

THE VALLEY BULLETIN

HOLY CROSS DAY



SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2025

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 Anishinaabe Algonquin territory.

SEASON OF CREATION

Christians around the world are invited to give particular attention to praying and caring for God's creation as part of the global Season of Creation, observed from September 1st to October 4th. Adopted by General Synod in 2019, this is a time of prayer, education, and action. It is not a liturgical season but is instead a time of intentional prayer and reflection.

Sunday September 14th:

To conclude the Intercessions: A prayer for the Cosmos:

Creator God, your name is written on every leaf, every bird, every river, every stone, every living being. We praise and worship you for the magnificence of your creation. Make us attentive to the wounds of the earth and willing to work for the healing of the whole creation, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen.**

BLESSING

Deep peace, pure white of the moon to you.
Deep peace, pure green of the grasses to you.
Deep peace, pure brown of the earth to you.
Deep peace, pure gray of the dew to you.
Deep peace, pure blue of the sky to you.
Deep peace of the Creator, the Son of Peace,
and the Spirit to you, now and always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL for use through the Season of Creation:

As we conclude our service, I invite you to join me in dedicating ourselves to care of the Earth.

We join with the Earth and with each other

To bring new life to the land, to restore the waters, to refresh the air.

We join with the Earth and with each other

To renew the forests, to care for the plants, to protect the creatures.

We join with the Earth and with each other

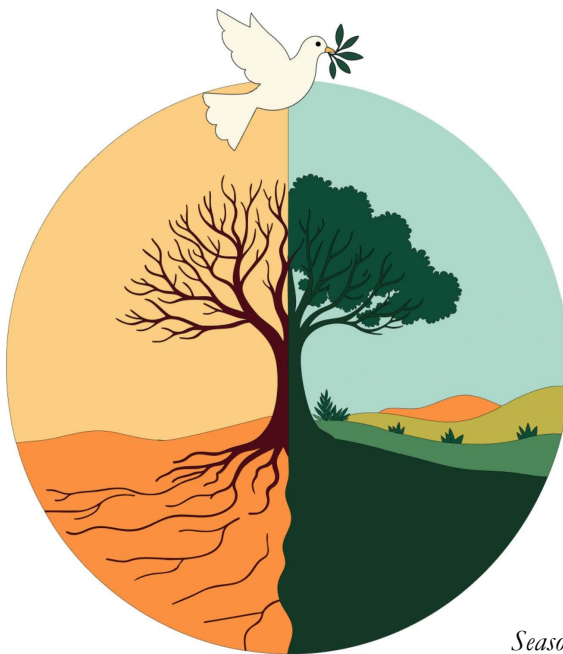
To celebrate the seas, to rejoice in the sunlight, to sing the song of the stars.

We join with the Earth and with each other

**To recreate the human community, to promote justice and peace,
to remember our children.**

We join with the Earth and with each other

**We join together as many and diverse expressions of one loving mystery:
For the healing of the Earth and the renewal of all life. Amen.**



Season of Creation 2025 logo

LET'S PRAY

In the Anglican Communion, this week we pray for The Anglican Church of South America. We pray for our Companion Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for Shane Parker, our Primate and our Diocesan Bishop. We pray for Anne Germond, our Metropolitan. We pray for The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Sacred Circle Events, the Ministry of Reconciliation and Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop.

In our Diocese of Ottawa, we pray for St. Mary's, Russell, for university and college campus chaplains, for vocations to the diaconate, the priesthood and religious life.

In our Deanery of the Northwest, we pray for Holy Trinity Chapel, Madawaska, part of the Parish of the Valley.

In our Parish of the Valley, we pray for Matthew Brown our Incumbent; and for Gillian Hoyer, Nicholas Forte, and Christine Muise our Associate Incumbents. And for the life and members of our Parish of the Valley Community, this week we pray for: Susan Clifford, Nelda Clouthier, Clyde, Kristin & Sutton Clouthier, Boyd, Taylor & Brooke Cochrane, Wally Cochrane.

For those being baptized today: Eden Sullivan.

For those preparing for confirmation and reception: Maria McBride, Sarah Coles, Samantha Ann Hass, Morgan Marie Hass, Isabella Dumouchel, Julie McMillan.

For those recently married: Marie-Josée Lessard and Evan Watt.

For those who have died and all members of their families as they grieve: Dr. Brian Good, Kevin Young.

For the sick, those who have asked for our prayers, and all others who are on our hearts...

Alice & Petawawa: Lynn, Wanda, Rose, Laurie, Lois, Gloria, Ronny, Patricia, Sammy, Chandra, Shane, Michael, Larry, Trent, Minnie, Scarlett, Brittany, Donna, Shawn, Gerry, Peter.

Barry's Bay & Whitney: Mary Ann, George, Poppy Joe & Penny Jane, Fred, Blake, Cathy, Susan, Patricia, Elspeth, Debra, Mary-Jayne, Fern, Shirley, Marilyn, David, Susie, Sharon, Bob.

Killaloe/Tramore & Eganville: Doreen, Heather, Jan, Harold, Richard, Dorothy, Betty, Ann, Sheila, Andrea, Sharon, Junior, Peter, Richard, Pauline, Hanna, Phyllis, Ethel, Anice, Paula, Rosemary.

Pembroke: Heather, Terry, Tristan, Lois, Jo, Iris, Elizabeth, Diane, Cate, Bill, Bob, Betty, Kevin, Connie, June, Paul, Lawrence, Lomie, Bea, Jessie.

Stafford/Beachburg/Cobden: John, Jean, Margaret, Denver, Brian, Ruby, Janice, Susan, Ryan, Haley, Ruth, James, Sharon, Dave, Nicholas, Carolyn, Hillary, Ralph, Thyra, Sandra, Bill.

TODAY'S READINGS

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 - Holy Cross Day

Numbers 21.4b-9; Psalm 98.1-6; 1 Corinthians 1.18-24; John 3.13-17

UPCOMING READINGS

September 21, 2025 - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 8.18-9.1; Psalm 79.1-9; 1 Timothy 2.1-7; Luke 16.1-13

September 28, 2025 - Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 32.1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91.1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6.6-19; Luke 16.19-31

OFFERINGS

We are grateful for your ongoing support of our parish's congregations.

Donations can always be placed on the offering plates located at the back of the church, or can be given during the offertory in congregations where an offering plate is passed. To learn more about Pre-Authorized Remittances (PAR), options for e-transfer, or how to donate online with credit card through *Canada Helps* or [Tithe.ly](https://www.valleyanglicans.ca/tithe), please visit our website: www.ValleyAnglicans.ca

Valley Bulletin sponsorship.

Available dates: September 21 - October 5, 12, 26.

Cost is \$40 and payable to Holy Trinity Anglican Church.

Call Gail at the office 613-732-4658 or email office@valleyanglicans.ca

SERVICES IN THE PARISH OF THE VALLEY

Sunday, September 21st, 2025

8 & 10am - Holy Trinity Pembroke
9am - St Anthony's Whitney
9am - St John's Tramore
9:30am - St George's South Alice
11am - St Paul's Cobden (Morning Prayer)
11am - St John's Eganville
11am - Epiphany Barry's Bay
11:15am - All Saints Petawawa

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Thursday, September 25 at 10am - Country Haven (Beachburg)

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Pembroke Congregational Council — Wednesday, Sept 24th at 7pm on Zoom
Eganville Congregational Council — Thursday, Sept 25th at 10am in the church hall
Alice-Petawawa Council — Tuesday, Oct 7th at 7:15pm at All Saints
Eganville-Killaloe-Tramore Central Council — Tuesday, Oct 21st at 10am on Zoom

NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Celebrating Confirmation & Reception in the Parish of the Valley: on Sunday, September 28th, the Rt. Rev. Dr. John Chapman, retired Bishop of Ottawa, will join our parish to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation and to formally Receive members into our worldwide Anglican Communion. There will be **one parish-wide service at 10am on Sunday, September 28th, held in Holy Trinity Pembroke.** Five adult members from across the Parish of the Valley will be confirmed by Bishop John, and several others will be received. There will be a parish-wide massed choir for this service (please bring your local choir robes) and a special time of fellowship will follow the liturgy in the church hall. All members of the Parish of the Valley are invited to come together for this special parish-wide celebration, and also to **wear orange**, as we anticipate the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. This will be the only service in the Parish of the Valley on this day.

Cheers to 100 Years!

While Holy Trinity has a history dating back to 1855, it was 100 years ago in June that the cornerstone was laid for the current church. Join us to celebrate this significant milestone on **Saturday, September 27, 2025**, when we will gather in the church hall to share a special anniversary dinner. Refreshments will be served beginning at 5pm with dinner following at 6pm. Tickets are \$50 and there are still a few available (includes reception, a buffet turkey dinner, wine, and dessert).

Please contact **Marie Cheesman (613-732-3013)**.

The Thanksgiving issue of our parish newspaper, *Revelations*, will be published in early October. Please send submissions of stories about events that took place over the summer, events coming up in the life of your congregation, or stories related to life in our parish to revelations@valleyanglicans.ca. **Submission deadline is September 27th.**

All are invited to join in **A Service of Thanksgiving for our Journey with Bishop Shane** as we gather to celebrate Archbishop Shane's faithful leadership on his final day as our diocesan bishop. The service will be held on **Saturday, September 20th at 11am at Christ Church Cathedral Ottawa**. A light reception will follow. The service will also be live-streamed for all who are unable to attend in person.

Looking for a pause for **reflection and spiritual refreshment** in the middle of your week? Join the Parish of the Valley each **Wednesday at 10am for a said service of Holy Eucharist** at Holy Trinity, Pembroke.

CLERGY TEAM

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