Ralph, Scott, John, Sharon, Patsy, Holly, Thyra, Anne, Sandra, Nathan, Bill.

READINGS

MARCH 19, 2023 –Fourth Sunday in Lent-Laetare Sunday
1 Samuel 16.1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5.8-14; John 9.1-41

UPCOMING READINGS

March 26, 2023 –Fifth Sunday in Lent
Ezekial 37.1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8.6-11; John 11.1-45

April 2, 2023 –Palm Sunday
Matthew 21.1-11; Isaiah 50.4-9a; Psalm 31.9-16; Philippians 2.5-11;
Matthew 26.14-27:66

OFFERINGS

Please continue to make your regular offerings. All members of the Parish of the Valley are encouraged to place donations on the collection plate, mail in weekly offerings (cash or cheque), sign up for Pre-Authorized Remittances (PAR), or give online with credit card using *Canada Helps* or *Tithe.ly*. Please see our website for a list of church and treasurer mailing addresses and online giving information.

SERVICES IN THE PARISH OF THE VALLEY

Sunday, March 26th, 2023

8 & 10am - Holy Trinity Pembroke

9am - St Patrick's Lower Stafford

9am -Ascension Killaloe

9:30am -St George's South Alice

11am - St John's Eganville

11am - St Paul's Cobden

11am - Epiphany Barry's Bay (Morning Prayer)

11:15am - All Saints Petawawa

Thank you for your prayers.

As of March 6th, Gavin returned to high school following the Jan. 20th car accident and will be taking physio to aid his recovery. His father, Mike, continues to recover in hospital in Toronto. We are grateful for your prayers, love & support.

Shalom and Love from Bev York , Mac McCauley & family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next week, March 26th, will be our parish's first **Food Bank Sunday** of 2023. Please bring donations of non-perishable foods or cash with you to worship next Sunday to support your local food bank.

Rev. Garry Engler, spiritual care coordinator at the Pembroke Regional Hospital, will be offering a 2 hour **Pastoral Care Training Workshop** at Holy Trinity Pembroke on Thursday, March 30th from 12pm to 2pm. A soup lunch will be provided. This session is ideal for anyone interested in learning more about the ministry of pastoral care and pastoral visiting. Please RSVP to Rev. Nick at nickforte@valleyanglicans.ca or by calling 613-629-9498.

The Parish of the Valley clergy team will be leading a **Confirmation Class** this spring during Eastertide (mid-April to early June). Anyone interested in receiving the sacrament of Confirmation, being formally received into the Anglican Communion, or desiring to reaffirm their faith is encouraged to speak with any member of the clergy team. Please help our parish to identify candidates in the next few weeks to assist the clergy team in better planning the format and curriculum for the classes.

Lenten Learning — Weekly Lenten study sessions, Thursday evenings at 7pm via ZOOM (March 2nd to 30th).

Holden Evening Prayer — Sung services will take place each Wednesday evening during Lent (March 1st to 29th) at 7pm at **St. Timothy's Evangelical Lutheran Church** (503 Alfred Street, Pembroke).

Cover: *Shepherds Should Smell Like Sheep*, Mickey McGrath, 2017

“The priest who seldom goes out of [themselves] ... misses out on the best of our people, on what can stir the depths of [their] priestly heart. ... This is precisely the reason why some priests grow dissatisfied, lose heart and become in a sense collectors of antiquities or novelties — instead of being shepherds living with ‘the smell of the sheep.’ This is what I am asking you — be shepherds with the smell of sheep.”

Pope Francis, March 28, 2013

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