

THE VALLEY BULLETIN

Third Sunday of Easter



April 19th, 2026

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.

Certain parts of our Anglican liturgy change with the changing of the liturgical seasons. In the season of Lent, we began our celebrations of the Holy Eucharist with the Penitential Order (BAS pg. 216), so that we might as a community live-into the penitential nature of that season.

In the season of Easter, the season of resurrection and life, we celebrate the hope and new life in baptism that lies before us. Therefore, in this season we begin our worship with a thanksgiving for the water of baptism and for the gift of forgiveness and new life that it offers. This alternative gathering rite for the Book of Alternative Services has been approved for trial use by the Council of General Synod and authorized by our diocesan bishop, in keeping with Anglican liturgical custom. We also omit the communal confession and absolution from our Eucharistic liturgies during the Easter season, recognizing that we have moved from the more penitential overtones of Lent to a celebration of the sure and certain hope of God's forgiveness of sin that is revealed for us in both the cross and empty tomb.

Note that when the sacrament of baptism is celebrated the gathering rite found on BAS pg. 151 takes precedence over the alternative gathering rite, with a prayer of thanksgiving over the water being offered later in the service as part of the baptismal liturgy.

GREETING

All stand. The presider greets the community.

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
Presider May his grace and peace be with you.
People **May he fill our hearts with joy!**

Presider Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are raised to new life in the Spirit.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water is then poured into a baptismal font or bowl.

Presider

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water.
Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.
Through water you led the children of Israel
out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise.
In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John
and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ,
to lead us, through his death and resurrection,
from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.
We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.
In it we are buried with Christ in his death.
By it we share in his resurrection.
Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son,
we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith.
We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism
may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

All

Amen.

*As a reminder of the gift of baptism, the assembly may then be sprinkled with water as the community says or sings
"Glory to God" (BAS p. 186).*

LET'S PRAY

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury. We pray for The Church of the Province of Myanmar. We pray for our companion diocese of Jerusalem.

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for Shane Parker, our Primate. We pray for Anne Germond, our Metropolitan. We pray for Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop.

In our Diocese of Ottawa we pray: We pray for Kathryn, our Bishop-Elect. We pray for The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Sacred Circle Events, and the ministry of reconciliation. We pray for St. Columba, Ottawa. We pray for theological education, students, teachers, & field education supervisors.

In our Deanery of the Northwest, we pray for St. George's, South Alice, 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: Nat & Jennifer and Paityn & Ella Leach, Pat & Lorna Leach, Dawna Leach, Leo & Barb Leduc, Leona Lee.

For those who have died and all members of their family as they grieve:

Bill Collins, Heather Thompson-Lavallee, Ray Snyder, Frank Smith, Richard Smerdon.

For those preparing to be married: Karly Emmerson & Daniel Brisson.

For those preparing for baptism: Hunter & Luella Brisson.

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

Alice & Petawawa: Ann, Doug, Ralph, Bill, Issy, Marion, Lynn, Wanda, Rose, Laurie, Lois, Gloria, Trent, Sammy, Michael.

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

Killaloe/Tramore & Eganville: Gale, Carol, Lynn, Lynda, Ed, Marg, Joan, James, Hilary, Heather, Jan, Harold, Richard, Dorothy, Betty, Ann, Sheila, Andrea, Sharon, Junior, Peter, Pauline, Phyllis, Ethel, Anice, Paula, Rosemary.

Pembroke: Florence, Diane, Jolene, Loreen, Heather, Tristan, Bill, Bob, Jo, Connie, June, Lomie.

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

TODAY'S READINGS

APRIL 19, 2026 - Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 2.14a, 36-41; Psalm 116.1-3, 10-17; 1 Peter 1.17-23; Luke 24.13-35

UPCOMING READINGS

April 26, 2026 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2.42-47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2.19-25; John 10.1-10

May 3, 2026 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 7.55-60; Psalm 31.1-5, 15-16; 1 Peter 2.2-10; John 14.1-14

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*, please visit our website: www.ValleyAnglicans.ca

*This Valley Bulletin is offered to the greater Glory of God
by Kathy Marion.*

SERVICES IN THE PARISH OF THE VALLEY

APRIL 26, 2026

8 & 10am - Holy Trinity Pembroke
9am - St Patrick's Lower Stafford
9am - Ascension Killaloe
9:30am - St George's South Alice
11am - St Paul's Cobden
11am - St John's Eganville
11am - Epiphany Barry's Bay (Barry's Bay)
11:15am - All Saints Petawawa

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Thursday, April 30th at 10am - Country Haven, Beachburg
Tuesday, May 5th at 10am - Heritage Manor, Pembroke
Thursday, May 7th at 10:15am - Valley Manor, Barry's Bay
Wednesday, May 13th at 10:30am - Riverview Heights, Pembroke

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Eganville Congregational Council - Thursday, April 23 at 10am in St. Mark's Hall
Pembroke Congregational Council - Wednesday, April 29 at 7pm on Zoom

NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

The **All Saints Petawawa Ladies Group** will be today, April 19th, following worship. Please join us as we prepare for our spring rummage sale on April 25th.

The next **Soup & Sandwich Lunch** at the Church of the Epiphany, Barry's Bay, will be on Friday, April 24 from 11:30am - 1:30pm. Come and enjoy delicious homemade soup, sandwich, and pie for only \$12! To order take out, please call 613-635-1600.

The **Macaroni & Cheese Cook-Off** is back at St. John's, Eganville! **Saturday, April 25th, doors open at 5:30pm, dinner begins at 6pm.** Seating is limited: tickets are \$15, and can be purchased from Heather Park-Wheeler (613-226-2800). Come and taste test from guest cooks and select who will win the Holy Macaroni Crown! Macaroni & Cheese will be accompanied by salad, rolls, coffee & tea, and dessert. There will be a silent auction during the meal.

Our regular **Wednesday Worship** at 10am continues weekly at Holy Trinity Pembroke. All are welcome to join us in the chancel for this quiet said service of Holy Eucharist.

Parish of the Valley Spring Rummage Sales:

Saturday, April 25th from 9am - 12pm at All Saints Petawawa

Saturday, May 2nd from 8:30-11am at Holy Trinity Pembroke

Come and shop for gently used items from books to clothing, to household items and children's toys, and more!

The first St. Augustine's Chapel, Beachburg service of 2026 will be held on **May 3rd at 7pm.** All are warmly welcomed to come and join in worship together.

Our next **Messy Church will be Friday, June 5th at St. Stephen's Micksburg.** Come anytime after 4pm for a 4:30pm start. We will have music activities, crafts, and end with a delicious meal. Bring your curiosity and wiggles and join in the fun as we gather together as families of all shapes, sizes, and ages from across the parish!

Epiphany Fashions at Church of the Epiphany, Barry's Bay is open Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10am - 2pm. Come and browse our wonderful selection of gently used clothing.

CLERGY TEAM

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