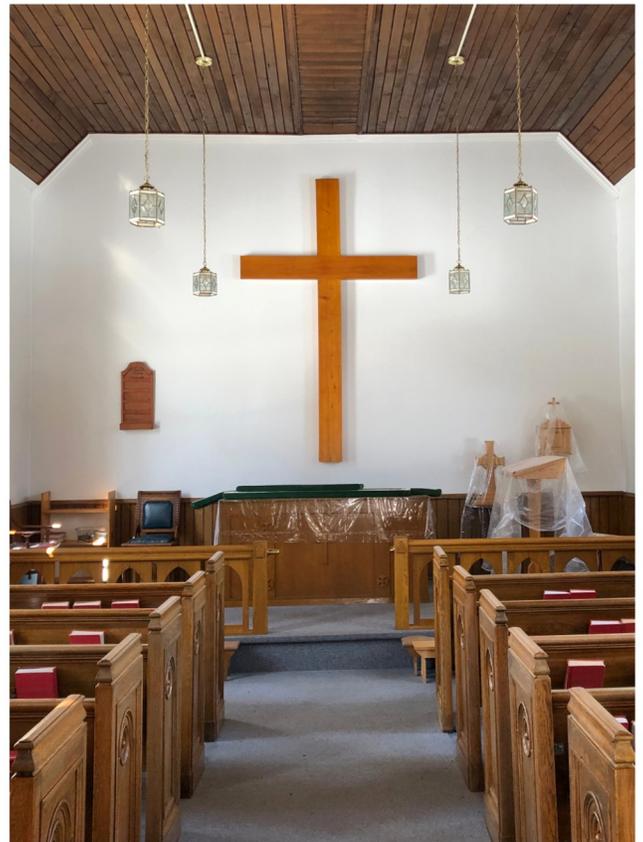


Anglican Church of the Ascension, Killaloe Ontario
and
St. John's Anglican Church, Tramore Ontario



Church of the Ascension Altar



St. John's Altar

Vestry Reports for the Year Ending December 31, 2025

VESTRY MEETING AGENDA

Sunday, March 22, 2026

Following the 9AM Holy Eucharist

Meeting Chair

The Rev. Matthew Brown, Incumbent

1. Opening Prayer
2. Signing of the Attendance Sheet and Solemn Declaration by all Participants
3. Housekeeping and Rules of Order
4. Appointment of the Vestry Clerk by the Churchwardens
5. Approval of the Agenda and Reception of Vestry Reports Package (Motion 1)
6. Approval of the 2025 Vestry Meeting Minutes (Motion 2)
7. Parish Staff Team Report
8. Churchwardens' Report
9. Financials
 - a) 2025 Central Account Financial Statement (Motion 3)
 - b) 2026 Parish of the Valley Regional Budget: Eganville-Killaloe/Tramore 2026 (Motion 4)
 - c) 2025 Congregational Financial Statement by Tim Moss, C.P.A. (Motion 5)
 - d) 2026 Congregational Budget (Motion 6)
 - Determination of Outreach Budget Recipients for 2026
10. Elections
 - a) Election of People's Warden (Motion 7)
 - b) Election of Members at Large, Congregational Council (Motion 8)
 - c) Election of Lay Member of Synod for the Parish of the Valley (Motion 9)
 - d) Designation of Financial Reviewer for 2026 (Motion 10)
 - e) Election of Cemetery Board – Inactive Killaloe Cemetery (Motion 11)
 - f) Designation of Congregational Signing Officers for 2026 (Motion 12)
11. Vote of Thanks
12. Adjournment with Prayer

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Notice is hereby given that the following motions will be presented to the Annual Vestry Meeting of Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore on Sunday, March 22, 2026:

MOTION 1: Adoption of Vestry Agenda & Reception of Reports Package

"That Vestry adopts the proposed agenda for March 22, 2026, and receives the Vestry reports package, including the 2025 Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore Compiled Financial Statements."

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 2: Annual Vestry Meeting Minutes – 2025

"That Vestry adopts the minutes of the annual Vestry meeting held on March 16, 2025, and deems them to be the official record of that meeting."

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 3: Financial Statements – Central – 2025

"That Vestry adopts the reviewed 2025 Financial Statements for the Central Account of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Eganville and Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore and deems them to be an accurate representation of the Central Account's financial position as of December 31, 2025."

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 4: Parish of the Valley Regional Budget: Eganville-Killaloe-Tramore – 2026

"That Vestry adopts the 2026 budget for the Eganville-Killaloe-Tramore region of the Parish of the Valley and directs the Parish Central Committee of the Parish of the Valley to oversee its implementation."

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 5: Financial Statements – Congregational – 2025

"That Vestry adopts the professionally compiled Ascension Killaloe / St John's Tramore Financial Statements prepared by Mr. Tim Moss, C.P.A. and deems them to be an accurate representation of the financial position of the congregation as of year-end 2025."

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 6: Budget – Congregational – 2026

"That Vestry adopts the proposed 2026 congregational budget for Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore and directs Congregational Council to oversee its implementation."

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 7: Election of People’s Warden

*“That **Julie McMillan** be elected as the People’s Warden for Ascension Killaloe / St. John’s Tramore for the ensuing calendar year.”*

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 8: Members of Congregational Council Elected by Vestry

*“That **Sue Fulcher** (Deputy Churchwarden & Outreach Coordinator), **Judy Martin** (Member at Large) and **Joan Toews** (Member at Large) be elected by Vestry to be members of the Congregational Council of Ascension Killaloe / St. John’s Tramore for the ensuing calendar year.”*

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 9: Election of a Lay Member of Synod

*“That **Julie McMillan** be elected as a Lay Member of Synod for the Parish of the Valley for a one -year term.”*

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 10: Financial Reviewer/Auditor for 2026

*“That **Tim Moss, C.P.A.** be named as the financial reviewer appointed by the Vestry for the year 2026, to perform an annual review of the congregational and parish finances.”*

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 11: 2026 Cemetery (Inactive) Boards of Directors

“That the proposed members of the Board of Directors for the inactive Killaloe Anglican Cemetery, as published in the Vestry package, be deemed to be duly elected and installed for the year 2026.”

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

MOTION 12: Ascension Killaloe / St. John’s Tramore Signing Officers

*“That **the Rev. Matthew Brown, Kathryn Marion, Julie McMillan, and Ted Williamson**, as our Incumbent, Churchwardens and Treasurer, be designated as the signing authorities for the Ascension Killaloe / St. John’s Tramore bank account at CIBC in Killaloe as of today, March 22, 2026. The signatures of two of these officers shall be required for all financial transactions.”*

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

**Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting for
The Congregation of Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore
Parish of the Valley
Sunday, March 16, 2025**

Held in person in the lower level of the Church of the Ascension, Killaloe, following the 9am service of Holy Communion. Eighteen eligible voters signed the Solemn Declaration of membership.

Meeting Chair: The Rev. Christine Muise, Associate Incumbent,
on behalf of our Incumbent, the Rev. Matthew Brown.

The Opening Prayer was held at 10:10am
The Solemn Declaration was signed by all participants.
The rules of order were reviewed by the meeting chair.
The notice paper was reviewed. The following motions were then presented for consideration by Vestry.
All motions were adopted by show of hands.

MOTION 1: Vestry Agenda & Reports Package

"That Vestry adopts the proposed agenda for March 16, 2025, and receives the Vestry reports package."

CARRIED

MOTION 2: Annual Vestry Meeting Minutes – 2024

"That Vestry adopts the minutes of the annual Vestry meeting held on February 25, 2024, and deems them to be the official record of that meeting."

CARRIED

MOTION 3: Financial Statements – Central – 2024

"That Vestry adopts the reviewed 2024 Financial Statements for the Central Account of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Eganville and Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore and deems them to be an accurate representation of the Central Account's financial position as of December 31, 2024."

CARRIED

MOTION 4: Financial Statements – Congregational – 2024

"That Vestry adopts the 2024 Financial Statements for Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore, directing that arrangements for the annual financial review by Cynthia de Boer be made by the churchwardens at the earliest opportunity, with the review report being provided to Congregational Council, as Vestry out of session, by no later than the Council's next meeting date, April 10th, 2025. The review report shall be published in next year's Vestry package for the benefit of all members."

CARRIED

Note: At its subsequent meeting on November 18, 2025, the Congregational Council reviewed and adopted the annual financial review for 2024 faithfully prepared by Cynthia de Boer. The Council further directed at that time that Mr. Tim Moss, Chartered Professional Accountant, be appointed as the financial reviewer of record for the Church of the Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore, for the purposes of completing a compilation engagement for fiscal year 2025. Mr. Moss' report has been provided to all members of Vestry 2026, in keeping with the provision passed by Vestry in Motion 4.

MOTION 5: Budget – Central – 2025

“That Vestry adopts the proposed 2025 budget for the Central Account of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Eganville and Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore and directs the Central Council to oversee its implementation.”

CARRIED

MOTION 6: Budget – Congregational – 2025

“That Vestry adopts the proposed 2025 congregational budget for Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore and directs Congregational Council to oversee its implementation.”

Prior to adopting the 2025 budget, the Vestry further discerned and directed that the following outreach donations be made by the Congregation of Ascension / St. John's in fiscal year 2025:

Water First:	\$1,000
Operation Smile:	\$500
Robbie Dean Centre:	\$500
Tools for Schools:	\$1,500 (includes \$750 budgeted in 2024)
Bernadette McCann House:	\$800
Rev. Charles (Homeland):	\$4,000 (includes \$2,000 budgeted in 2024)
Jabez Blanket:	\$150
Teen Challenge:	\$900
Impact Zambia:	\$500

CARRIED

MOTION 7: Election of People's Warden

*“That **Dan Sullivan** be elected as the People's Warden for Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore for the ensuing calendar year.”*

CARRIED

MOTION 8: Election of Members at Large of Congregational Council

*“That **Sharon Cybulski, Judy Martin and Joan Toews** be elected as Members at Large of the Congregational Council for Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore for the ensuing calendar year.”*

CARRIED

MOTION 9: Financial Reviewer/Auditor for 2025

*“That **Cynthia de Boer** (for the Ascension Killaloe / St. John’s Tramore Congregational Financial Statement) and **Joan Boldt** (for the Central Account Financial Statement) be named as the financial reviewers for the year 2025.”*

CARRIED

MOTION 10: 2025 Cemetery (Inactive) Boards of Directors

“That the proposed members of the Board of Directors for the inactive Killaloe Anglican Cemetery, as published in the Vestry package, be deemed to be duly elected and installed for the year 2025.”

CARRIED

MOTION 11: Ascension Killaloe / St. John’s Tramore Signing Officers

*“That **the Rev. Matthew Brown, Julie McMillan, Dan Sullivan, and Sue Fulcher** be designated as the signing authorities for the Ascension Killaloe / St. John’s Tramore bank account at CIBC in Killaloe. The signatures of two of these officers shall be required for all financial transactions.”*

CARRIED

Vote of Thanks

All members of the congregation were thanked for their participation in the Vestry and for faithfully offering gifts of time, talents and resources in service to God through our church.

As there was no further business to attend to, Rev. Christine adjourned the meeting with prayer at approximately 11:30am.

Typing of the Meeting Minutes by the Rev. Matthew Brown.

STAFF TEAM REPORT



Monday, February 16th, 2026

Family Day

*“But I have called you friends,
because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.”*

John 15: 15b

Dear Friends in Christ in our beloved Parish of the Valley,

Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ.

Working together as friends is at the heart of who we are as a parish community. Our Parish of the Valley is exceptionally large, covering a geographic area that includes most of Renfrew County and portions of the District of Nipissing: some 3,000 square kilometers. Spread across that vast geography, together as a parish family we steward 12 churches, 3 chapels, 13 cemeteries, 3 rectories, a central office building and numerous church halls; all of which are resources that support us as, with God’s help, we faithfully participate in God’s mission. Together, our parish community includes nearly 500 households, made up of more than 800 people who identify as members of our Anglican Church of Canada. We may not be together in one room very often, but together we know that the whole of who we are as a parish family is far greater than the sum of our parts. In the words of Saint Paul, “We, being many, are one body.” (*Romans 12:5*)

Since the creation of our Parish of the Valley in the spring of 2018, nearly eight years ago, teamwork has been one of our defining characteristics. Indeed, the work we have done together to nurture and grow a truly collaborative and innovative rural team ministry has now become a leading model for others to learn from in our Anglican Diocese of Ottawa and beyond. We should be proud of all that we have accomplished. We have made such great strides as a parish, with God’s help. And still we are called to more! We are called to trust in a living, loving, creative and imaginative God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. The Risen One is with us, constantly inviting us into an ever deepening and gracious experience of life lived fully in holy communion.

This year, to better reflect how our parish’s staff members actively and intentionally work together as a team to support the Parish of the Valley’s many ministries, we are pleased to present this unified staff team report to the annual meetings of our parish’s eleven congregational Vestries. Each member of our staff team has prepared a section of this report, detailing how we have offered leadership over the past year in our respective ministry portfolios. We hope that by seeing our shared work reported on in this format, it will give you, the members of our parish, a deeper sense of how closely we strive to work together to support our parish and each other: and have a lot of fun as a team as we do!

Incumbent

The Rev. Matthew Brown

As Incumbent I have the privilege of leading us in community as we continually discern how we are being called to participate in God's mission in our context. Given the sheer size of our Parish of the Valley, and the tremendous gifts that God has seen fit to bless us with through our incredible staff team and countless parish volunteers, I am regularly in awe of the work we are called to share in together and I am routinely humbled by it.

Much of my daily work involves providing oversight and ensuring coordination. I serve as a member of each of our Church Corporations and chair the meetings of our Congregational Councils across the parish. I also chair weekly meetings of our staff team, which take place every Wednesday morning at Aborn House in Pembroke following the midweek Holy Eucharist. Apart from Sundays, Wednesdays are the day each week that I most look forward to. It is a joy to encounter Christ in word and sacrament in the Eucharist, and then to encounter him anew in the faces, voices and hearts of my friends who are our staff team.

Helping to keep us organized as a parish is part and parcel of what I do. I prepare schedules to guide our worship leadership on Sundays and Wednesdays, and I keep track of all upcoming pastoral offices across the parish (baptisms, confirmations, weddings, funerals) to ensure that our parish's resources are always directed to offering meaningful and supportive pastoral care for all the members of our many congregations and chapels. In addition to the ministries of our clergy team, we are incredibly blessed in our parish with an amazing team of retired Honourary Assistant Clergy and Licensed Lay Readers, all of whom contribute to our parish's rich and vibrant worship life. We were further blessed, in the summer of 2025, to welcome The Rev. Dr. Sony Jabouin as a theological intern. I also regularly supported our worship and communications ministries by offering final review for all Valley Bulletins, bulletin inserts, orders of service, *Revelations* and e-newsletters prior to their publication.

Administratively, I offer oversight to all our parish's governance and reporting requirements, both ecclesial and secular. Together with Gail our Parish Administrator, I work to compile all the Council meeting and Vestry meeting packages for each of our parish's congregations. We prepare eight Vestry meeting packages every year, with each package containing ministry reports and financial statements for all our parish's constituent parts. I also work with our parish's many treasurers and cemetery board chairs to oversee the submission of our annual diocesan information returns (11 in total), annual cemetery license renewals (13 in total), and annual Canada Revenue Agency registered charity returns (11 in total).

Helping to steward our parish finances and care for our diverse infrastructure is another core part of my ministry. In 2025 our parish engaged in several significant property projects, including repairs to the belfry at St. Patrick's Lower Stafford, repairs to the furnace at Epiphany Barry's Bay, the installation of new windows at St. Anthony's Whitney, upgrades to the entranceway and office at All Saints Petawawa, the installation of a new boiler at our Aborn House office building, the repainting of the church roof at St. Paul's Cobden, and the installation of a new concrete accessibility ramp with new outdoor lighting at Holy Trinity Pembroke: to name only a few initiatives. All these efforts required varying degrees of project management on the part of the respective Church Corporations, and I am very grateful to our parish's many churchwardens and property committees for their significant work in shepherding these important initiatives, and numerous others, to completion.

One of our most important pieces of administrative work over the course of both 2024 and 2025 has been preparing for the launch of our Parish of the Valley's new central account and Parish Central Committee, as required by our diocesan Canons, Bylaws and Regulations. Our annual Parish Leaders' Days have been an important forum to share in stewarding this work, and I am grateful to all our staff, churchwardens, treasurers, and lay members of synod for their active participation over the past two years. As much as possible, our new central account structure seeks to replicate the financial frameworks that have been in place up to this point, with all shared expenses being assessed on a strictly regional basis. In other words, all annual diocesan assessment continues to be calculated and apportioned according to

our longstanding regional groupings, and shared costs linked to the upkeep of rectories are stewarded regionally (i.e. Killaloe/Tramore and Eganville look after the Eganville Rectory, Alice and Petawawa the Petawawa Rectory, etc.)

I am deeply grateful to Alexis Anderson of Holy Trinity Pembroke, who has graciously agreed to become our parish's new Central Treasurer as of January 1, 2026, and to Tim Moss, Chartered Professional Accountant, whose professional accounting firm continues to be an important source of support for many of our congregations and our parish as a whole.

As you can hopefully sense from this section of our team report, our parish's administrative life is significant, and beyond the capacity of any one human being to effectively manage on their own. To that end, I was heartened by the unanimous decision of Holy Trinity Pembroke's Congregational Council, at year-end 2025, to expand the position of our Parish Administrator, Gail Marion, from 22 hours per week to full-time status at 35 hours per week, effective January 1, 2026. Gail is very much our team's "right hand" in all things administrative, and thanks to generous financial support from other regions in our parish, I know that moving Gail's role to full-time will be to the lasting benefit of our Parish of the Valley community. I am also delighted that I get to see Gail more every day at Aborn House!

Somewhere amidst all the above I also have the privilege of leading you, God's beloved, as a priest of God's Church: of presiding at the table, preaching God's word, sitting in your living rooms and connecting over a cup of tea, and even sitting by your bedside in a hospital room. This is the work that sustains my heart and soul in my vocation as a priest. I am never "too busy" for it. Indeed, I need it, and I deeply cherish it, for it is in these sacred moments that God offers me the food I need for my own journey in faith. Thank you, dear friends, for entrusting this holy work to me as a member of your staff team. It is an honour to serve you.

Associate Incumbent: Communications & Advancement

The Rev. Gillian Hoyer

"Connection" has always been at the heart of my vocation: connection with God, with each other, and with ourselves. In the portfolio of Communications and Advancement, I have a unique opportunity to live into that ministry of connection.

Communications is how we tell our story and share our story with each other; it is how we tell the story of our parish and what God is doing in and through us to our community. We do that in several ways: through our print materials like the Valley Bulletin and *Revelations*, through our website and email newsletters, and through our social media accounts.

Each week, our Parish Administrator, Gail, and I collaborate on the first draft of our weekly Valley Bulletin, ensuring that the information is correct, the news and announcements are timely, and the opening two pages are relevant to our life together in the current season of our church year. I solicit articles for and edit our quarterly parish newspaper, *Revelations*. This is then printed by the office at Aborn House and distributed across the parish.

I am the chief editor for our website, which has become one of the primary ways that newcomers learn more about the life and ministries of our parish and all our congregations and chapels. Through our website, we coordinate our email newsletters, and we have 371 unique email addresses on our email list!

I also administer our parish social media, namely Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube. On our main Parish of the Valley Facebook page, we have 653 followers and over the last quarter of 2025, our Parish of the Valley Facebook posts were viewed by 42,997 people, with 44% of our views by followers and 56% by non-followers. So, does it make a difference when you like, comment on, or share our posts? Yes, it does!

On YouTube, we have 251 subscribers and our livestreamed services from Holy Trinity are watched by an average of 60-70 people weekly. I have heard from members across our parish that they enjoy worshipping along with us when they go south in the winter, or on days when the weather is not conducive to driving to church. This online service is also downloaded by YourTV Ottawa Valley to play weekly on Sundays, with a one-week delay, and I know that many of our members who now live in our local retirement homes join in with the parish on TV each week.

On the Advancement side, this is the ministry of stewardship – connecting the gifts that we all have and how we share them with God, with each other, and with the world around us.

Together with the clergy team and two different working groups, I work to produce our stewardship materials and provide technical support for online giving. The Ministry and Money Working Group at Holy Trinity Pembroke annually creates a spring stewardship program, *Digging Deep Reaching High*, together with a Pentecost Appeal. This involves a multi-week series of bulletin inserts that incorporates materials from The Episcopal Network for Stewardship (TENS) that we have access to from our diocesan membership. The St. John's Eganville Stewardship Working Group has focussed on identifying gifts of skill sets for ministries within the church. Finally, there is the Parish of the Valley's annual Advent Appeal, which over the last 6 years has raised over \$95,000 for ministry in and through the congregations of our parish! I help to give oversight to the appeal every year.

Lastly, as the mother of two young children, I have been honoured to work with a talented and dedicated group of lay leaders at Holy Trinity Pembroke to help coordinate the weekly Sunday School. I prepare the weekly leaders' rota and offer support with curriculum.

Associate Incumbent: Discipleship & Community Care

The Rev. Nicholas Forte

In 2025, we continued living into our faith, journeying with and towards Christ, caring for each other according to our abilities and capacities, listening for where the Spirit is leading us to those in our wider community who are in need, who are isolated, who are suffering without the care, and attention, and love that God has promised them.

Pastorally, we continue to pray for all those on our parish prayer list, both for those in our specific regions, but also for the whole list of beloved individuals whom we may not know but who have asked us to pray for them. We continue to check in on neighbours, friends, and family. Through our parish's Pastoral Visitation Team, which includes clergy and lay visitors, we visit approximately thirty-nine people across our parish - bringing them Holy Communion, Holy Anointing, and the companionship of our church family which remains just as strong, even when someone can't make it to church anymore or as often. Your clergy, with pastoral confidentiality and sensitivity, also support approximately one hundred and three individuals, couples, and families within our parish who are going through a wide variety of concerns - all in an effort to ensure that through life's many challenges and circumstances, that no one walks alone through their hardships. This, of course, is in addition to the ever-present care we all share towards each other - and as situations and circumstances arise for you, please don't hesitate to be in touch with us, as it is our privilege to journey with you.

In terms of Discipleship, we continue to reach out beyond our church buildings into the wider community and I have been able to connect with local community organizations and causes and work to continue making our society safer, more compassionate, and more open for all people. A number of congregations continue to set aside funds each year for disbursement to local and international causes, ensuring that those organizations can continue their vital work. My hope is to continue telling the stories of those organizations so that we can better understand the work they do, so that we can support them not only with our money, but with our prayers and possibly even with our action.

Our Food Bank Sundays are ongoing ways to ensure that whether in the coldest snowstorm or the sweltering heat, or in times of unemployment or grave illness, individuals and families still have the basic necessities they need to live.

Towards the end of the year, at one of our Messy Church events, the idea of 'Reverse Advent Boxes' was presented, which invited families to give, rather than receive. By filling a box according to the very practical themes of Warmth, Nourishment, Toiletries, and Clothing, our plan is to sort and deliver those boxes to local community organizations that can best provide those things to whoever needs them most.

Both Discipleship and Community Care are foundations of our Christian walk of faith, so I invite you, whether you've been walking for years or are just starting to find your feet, to join us in caring for our community and walking with our God.

Associate Incumbent: Lifelong Formation

The Rev. Christine Muise

"Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11: 29-30

It is hard to believe that 2025 was my first full year of being called to serve in ministry with you, and a full year with my portfolio of lifelong formation. It has been my focus to journey with our beloved parish in meaningful ministry, worship, and learning opportunities. This past year our team has prepared adults, families and children for 16 baptisms. We also prepared and celebrated 5 adults for confirmation.

Through Lent 2025 we offered Grief Sessions using materials from the Appreciative Way. (A series of 2 sessions for each location: Epiphany, Barry's Bay; St. John the Evangelist, Eganville, and Holy Trinity Pembroke.) Holden Evening Prayer was also offered weekly on Wednesdays at 7pm in partnership with St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, Pembroke.

We hosted our inaugural 'Messy Church,' an intergenerational offering that involves snacks, games, activities, crafts and more followed by a delicious meal. The Messy Church team consists of leaders throughout the parish: Lorna McLaren, Wanda Hilts, Rev. Nick Forte, and Julie McMillan. February 1st was held at the Laurentian Valley Four Seasons Lodge. June 20th was held at Holy Trinity Pembroke. December 5th was held at St. George South Alice. Planning is now underway for three sessions of Messy Church in 2026.

In late spring, we received a request from our Lutheran partners for assistance with Camp Lutherlyn. I was dispatched and was the onsite chaplain from July 20th-25th. It was a great experience, and I also learned about their 'Confirmation Camp' that runs each year for youth. It is our hope that our parish will join Confirmation Camp this year. It runs from July 5-July 10, 2026.

Part of lifelong formation is also participating in and creating space for deepening circles of connection and growth that stretch beyond our denomination and faith communities. In 2025 our Parish participated in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 19th), World Day of Prayer (March 7th), and National Indigenous Day of Prayer (June 21st).

In Advent, a contemplative offering of Taizé Worship was offered in Pembroke on Wednesdays at 4PM from November 26th to December 17th. This was well received, both in-person and online.

Our Bulletin Offerings and Reflections are a collaboration with our entire staff team. This offers us all the opportunity to share in liturgy, to offer reflections and to connect throughout the whole parish. Lifelong formation is the understanding that we are always on a journey together.

This past October, our Diocese contributed to my journey of continuing education by the invitation to attend the St. Clement's College of Preaching Conference that is hosted by the Diocese of Toronto. Six clergy from the Diocese of Ottawa traveled to the Queen of the Apostles Centre in Mississauga, it was an amazing Master Class of preaching led

Alongside my continued journey as a Novice in Third Order of The Society of Saint Francis (TSSF), I have been able to use my study leave for participating with the Contemplative Society of Eastern Ontario Spring and Fall Retreats hosted at the Galilee Centre.

As I continue on this journey, called to serve our beloved Parish of the Valley, I am so very thankful for the privilege of journeying with you!

“Come and journey, come and journey, with a Saviour who has come. We are all God’s sons and daughters; in the Spirit we are one.” Common Praise 482 ... Herbert O’Driscoll

Parish Administrator

Gail Marion

The year of our Lord 2025 was a very busy year at Aborn House. The photocopier and I were running a marathon for most of the year. We produced 52 Valley Bulletins, with over 11,000 copies distributed, 28 funeral bulletins, Cemetery Service bulletins for each one of our cemeteries, Holy Baptism bulletins, and numerous other special occasion bulletins, and now I will be designing, compiling and printing all of our Vestry packages.

Although I may not get to attend all of these services, know that I am always with you in spirit as I create the bulletin for your service. I feel close to all of you when I am working on these. When working on a Baptismal or Marriage Bulletin, happy thoughts are with me throughout the entire process. When working on a Funeral Bulletin, my grieving begins, and my thoughts are with members of the family who have suffered the loss. This is a profoundly spiritual journey for me, and I am honoured that this work is entrusted to me.

I am also here to help members of the parish and their families with any inquiries they may have. That could involve a copy of their baptismal certificate, inquiries about booking a Hall for a special occasion, or providing help to people searching for a long lost loved one that may be resting in one of our cemeteries. I get asked about the kind of flowers we have growing in the borders next to Aborn House. I also maintain all the Official Registries for all of the churches in the parish: I keep track of all baptisms, funerals & burials, confirmations and marriages. I record the “circle of life” for the Parish of the Valley.

Most importantly, I love it when familiar voices come to the office in person. It is a pleasure getting to know all of you. I look forward to serving you in 2026.

Conclusion

As a staff team we hope you have enjoyed perusing our annual report to the Vestries. We are but five members of our beloved Parish of the Valley. We each have the privilege of serving and supporting our parish, working together as a team of professionals in parish ministry. However, we know that our all efforts are just that – service and support. The real work of living-into God’s mission in this parish rests with you, dear friends: the Anglican people of God living in the valleys of the Ottawa, Bonnechere and Madawaska rivers.

May God continue to bind us all together in humble service, support and friendship, as we abide together in God’s love. May we continue to bear much fruit together as Jesus Christ’s disciples in this time and place. May our joy as beloved friends be complete (*John 15: 9-11*).

CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT

Church of the Ascension, Killaloe and St. John's, Tramore
Parish of the Valley
Churchwardens' Report to the Annual Vestry Meeting, 2026
For the year 2025

"Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path." Psalm 119:105

I feel our congregation is this for each other and all who enter our church doors. The gift of hospitality comes in seamless ways with each other, guests and our community.

We want to thank our wonderful clergy team for their spiritual guidance, faith filled presence, and dedication to our church and the Parish of the Valley. Rev. Matthew, Rev. Gillian, Rev. Nick and Rev. Christine work so well together sharing a wide variety of talents and knowledge that we are so fortunate to have as our leadership. Their ability to share the Gospel goes beyond sermons and always involves actions that allow Jesus to work among us. Thank you for walking alongside and leading us on our journey of faith.

I want to thank everyone who has been involved in helping me during my first year as a churchwarden. I have learned so much but mostly that each member here volunteers in so many ways that I just want to thank you all for saying yes to make our services and church run smoothly. Thank you for counting money on Sundays, reading, setting up and serving on the altar, cleaning out cupboards, spring cleaning together at St. John's, decorating for Christmas and so many little ways that are your "Yes", for Jesus. Thank you!

I also want to especially thank the music ministry led by Sharon, and in the last months continued with Kathy's musical gifts and Anne's quiet input plus our extra musicians who make our services so wonderful. Music is such an added way to worship and if we didn't have it we would all miss the depth it brings to our time together in worship.

We have again had a faithful year of giving generously to outreach ministries and soup and sandwich days in partnership with the food bank. It takes many hands to complete this work, and I thank everyone who takes part in the scheduling process, making food, and distributing the soup and sandwiches each month. We are so fortunate our group of volunteers has expanded into the community to help this service be sustainable. Thank you!

Our cemetery service and simple social was also a wonderful outreach to our community.

We have also continued the tradition of coffee and delicious snacks to share once a month. I truly enjoy those get together as well as how many times many of us go out for coffee or breakfast up at the Barry's Bay Legion. We are family and I treasure my time with you. Thank you for making everyone feel so welcomed.

Our church family has had to say goodbyes to two amazing people, Jim Poland and Sandra Sharp. It is with sadness for us that they have passed but with joy that they have been united with our Lord. We are so blessed to believe in Jesus' resurrection and that we also will be reunited when our time here is complete. May we continue to hold their families in our hearts and prayers as they move through mourning the loss of loved ones. Especially pray for Dorothy who is missed in our weekly services and is living in Pembroke.

A counterbalance for death is life and wasn't it wonderful to celebrate Eden's baptism at St. John's Church in Tramore this summer? We continue to pray for Dan and Amanda as they journey through being young Christian parents.

There will be changes in some leadership roles this year. We want to thank Dan for his assistance with so many roles over the last two years. It was wonderful that he saw a need and was able to help our church. At this time though, Dan had discerned that he will be stepping down from the roles of Churchwarden, Treasurer and Property Lead. Let us all be thankful for his service and wish him peace in his decisions.

We are pleased that Kathy Marion has agreed to become the Rector's Warden this year. Her expertise is so valuable, and I am happy we will get to work as a team. Ted Williamson will now be our Treasurer, supported by Marnie. We still need to fill the role of Property Lead.

I have also had the great pleasure of being a member of Synod over the last two years and now am going to get to experience the process of an electoral Synod as we participate in electing our new Bishop. It has given me such a wider scope of how God is working within the Ottawa Diocese and how we here in Parish of the Valley are a vital role in God's plan. Our worship, prayer, fellowship and outreach are ways for us to let our Lord's light shine.

I pray that we allow God to speak to our hearts as we meet together in our Vestry meeting and guide our cooperative decisions for this coming year.

May 2026 be a year that we each grow closer to our Father and be able to share his messages by our actions, deeds and words.

“ He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.”

Philippians 1:6

May He bless our year and all we do together as a church family.

Respectively submitted:

Julie McMillan

2025 Outreach Projects

We have developed a varied Outreach Programme with local, national, and inter-national projects for all different age groups.

- 1) Soup and Sandwich- provides a lunch for 49-50 Killaloe Food Bank clients every other Tuesday.
- 2) Animal Rescue- finds homes for abandoned dogs and cats.
- 3) Jabez- support Calvery Baptist Church who send “back packs of hope” to orphanages of poverty-stricken countries. Each backpack contains a teddy bear, school supplies, and a colourful hand- made blanket.
- 4) Tools for School- support ‘ Renfrew County Poverty Action Network’ who supply backpacks to 1000-1500 needy students in Renfrew County. Each \$75.00 provides a back-pack with school supplies and a pair of shoes.
- 5) Bernadette McCann House- their mission is to work for change that will end abuse by providing: shelter, safety, counselling , legal support, crisis line support, services for children, education to all those who experience abuse,and education/prevention services for adults and survivor engagement groups.
- 6) Robbie Dean Counselling Centre- provides compassionate and accessible mental health support to individuals and families throughout Renfrew County through free counselling services- both individual and group sessions.
- 7) Teen Challenge-offers a proven 12 month, faith based, in-residence recovery programme for ages 18 plus, facing life-controlling addictions: either alcohol or drugs. They recently (2022) opened ‘Eastern Ontario Men’s Centre’ near Renfrew that can accommodate 16 men.
- 8) Water First-partners with indigenous communities that identify training and education as one part of their solution for clean water. They provide a 15 month technical internship for Canadian indigenous youth to enable them to run and maintain clean water equipment for their reserves.
- 9) Operation Smile- provides surgical equipment and after care expenses for children in poverty-stricken countries who receive cleft palate surgery from volunteer surgeons.
- 10) Homeland School and Orphanage- retired Anglican Priest, Reverend Charles, and his wife Rebecca, started their orphanage and school for Ugandan children and have created a successful community that now also includes elderly residents. Some students have successfully gone on to university.

WIDE SMILES FOR ALL UGANDA REPORT

Education in Uganda

St. John's Eganville's Partners at *Wide Smiles for All Through Education*

We were very blessed to welcome the Executive Director of *Wide Smiles for All Through Education*, Kenneth Kasule, to the Parish of the Valley in the spring of 2025. Kenneth stayed with families throughout the parish and, over his six weeks with us, made presentations to six of our congregations, as well as in our neighbouring parish of St. Barnabas, Deep River.

During Kenneth's visit, we learned more about the impact of student sponsorship—from primary through post-secondary education—and how supported students are thriving through access to education. We were also inspired by the plans for the Central Buganda Academy and Career Centre. This ambitious project has the potential to support hundreds more students each year as they pursue higher education.

Over the last few years, the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) has changed some of its requirements governing how registered Canadian charities can transfer money to charities outside of Canada. That, coupled with internal control requirements for our Anglican Diocese of Ottawa, necessitated us to find a new means of transferring funds raised in Canada to *Wide Smiles for All* in Uganda.

After considerable conversation with several different international relief and development partners in Canada, St. John's was connected with the Canada-Africa Partnership Network (CAP Network) by a senior partner at our Anglican Diocese of Ottawa's auditing firm, Deloitte.

CAP Network is registered Canadian charity (CRA charity registration no. 888987500 RR 0001). Their mandate is to facilitate relationships exactly like ours: local Canadian organizations who wish to support grass-roots community projects in Africa. After a series of conversations taking place over the winter, we are pleased that the CAP Network has given preliminary approval for St. John's to join as an affiliate partner of CAP, with *Wide Smiles* as our project partner in Africa.

Working with the CAP Network will enable us to transfer funds to *Wide Smiles* while respecting the new CRA and diocesan guidelines, with the CAP Network looking after all required regulatory paperwork – including annual compliance reporting from *Wide Smiles*, and annual charitable reporting that is required by the CRA. This partnership will also enable online donations to be received for *Wide Smiles* from anywhere in Canada without adding an extra administrative burden on volunteers at St. John's. There will be a nominal administration fee of 7% when donations are transferred, however the net benefit to both St. John's and *Wide Smiles* will be significant.

Though we are still in the process of signing a final agreement, the CAP Network kindly facilitated a 2025 year-end transfer of funds from St. John's to *Wide Smiles* through an existing CAP Network partner in Uganda. Because of this, we are delighted to confirm that all 20 of the students that St. John's has sponsored for 2026 have had their school fees paid in full and are enrolled in school this year! We look forward to transferring the balance of the funds raised in 2025 to *Wide Smiles* once the final agreement is signed between St. John's, *Wide Smiles*, and the CAP Network.

If you have any questions about this new partnership please speak with Rev. Gillian Hoyer, who has been taking the lead on this partnership work on behalf of our Parish of the Valley staff team.

Report prepared by the Rev. Gillian Hoyer



Church of the Ascension Killaloe / St. John's Tramore

STATISTICS 2025

BAPTISMS – 1

Eden Sullivan

CONFIRMATIONS – 0

WEDDINGS – 0

FUNERALS & BURIALS – 2

Jim Poland

Sandra Sharp

Average Sunday attendance: 22 (980/45 – 1 service at Holy Trinity Pembroke for Episcopal Visit, 1 cancelled due to heating, 1 not recorded in the Vestry Book).

PARISH OF THE VALLEY ONLINE VIEWERSHIP RECORDS –2025

Due to COVID-19 the Parish of the Valley began broadcasting “Zoom worship” on YouTube in March 2020. Beginning in November 2020, those services were also made available on television through Cogeco’s YourTV Ottawa Valley.

In January 2022, Holy Trinity Pembroke installed a new audio-visual system in the sanctuary for recording and live-streaming. Since then, each week the Sunday service, as well as seasonal services and services for different life-events like funerals, is live-streamed to YouTube where it is available for viewing live or at a later date. They are also then broadcast on YourTV Ottawa Valley with a one-week delay.

The following chart outlines weekly “views” on YouTube for these digital services in 2025. Each “view” represents a device playing the video once. It does not capture if multiple people are watching at the same time in a household, or if a service is watched multiple times by the same person or family.

<u>Video Air Date - 2025</u>	<u>Total YouTube Views</u>
Funeral – Joyce Moore-Cowan, January 4 th	289
Sunday January 5 th	96
Sunday January 12 th	74
Funeral – John Sterling, January 17 th	114
Funeral – Ann Cochrane	103
Sunday, January 19 th	78
Sunday January 26 th	65
Sunday February 2 nd	63
Sunday February 9 th	60
Sunday February 16 th (no livestream)	NA
Sunday February 23 rd	47
Sunday March 2 nd	53
Ash Wednesday Evening, March 5 th	38
Sunday March 9 th	86
Sunday March 16 th (no livestream)	NA
Funeral – Jamie Bramburger, March 18 th	5114
Sunday, March 30 th	121
Sunday, April 6 th	75
Palm Sunday – April 13 th	77
Maundy Thursday – April 17 th	33
Good Friday – April 18 th	60
The Great Vigil of Easter- April 19 th	74
Easter Sunday – April 20 th	58
Sunday April 27 th	35
Sunday May 4 th	47

Sunday May 25 th	56
Sunday June 1 st	42
Sunday June 8 th	51
Sunday June 15 th	50
Sunday June 22 nd	43
Sunday, June 29 th	56
Sunday July 6 th	45
Sunday July 13 th	52
Sunday July 20 th	50
Sunday July 27 th (Cemetery Service)	54
Sunday August 3 rd	31
Sunday August 10 th	28
Sunday August 17 th	28
Sunday August 24 th	28
Sunday August 31 st	37
Sunday September 7 th	41
Sunday September 14 th	27
Sunday September 21 st	37
Sunday September 28 th (Episcopal Visit)	111
Funeral – Terry Kosmack	335
Sunday October 5 th	42
Sunday October 12 th	38
Sunday October 19 th	45
Sunday October 26 th	38
Sunday November 1 st	56
Sunday November 9 th	47
Sunday November 16 th	39
Sunday November 23 th	36
Advent Taize 1	55
Sunday, November 30 th	49
Advent Taize 2	61
Sunday December 7 th	35
A Joyous Prelude to Christmas Concert	73
Advent Taize 3	26
Sunday December 14 th	46
Advent Taize 4	18
Sunday December 21 st	38
Christmas Eve	42
Sunday December 28 th	44

2025 CENTRAL ACCOUNT YEAR END SUMMARY

2025 CENTRAL ACCOUNT BUDGET - EGANVILLE/KILLALOE/TRAMORE				<i>January 1, 2025 (MODIFIED JAN 21)</i>			
Diocesan Expenses	2024 Diocesan Assess	2024 September Diocesan Assess.	2025 January Diocesan Assess.				
ECOPS (Priestly cost)	\$68,850.00	\$68,850.00	\$69,955.00				
Bramma Transf out ecops July/Aug		(\$8,740.00)	\$0.00				
Muise Ecops Sept -Dec		\$617.00	\$0.00				
Curacy Grant	(\$6,900.00)	(\$6,900.00)	\$0.00				
Elim Curacy Grant July-Dec		\$3,450.00	\$0.00				
Proportional Share	\$6,806.00	\$6,806.00	\$9,182.00				
Insurance	\$6,939.00	\$6,939.00	\$6,939.00				
Wilker-Blakley Supply	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
TOTAL ASSESSMENT FROM DIOC.	\$75,695.00	\$71,022.00	\$86,076.00				
Congregational Expenses	Final Central Expenses 2024	Projected 2025 Congregationa Expenses 2025	Jan to March 31	April 1 to June	July 1 to Sept	Oct 1-Dec 31	TOTAL
Liturgical Supplies	\$791.17	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$ 22.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22.50
Telephone *	\$744.48	\$800.00	\$185.10	\$ 185.10	\$ 185.10	\$221.28	\$776.58
Bell Internet	\$979.71	\$1,000.00	\$250.86	\$ 257.64	\$ 271.20	\$271.20	\$1,050.90
Reimbursement Bell Tel and Internet	-\$901.40	\$0.00					
	\$0.00	\$0.00					
Office Supplies	\$416.69	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$316.80	\$111.75	\$428.55
POV Communications Fund	\$625.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
Other (calendars 2024)	\$113.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Synod Registration & Travel	\$727.08	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$974.78	\$974.78
Bank fees	\$5.58	\$6.00	\$0.40	\$ 0.60	\$ 1.00	\$1.20	\$3.20
Alarm	\$541.68	\$550.00	\$135.42	\$ 135.42	\$ 135.42	\$135.42	\$541.68
Clergy Supply	\$219.60	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$4,262.59	\$5,906.00	\$1,321.78	\$601.26	\$909.52	\$1,715.63	\$4,548.19

2025 Percentages for Central Calculations
 Ascension & St. John's Tramore 30.96%
 St. John's Eganville 69.04 %

2025 CENTRAL ACCOUNT YEAR END SUMMARY

Rectory Expenses	2024 Final	2025 Projected					TOTAL
	Rectory Expenses	Rectory Expenses	Jan to March 31	April 1 to June	July 1 to Sept 31	Oct 1-Dec 31	
Hydro	\$1,067.03	\$ 1,150.00	\$325.63	\$ 275.97	\$ 381.42	\$275.74	\$1,258.76
Propane	\$2,993.13	\$ 3,100.00	\$2,031.33	\$0.00	\$ 658.12	\$1,128.83	\$3,818.28
Reimbursement Hydro, Prop.	-\$2,863.22	\$0.00					
Snow	\$1,017.00	\$1,017.00	\$1,017.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,017.00
Lawn **	\$75.00	\$ 75.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Furnace (Maintenance) ***	\$282.44	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Taxes (BV)	\$485.67	\$ 500.00	\$242.84	\$0.00	\$263.28	\$0.00	\$506.12
House maintenance	\$260.29	\$ 3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Water & sewer	\$1,562.85	\$ 1,625.00	\$402.00	\$407.22	\$407.22	\$407.22	\$1,623.66
Reimbursement Water & Sewer	-\$908.62	\$0.00					
TOTAL	\$3,971.57	\$10,767.00	\$4,018.80	\$683.19	\$1,710.04	\$1,811.79	\$8,223.82
	FTOTALS 2024	Budgetted 2025	FINAL 2025				
Total Rectory & Shared Central	\$8,234.16	\$16,673.00					\$12,772.01
Total Diocese	\$71,022.00	\$86,076.00					\$86,076.00
Total Dio, Rect & Shared Central	\$79,256.16	\$102,749.00					\$98,848.01
* Telephone overpaid in 4th quarter in error. Credit will appear in Jan 2026							
** lawn invoice was not received in 2025. It was a very dry summer							
***furnace maintenance done in January 2025 was prepaid in 2024.							

REVENUE VS DISBURSMENT TABLE FOR EGANVILLE-KILLALOE-TRAMORE CENTRAL ACCOUNT 2025
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Opening Bank Balance	\$ 9,424.96
Eganville Remittances	\$ 64,966.35
Killaloe/Tramore Remittances	\$ 31,811.16
Less Disbursements	\$ (98,848.01)
Less Year-End Transfer to New Parish of the Valley Central Account	\$ (7,329.46)
Closing Bank Balance	\$ 25.00

REQUIRED 2025 REMITTANCES PER CENTRAL BUDGET APPROVED BY VESTRIES

Eganville:	\$70,938
Killaloe/Tramore:	\$31,811

CALCULATION OF 2026 CENTRAL CREDITS

2025 Eganville Opening Credit from Year-end 2024:	\$5,971.65
2025 Killaloe/Tramore Opening Credit from Year-end 2024:	\$3,453.31 <i>(not used in 2025)</i>
Year-end 2025 Central Account Funds on Hand (POTV Transfer + \$25):	\$7,354.46
Less Unused Killaloe/Tramore Central Credit from Year-end 2024:	<u>\$(3,453.31)</u>
Balance on Hand of 2025 Central Account Remittances:	\$3,901.15
2026 Eganville Credit (\$3,901.15 x 69.04%)	\$2,693.35
2026 Killaloe/Tramore Credit (\$3,901.15 x 30.96%) + \$3,453.31	\$4,661.11

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL REVIEWER

I have examined the general accounts balance for the Central Account for the Congregations of St. John's Eganville and Ascension Killaloe/St John's Tramore, Parish of the Valley, as of December 31, 2025, and the statements of receipts of disbursements for the year ended 2025.

My examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of accounting.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Central Account as of December 31, 2025, and the results of its financial activities for the year ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of previous years.

Name of Financial Reviewer Joan Boldt

Signed 

Address: 202 Link Rd Eganville ON K0J 1T0

Date: March 12, 2026

CALCULATION OF CENTRAL ACCOUNT PROPORTIONS FOR 2026

	Eganville	Killaloe / Tramore
2025 Gross Revenue	\$ 103,498	\$ 49,508
2025 Cemetery Revenues (less)	\$ (3,656)	\$ -----
2025 Cemetery PCM Dividends (less)	\$ (1,653)	\$ -----
2025 Capital Expenses (less)	\$ (2,863)	\$ -----
2025 Outreach (less)	\$ (13,278.06)	\$ (7,850)
2025 HST Rebate Received (less)	\$ (1,620)	\$ (16.93)*
2025 CTF Deposits (less)	\$ (25,765)	\$ (5,000)
Total Assessable	\$ 54,662.94	\$ 36,641.07
Gross Assessable	\$ 91,304.01	\$ 91,304.01
Percentage Calculation	59.87%	40.13%
Central Total Expenses 2026	\$ 104,594.00	\$ 104,594.00
% Share of Central Expenses 2026	\$ 62,620.43	\$ 41,973.57
Central Account Credits (less)	\$ (2,693.35)	\$ (4,661.11)
Balance Owing to Central 2026	\$ 59,927.08	\$ 37,312.46
Monthly Payment 2026	\$ 4,993.92	\$ 3,109.37

*Note: HST Rebates were not filed in 2024 or 2025. \$16.93 is an accrual adjustment figure provided by Tim Moss, C.P.A. Anticipated congregational rebate for 2024 & 2025 is \$977.77.

2026 PARISH OF THE VALLEY REGIONAL BUDGET

Parish of the Valley - Eganville & Killaloe/Tramore (Eganville, Killaloe/Tramore)

Budget 2025 / Actual 2025 / Budget 2026

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Proposed Budget	Comments
REVENUE & CREDITS				
Balance Transferred at Year End 2025	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,329.46	Credit from 2025 (Eganville) & 2024-25 (Killaloe)
Anticipated BMO Account Close-Out Transfer			\$ 25.00	Credit
Alongside Hope (PWRDF) Received	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Donations: Flow Through
St Johns Eganville Central Remittance	\$ 70,937.91	\$ -	\$ 59,927.08	Contribution from congregation to POTV
Ascension Killaloe / St Johns Tramore Central Remittance	\$ 31,811.09	\$ -	\$ 37,312.46	Contribution from congregation to POTV
TOTAL REVENUE & CREDITS	\$ 102,749.00	\$ -	\$ 104,594.00	

EXPENSES				
DIOCESAN				
<i>DIOCESAN REMITTANCE</i>				
(Less) Endowment Dividends Applied at Source	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
ECOPS	\$ 69,955.00	\$ -	\$ 69,256.00	2.4% decrease
Insurance	\$ 6,939.00	\$ -	\$ 7,147.00	3.0% increase
Proportional Share	\$ 9,182.00	\$ -	\$ 9,289.00	1.2% increase
Alongside Hope: PWRDF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	To Flow Through POTV beginning 2026
Total Diocesan Expenses	\$ 86,076.00	\$ -	\$ 85,692.00	

(expenses continued on next page)

2026 PARISH OF THE VALLEY REGIONAL BUDGET

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Proposed Budget	Comments
SHARED EXPENSES				
<i>PARISH EVENTS</i>				
Fellowship	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00	Parish Leaders' Day & Messy Church (New in 2026)
Synod	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	Registration & Hotel for 1 Lay & 1 Clergy Member
<i>PARISH SHARED EXPENSES</i>				
Office Administrator Stipend Contribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	35 hours/week; \$39,840 /year
Bank Fees	\$ 6.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	(New in 2026)
Parish Communication Fund	\$ 750.00	\$ -	\$ 750.00	Amount requested by POTV
<i>REGIONAL SHARED EXPENSES</i>				
Liturgical Supplies	\$ 800.00	\$ -	-	To be invoiced separately to each congregation.
Telephone	\$ 800.00	-	\$ 800.00	
Bell Internet	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,050.00	
Office Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ -	-	Covered by Parish Communication Fund
Alarm	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ 550.00	
Supply Clergy	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 750.00	
Rectory Hydro	\$ 1,150.00	\$ -	\$ 1,275.00	
Rectory Propane	\$ 3,100.00	\$ -	\$ 3,850.00	
Rectory Snow	\$ 1,017.00	\$ -	\$ 1,017.00	
Rectory Lawn	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 75.00	
Rectory Furnace (maintenance)	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00	
Rectory Taxes (BV)	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 510.00	

2026 PARISH OF THE VALLEY REGIONAL BUDGET

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Proposed Budget	Comments
Rectory Maintenance	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	
Rectory Water/Sewer	\$ 1,625.00		\$ 1,700.00	
Total Shared Expenses	\$ 16,673.00	\$ -	\$ 18,902.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 102,749.00	\$ -	\$ 104,594.00	1.8% increase
TOTAL REVENUE & CREDITS	\$ 102,749.00	\$ -	\$ 104,594.00	
minus TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 102,749.00	\$ -	\$ 104,594.00	
SURPLUS / (LOSS)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

	2026 Annual Total	Monthly Total
St Johns Eganville	\$ 59,927.08	\$ 4,993.92
Ascension Killaloe/St Johns Tramore	\$ 37,312.46	\$ 3,109.37

Note: Please make all monthly remittance cheques payable to "Parish of the Valley" and send to Aborn House, 68 Renfrew St. Pembroke, Ontario K8A 5R6

2026 CONGREGATIONAL BUDGET

The Church of Ascension Killaloe / St.John's Tramore: 2026 Budget

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget
Revenue			
Tithes and Offerings (including Outreach)	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 44,047.00	\$ 44,000.00
Bequest Income	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
HST Rebate (PSB) - note, not filed in '24 or '25	\$ -	\$ 684.00	\$ 1,500.00
GIC Interest	\$ -	\$ 153.00	\$ 150.00
TOTAL Revenue	\$ 47,000.00	\$ 49,884.00	\$45,650.00

GIC Balance \$6,292.00

CTF Balance \$5,000.00

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget
Expenses			
Central Account (Inter-fund Transfer)	\$ 31,811.09	\$ 31,811.00	\$ 37,312.46
Property			
Snow Removal (Lot Maintenance)	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 1,200.00
Yard Maintenance	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 600.00
Church Cleaning (Caretaker)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 2,000.00
Church Restoration	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Miscellaneous Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 300.00	\$ 242.00	\$ 300.00
Building			
Burial Vault	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Water	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Sewage	\$ 500.00	\$ 447.00	\$ 450.00
Hydro	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 895.00	\$ 1,000.00
Heating Oil	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,704.00	\$ 4,000.00
Furnance Maintenance	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Building Supplies	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Other			
Church Supplies	\$ 50.00	\$ 387.00	\$ 350.00
Bank Charges	\$ 100.00	\$ 163.00	\$ 165.00
Music	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Organist	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
Discretionary	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ -
HST	\$ 700.00	\$ 704.00	\$ 700.00
Misc/Gifts (Soup & Sandwich)	\$ 200.00	\$ 346.00	\$ 200.00
Professional Accountant	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Central Account Credit		\$ (1,208.00)	\$ -
Outreach (Missions)			
Water First	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	TBD
Operation Smile	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	TBD
Robbie Dean Centre	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	TBD
Tools for Schools ('24 & '25)	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	TBD
Bernadette McCann House	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	TBD
Rev. Charles: Homeland ('24 & '25)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	TBD
Jabez Blanket	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	TBD
Teen Challenge	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	TBD
Impact Zambia	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	TBD
TOTAL Expenses	\$ 56,611.09	\$ 49,201.00	\$52,927.46
NET REVENUE & EXPENSES	\$ (9,611.09)	\$ 683.00	\$ (7,277.46)

2026 Outreach (if same as last	
\$ 1,000.00	
\$ 500.00	
\$ 500.00	
\$ 750.00	
\$ 800.00	
\$ 4,000.00 ('25 & '26)	
\$ 150.00	
\$ 900.00	
\$ 500.00	
\$ 9,100.00 Total Outreach	

Closing CIBC Bank Balance as of Dec 31, 2025: \$14,693.26

CHURCH OFFICE HOLDERS

Ascension/St. John's Church Office Holders 2026: Appointments and Nominations

Parish of the Valley Clergy Team

Incumbent (Rector)	The Rev. Matthew Brown
Associate Incumbent: Discipleship & Community Care	The Rev. Nicholas Forte
Associate Incumbent: Communications & Advancement	The Rev. Gillian Hoyer
Associate Incumbent: Lifelong Formation	The Rev. Christine Muise

Ascension/St. John's Church Corporation

Consisting of the Incumbent and the churchwardens:

Rector's Warden (<i>appointed by Incumbent</i>)	Kathryn Marion
People's Warden (<i>elected by Vestry</i>)	Julie McMillan

Ascension/St. John's Congregational Council

Includes all parish clergy in appointment, the churchwardens, and

Deputy Churchwarden & Outreach (<i>elected by Vestry</i>)	Sue Fulcher
Treasurer (<i>appointed by Corporation</i>)	Ted Williamson
Member at Large (<i>elected by Vestry</i>)	Judy Martin
Member at Large (<i>elected by Vestry</i>)	Joan Toews
Member at Large (<i>appointed by Incumbent</i>)	Sharon Cybulski
Member at Large (<i>appointed by Incumbent</i>)	Marnie Williamson

Other Office Holders

Financial Reviewer (<i>appointed by Vestry</i>)	Tim Moss, C.P.A.
Lay Member of Synod: Parish of the Valley	Julie McMillan
Central Treasurer: Parish of the Valley	Alexis Anderson

Cemetery Board of Directors Members (Inactive Killaloe Anglican Cemetery)

Chair	The Rev. Matthew Brown
Secretary	The Rev. Gillian Hoyer
Rector's Warden	Kathryn Marion
People's Warden	Julie McMillan
Member at Large	Sue Fulcher
Member at Large	The Rev. Christine Muise



Diocesan & Wider Church Leadership Roles – 2026

In addition to those who serve as Members of Synod, clergy and lay leaders from across our Parish of the Valley offer considerable leadership to the life and ministries of our diocesan church. Below is a listing of current diocesan and wider church leadership roles held by members of our parish community. Wherever possible, these roles align with work that our leaders are already engaged in at the parish level, together with their personal gifts and skills.

Rev. Matthew

Regional Dean of the Northwest
Member – Diocesan Council
Member – Cemeteries Sub-Committee
Member – ADO Youth Episcopal Panel
Diocesan Clergy Mentor

Rev. Gillian

Member – Education Committee
Resource Hub Coordinator for the ADO Learning Commons

Rev. Nick

Member – Governing Board of the Canadian Council of Churches
Member – Bishop's Liturgical Advisory Panel
Member – Rural Ministry Resource Hub
Member – Diocesan Refugee Ministry Office Advisory Board
Diocesan Contextual Mission Facilitator

Rev. Christine

Fresh Start Program for Clergy Beginning a New Appointment
Novice – Third Order, Society of St. Francis, Province of Americas

Marie Cheesman

Member – Diocesan Council
Member – Episcopal Election Committee
Member – Property & Finance Committee

Robert Hanson

Member – Investment Sub-Committee
Member – Cemeteries Sub-Committee



Members of Diocesan Synod – 2026

Membership in our Diocesan Synod includes all members of the clergy in appointment, all members of diocesan council, and lay members of diocesan synod elected by parishes in accordance with Bylaw B5.18. Based on our parish’s total population, the Parish of the Valley may elect **4** Lay Members of Diocesan Synod for the year 2026. One elected Lay Member of Diocesan Synod from our parish is required to be a churchwarden (*).

The following individuals have agreed to allow their names to stand for election by their congregational Vestries.

Term lengths for Lay Members of Synod and Alternate Members are established in Bylaw B5.18, paragraph 5.

<u>2026 Synod Nominees</u>	<u>Congregation</u>	<u>Years in Term</u>
Julie McMillan*	Ascension Killaloe / St. John’s Tramore	1 Year
Bernard Raglin*	St. George’s South Alice	2 Years
Bill Schroeder	Epiphany Barry’s Bay	2 Years
 <u>Previously Elected in 2025</u>		
Alexis Anderson	Holy Trinity Pembroke	1 Year
 <u>2026 Alternate Nominees</u>		
Lucy Buttle	St. Stephen’s Micksburg	1 Year
Dave Eagles*	Epiphany Barry’s Bay	1 Year
Marion LeMotte*	All Saints Petawawa	1 Year
Ainsleigh MacInnis	Holy Trinity Pembroke	1 Year

Other members of our Diocesan Synod serving in the Parish of the Valley include:

The Rev. Matthew Brown	Incumbent & Diocesan Council Member
The Rev. Gillian Hoyer	Associate Incumbent
The Rev. Nicholas Forte	Associate Incumbent
The Rev. Christine Muise	Associate Incumbent
 Marie Cheesman	 Diocesan Council Member (Holy Trinity Pembroke)



Parish Central Committee – 2026

Pursuant to Bylaw B5.12, paragraph 2, membership in our Parish Central Committee includes the Incumbent, all Associate Incumbents, the Churchwardens, and all Lay Members of Synod. The Incumbent serves as the chair.

The Committee meets quarterly to advise the Incumbent and Churchwardens in such matters as are of a parochial, deanery or diocesan nature, but not those solely of an individual congregation. In the Parish of the Valley, the Committee shall meet primarily by Zoom, with typically one in-person meeting per year, “Parish Leaders’ Day.”

Although not voting members of our Parish Central Committee, Deputy Churchwardens, Treasurers and Chapel Stewards are all important resource people for the ongoing work of the Parish Central Committee and will regularly be invited to participate in the Committee’s meetings, particularly the annual Parish Leaders’ Day.

Parish of the Valley: Incumbent & Associate Incumbents

The Rev. Matthew Brown (Chair) The Rev. Gillian Hoyer
The Rev. Christine Muise The Rev. Nicholas Forte

Holy Trinity Pembroke

Charles Cheesman
Jim Irvine
Alexis Anderson* (Central Treasurer)
Peter Jacques (DW)

St. John’s Eganville

Linda Schultz
Karen Mann
Joan Boldt (T)
Verner Hass (CS)

All Saints Petawawa

Marion LeMottee
Louise Doran
Yvonne Andrews (T)

Ascension Killaloe/St. John’s Tramore

Kathy Marion
Julie McMillan*
Ted Williamson (T)
Sue Fulcher (DW)

St. George’s South Alice

Bernard Raglin*
Kim Silkie
Kevin Schauer (T)

Epiphany Barry’s Bay

Irene Lapenskie
Dave Eagles
Bill Schroeder*
Pam McCallum (T)
Liz Beasley (DW)

St. Stephen’s Micksburg

Pat Leach
Myles Buttle
Jennie Mick (T)
Wendy Johnson (CS)

St. Thomas Rankin

Sam Sutton
Debbie McGinnis
Bonnie Dumouchel (T)

St. Patrick’s Lower Stafford

Johnny MacLaren
Patty Childerhose
Lucy Buttle (T)

St. Paul’s Cobden

Alice Ferguson
Ben Savage
Les Hill (T)
Jim Munro (DW)

St. Anthony’s Whitney

Merv Dunn
Anita Boldt
Kevin Florent (CS)

*Lay Member of Synod

Blue Italics: Denotes non-voting resource person (DW: Deputy Warden, T: Treasurer, CS: Chapel Steward)

PHOTOS



Killaloe Orchestra



Impact Zambia Group Meeting



Ascension at Easter



St. John's Tramore ready for Cemetery Service



"See, we don't work all of the time!"

The Parish of the Valley Team enjoys fellowshiping together even more than we love working together, which is a lot! It is a joy for us to share in ministry together and with all of you across our beloved Valley.

