

Growing Together: Your 2026 Pledge & 2025 Year-End Gift

→ Please respond by December 15, 2025, through your pledge, your year-end gift, or by inquiring about legacy giving.

Dear friends,

With our renovated building and a growing community, we're poised to move from stability to flourishing. Thank you for welcoming me, engaging in *Listening Forward* (our Parish Wide consultation), and bringing RenoVision across the finish line. This is a threshold moment for St. Laurence - our first year in a renewed building, with clarity on our priorities, new ministries launching, and momentum continuing to build.

In 2026, your generosity will support:

- 1. **Sunday Evening Worship** an accessible gathering for seekers, young families, and those who cannot attend Sunday mornings with contemplative and contemporary worship opportunities.
- 2. Robust Online Ministry worship and formation for people near and far.
- 3. **Justice & Outreach** expanded support for community outreach ministries like Paul's Place and intentional relationship-building in our neighbourhoods
- 4. **Centre for Spiritual Renewal** retreats, spiritual direction, and contemplative practices that deepen faith and prayer

Each of these ministries is ready to grow; we are not starting from scratch. We have clarity, leadership, and energy. The primary limiter is funding.

We're pursuing grants and external programmes to multiply your impact - for example, multiplying the effect of every dollar given. Your generosity positions us to invest boldly.

Your 2026 Pledge

A pledge is simply your intended giving for 2026, given on a weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annual basis. It isn't a contract; you can adjust it at any time. But your intention helps us plan wisely and invest with confidence.

A word to all our RenoVision donors - thank you. Your generosity transformed our space. Now we invite operating support so that these renewed spaces can hum with ministry.

Your Year-End Gift

We are finishing 2025 with an operating shortfall of approximately \$35,000. Our reserves are healthy but limited; they allow us to bridge a year but cannot sustain repeated deficits. To grow as we're called to do, we need to grow both our donor base and our level of giving. We are pursuing grants and exploring new income streams, but the largest portion of our ministry funding comes from the generous giving of St. Laurence parishioners.

A year-end gift before December 31, 2025 helps close this gap and allows us to enter 2026 ready to invest in growth, not manage decline.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

For your 2026 pledge:

- Complete the attached pledge form
- Bring it to worship on November 23 (The Reign of Christ) or return it by December 15, 2025

For your year-end gift:

• Give by e-transfer to office@saintlaurence.ca (mention "Year-End Gift" in message) or by cheque marked "Year-End Gift"

Methods: e-transfer (preferred), PAD, offering envelopes, or cheque

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Legacy giving: Tick the box on the form or contact the parish office for more information

The Invitation

This is our moment. We're not shrinking or managing decline but investing in flourishing so that more people can belong, grow, and be supported in faith and in life.

Will you join me, through your pledge and your year-end gift, so that St. Laurence can welcome more people, serve more neighbours, and reflect Christ's love across the Tri-Cities?

With deep gratitude,

The Rev. Philip Cochrane, Rector



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Please COMPLETE this form and RETURN it to the parish office (attention: Envelope Secretary) by December 15, 2025 or bring it to worship on November 23 (The Reign of Christ)

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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| Donation to St. Laurence Parish | \$ | | | | | | | |
| Donation to Alongside Hope (PWRDF) | \$ | | | | | | | |
| Donation to SHARE (foodbank) | \$ | | | | | | | |
| Donation to Paul's Place (community meals) | \$ | | | | | | | |
| MY TOTAL ANNUAL PLEDGE | \$ | | | | | | | |
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| TAX RECEIPTS | All donations of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt. | | | | | | | |
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