



Parish Profile



"to be God's people...demonstrating God's love."

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Parish Vision

Our vision is that Holy Nativity parish remains a vibrant, growing congregation, with a diverse intergenerational makeup. The congregation has an active parish life, including strong participation in various groups for both spiritual growth and caring relationships. Parishioners are respectful of the variety of viewpoints and worship styles that are encompassed in the parish. Services are marked by engagement in meaningful worship of God, joyful high-quality music with active congregational participation, and solid, stimulating Scriptural teaching. The parish becomes well known and highly visible in the immediate community and surrounding Southwest and Southeast communities, and its parishioners continue to be engaged in outreach activities in the city and around the world. The church building continues to be user-friendly, functional, and fully utilized by both parish and community

Parish Membership

The Parish of Holy Nativity was established in 1961 in a nearby neighborhood. Ten years later the space was too small for the congregation, and a lot was purchased in the rapidly developing community of Lake Bonavista. The current building was completed and occupied in December 1975.

Holy Nativity Anglican Church is in the community of Lake Bonavista in S.E. Calgary. This community was the first in Calgary to have a man-made lake. Residents have been and remain predominantly upper middle-class Caucasians with a few visible minorities. Current parishioners primarily reside south of Southland Drive, north of Fish Creek, east of Stoney Trail and west of Deerfoot Trail. Holy Nativity is the only Anglican church serving this part of the city. Some of these southeast areas are home to young families with children, but the current demographic of Holy Nativity is mostly middle-aged or seniors. As the property values in Lake Bonavista have increased significantly and families in the area have aged, so has our congregation, and only one or two families regularly bring small children to church. This is a fact we have tried to change, but we need help and leadership in this area.

Holy Nativity is a very welcoming congregation and there have been quite a few new people attending our services in the last year or two. They are rapidly incorporated into parish life. The congregation is also extremely generous when calls go out for things like our annual food drive, gift cards for refugee families, and so on.

Worship Services at Holy Nativity

Holy Nativity holds two Eucharistic services on Sundays at 8:00am. and 10:00am - The 8am service is a said service using the page 230 service from the Book of Alternative Services (the traditional BCP service) and has an average attendance of 25. The 10am is a sung service following the page 185 service in the Book of Alternative Services and has an average attendance of 85. Time after both services is set aside for fellowship with coffee and treats. These times of fellowship are very well attended.



On Thursday mornings an informal Bible study meets to explore and reflect on the readings for the upcoming Sunday, with an informal Eucharist, and an average attendance of about 8 people.

Special Services

In addition to the weekly worship services that are held at Holy Nativity, there are several special services that are held on an annual basis. These are listed below:

- Stampede Service with accompanying stampede BBQ lunch
- Remembrance Day Service with accompanying bugler
- Shrove Tuesday with accompanying pancake supper
- Ash Wednesday Service
- Maundy Thursday Service
- Good Friday Passion Service
- 3 Christmas Services
 - 4:00 P.M. Christmas Eve Family Service
 - 8:00 P.M. Christmas Eve Service
 - 10:00 A.M. Christmas Day
- An Epiphany Service of Lessons and Carols



The following table shows the total number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals that have occurred within Holy Nativity between 2019 and 2025,

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Baptisms	3	1	1	3	4	4	2
Marriages	0	0	1	2	2	0	1
Funerals/ Memorial Services	2	4	3	4	10	7	4

Finally, the Incumbent conducts monthly communion services at Lake Bonavista Village and at Venvi Evergreen, two local retirement communities.

Finances

Please refer to the 2025 annual report that was provided to the February 2026 Annual Parishioners' Meeting (Appendix 1) for details on current parish finances.



Our Place of Worship

The Parish has 1 part-time administrative assistant, 1 organist/musical director, 1 ordained Deacon, and 3 Liturgical Assistants.

The Parish has a main worship area with a friendship area for post service fellowship at the rear following the 8 am services. There is a small chapel that is accessed from the rear of the main worship area. The worship space houses a virtually new organ as well as a grand piano

donated within the last 8 or 10 years,

The church building also includes 2 offices for the incumbent and administrative assistant, an additional office space used by the Deacon, for weekly secure counting of collections, and for the large copy machine.

There is also one board room, one full kitchen, one partial kitchen for hospitality preparation, a nursery, and a large multi-purpose parish hall with a 180-person capacity. The hall is used weekly for the fellowship time after the 10 am service, for large parish events, and is rented regularly to outside groups such as a local community choir, Alcoholics Anonymous, two scrap booking clubs, etc. The washrooms include a men's washroom, a women's washroom and one handicapped-accessible washroom.

The building site includes a parking lot of 36 parking stalls with 4 designated for handicapped parking. There is also ample on-street parking in front and beside the church. Being on one level, the entire facility is 100 percent accessible.

In addition to routine maintenance, within the last 5 years, the following building infrastructure upgrades were accomplished:

- June 2020 Building exterior repainted
- October 2020 Completed building envelope engineering review
- April 2021 Completed cladding of all window frames
- October 2023 Replaced three furnaces and four ventilation fans
- March 2024 Repaid Diocesan loan of \$20,000 for these HVAC upgrades
- June 2026 Replaced four auxiliary exit/fire doors

The current building is 50 years old and will require on-going care and upgrades to meet parish needs and building maintenance requirements. This has typically been carried out by a combination of contracted services and parishioners and managed by members of the Parish Council and Parish Corporation with the residing Parish incumbent.

In addition to caring for the physical structure of Holy Nativity, there have been some significant milestones in our parish life as follows:

- June 2020 First livestream service using an iPhone in response to COVID lockdown
- June 2020 Purchased and installed MEVO livestream camera
- October 2023 Hired new Music Director
- April 2024 Replaced failing organ with a new instrument
- September 2024 Purchased reconditioned piano for church hall



- December 2025 Celebration of the 50th anniversary of the church
- April 2026 Significant upgrades to livestream operation, including 3 new cameras
- July 2026 Four auxiliary fire exit doors replaced to meet building code requirements

Parish Ministries and Fellowship Groups

This section outlines the various parish ministries that Holy Nativity currently offers. Further description of each of these ministries can be viewed in the 2026 Annual Meeting of Parishioners Report (See Appendix 1)

Administration and Finance: At Holy Nativity administration and finance are managed by the Parish Corporation, which consists of the Incumbent, Incumbent's Warden and Assistant Incumbent's Warden, People's Warden and Assistant People's Warden. Meetings of the corporation are also attended by the parish Treasurer and Administrator.

Parish Council: parish governance is provided through the council, which consists of ten members plus the incumbent. The Council includes the members of the Corporation mentioned above. Four members of the Council are appointed by the incumbent (Incumbent's Warden and Assistant Incumbent's Warden, Treasurer, and Auditor). The other members are elected at the Annual Parishioners' Meeting. The Council elects the Diocesan Synod representatives; there are currently three, since average attendance at Sunday services is now over 100 people.

Altar Guild: A group of parishioners responsible for the care of the altar, vestments, vessels, altar linens and flowers during services. They are also responsible for some of the Eucharistic preparation that is used during Sunday services.

Book Club: The Page Turners club meets monthly from September through June to discuss a book its members have read, either fiction or non-fiction. There are lively discussions and treats but the group is also about fellowship among about sixteen parish members.

Crafts and Chats Group: A group of parishioners that meet weekly to create handmade quilts, knitted and crocheted items and other small items, for themselves or for sale and raffle at the annual Fall Fair in early November. Some members also create prayer shawls and blankets that have been donated to a local hospital. This is primarily a time of fellowship for about 20 women each week.



Choir: A group of parishioners, averaging 8 to 10 members, who lead the sung aspects of the 10:00am Sunday services, as well as other special services on Good Friday, Easter and Christmas Eve. In late 2023, Holy Nativity hired a new organist/musical director who has a specific background in vocal performance. She has greatly improved the skill level of the choir and has



broadened the scope of our liturgical music, as well as leading the search for and purchase of a new organ.

Counters: A group of parishioners responsible for the counting of Sunday offerings and associated bank deposits.

Men's Group: A group of male parishioners responsible for various services of church activities such as, the Shrove Tuesday supper, the Stampede BBQ, the Fall Fair silent auction and table/chair setup for Parish Hall events.



Prayer Chain: A group of parishioners who attend to the various prayer requests that are circulated through Holy Nativity.

Thursday Morning Bible Fellowship: A group of parishioners, averaging 8 members, who attend a weekly bible study followed by an informal Eucharist.

Scripture Readers: A group of people who have signed up to read the Old and New Testament readings each week and are scheduled by a volunteer coordinator.

Prayers of the People: A group of individuals who create and lead the Prayers of the People at each service and are scheduled by a volunteer coordinator.

Hospitality (Coffee Hours): A volunteer coordinates each of the two coffee hours after the service and ensures that people have signed up to take responsibility for this each week. Another volunteer ensures that both kitchens are well stocked with the necessary supplies.

Sides Persons: A group of parishioners responsible for general logistics during Sunday services such as attendance counting, offerings collection and bulletin distribution.



Yard Sale and Fall Fair: Holy Nativity participates in the annual Lake Bonavista Community Yard Sale in late June. In 2026 about 500 people visited our building and we raised about \$3,500. The Fall Fair in November is somewhat more upscale and includes a large craft table and many baked goods. A large portion of the proceeds of the Fall Fair (usually about \$8,000) is used to supplement the budget for Outreach.

Gardeners: The gardens at Holy Nativity are recognized as a beauty spot in Lake Bonavista. A dedicated group of 4 or 5 parishioners tends to the gardens, waters, and cuts the grass regularly. Once a year we have a parish cleanup day.



Outreach

Over the last 5 years, Holy Nativity has been actively increasing our outreach ministries and our involvement with the surrounding community. These include involvement with the following:



- A food drive for the Calgary Food Bank in the Fall
- Supporting refugee families in Calgary with gift cards for groceries at Christmas time
- Winter Clothing Drive for the Mustard Seed, a large homeless shelter and support organization for the unhoused in Calgary.
- Gift donations to Operation Christmas Child by Samaritan's Purse
- Collection of diapers, baby formula, and other baby and infant items for the Women in Need Society during the period leading up to Mother's Day.

There has also been a significant increase in the funds committed for charitable donations as part of the annual budget. For example, substantial year-end monetary support were sent to the following programs in 2025:

- Calgary Food Bank
- CAWST
- Alongside Hope (PWRDF)
- Brown Bagging for Calgary Kids
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Calgary

With the presence of an ordained deacon in our parish, Holy Nativity was able to add the following outreach ministries:

- Monthly preaching at Holy Nativity Anglican Church
- Conduct reserved Sacrament Services on Sundays at Holy Nativity when Incumbent is away
- Monthly prayer & praise service at the McKenzie Town Extended Care Facility
- Occasional services to other retirement facilities
- Religious Community Visitor (RCV) for Alberta health Services (AHS)
- On-call Chaplain for Anglican spiritual needs for Calgary region hospitals
- Anglican representative on the Spiritual Care Advisory Committee for Calgary region hospitals
- Monthly Musical entertainment for L'Arche Coffee House
- Coordinator for Deacons in the Diocese of Calgary
- Participant in the South Fish Creek Interfaith Initiatives and Service Projects

Holy Nativity and our Vision for the Future

The Parish Corporation sought input from our congregation by asking the following three questions in relation to the Diocese's "Five Marks of Healthy Churches" (Anglican Diocese of Calgary Clergy and Warden's Handbook, pages 84-85):

- What do you love most about Holy Nativity Anglican Church?
- What would you like to see grow or change at Holy Nativity?
- What gifts can you offer to help Holy Nativity with growth or change?

Members of the parish are very positive about our liturgy and appreciate both the traditional said service at 8am and the BAS service at 10am. Many responses mentioned the very strong sense of community and fellowship that we experience at Holy Nativity. New members are welcomed and quickly incorporated into our parish life. This must continue.

As to growth and change, some parishioners would like to see more adult formation classes to supplement our annual Lenten study.



The most common hope for growth expressed in the responses to our questions was to try to get younger families with children back to Holy Nativity. In the early 2000's there was a huge Sunday School and a very active Youth Group, but both have since disappeared. This seems to be the biggest concern as our congregation ages. We know that there are many young families in Lake Bonavista and the surrounding neighborhoods, but we are failing to reach them.

Finally, we hope to see more outreach to other faith communities; this might be achieved by building a stronger partnership with the local Interfaith Council.

We know that many members of Holy Nativity have gifts to offer; exploring this further will require more effort and personal conversations.

Who Are We Seeking?

Holy Nativity is seeking an incumbent for our parish who will offer strong spiritual leadership. He or she must have an outgoing personality as this is a very sociable parish community.

Of course, the most important characteristics of an incumbent are the pastoral aspects; the ability to guide our congregation in the deepening of our relationship with God through Jesus Christ, to be a sympathetic counsellor to people in times of distress, and to welcome people of all backgrounds and races through our doors.

The primary age demographic of Holy Nativity is well over 60 years of age. Ideally, we would like to grow the size of our congregation by engaging younger generations. Our hope is that the future incumbent will help us understand how to convey our Christian faith, in a way that is relevant to our current primary age demographic, as well as youth, young adults and young families.

The Parish Council and Parish Corporation currently play a large role in the strategic direction of Holy Nativity. Our hope is that the future incumbent will lead and collaborate with our existing Parish Council and Parish Corporation to enact our Parish Vision.

Holy Nativity is home to a congregation with a strong sense of community and a readiness to lead and undertake activities that make Holy Nativity a welcoming place to worship. Our hope is that our future incumbent will continue to foster these aspects through developing and working with congregational teams that will work together to fulfil parish responsibilities and outreach missions.

Compensation will be in accordance with Diocesan guidelines.

Appendices:

1. 2025 Annual Report at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners, February 2026
2. Parish History





ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

12707 Bonaventure Drive S.E.
Calgary, Alberta T2J 4P4

Sunday, February 22, 2026

10:30 am



INCUMBENT'S REPORT

I submit this annual report in thanksgiving for all God's blessings this past year and looking ahead to how God will lead us in this new year.

One of the highlights for me this past year was our celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the dedication of our church building. It was a wonderful day as we welcomed our Archbishop, Greg, as well as former parishioners and friends. We had a celebratory service with music that gave praise and honour to God. The service was followed by a lovely catered luncheon in the church hall. Many thanks to the Anniversary Committee that planned everything: Linda Schwab, Noreen Dyck, Jan Mummery, and Liz Gross. Thanks also to our MC in the church hall, Kathy Dodds, and to our music director, choir and soloists for the beautiful offering of music.

We have much to be thankful for as a parish. I am grateful to all of you for your faithful support of the ministry of Holy Nativity. As a result, you will see from the financial statements, we are in a very good financial position. We have also been blessed with new people joining us this past year.

We are so blessed to have many people here at Holy Nativity who give of their time, talent and treasure to build up this church community. I want to thank many of you for your faithful service to Christ and his Church this past year. Many thanks to: our Deacon, Bob Mummery, for preaching regularly and for taking services and providing pastoral care when I am away, to Erin, our office administrator, for all her help and support to me, to our church wardens, Linda, George, Gavin and Al, for their counsel and leadership, to Marie Taylor, our Music Director and the members of the choir, for leading us in worship and song every Sunday, to David Steell and Erin, who oversee the church's finances, to the members of Parish Council, for their counsel and wisdom; to Rob Malcolm, Warren Mitcheltree, Gavin Bilton, George Humphrys, Chris Hamill, for the many and various maintenance jobs they do around the church building, to Steve Burnie, Al Weiss, Gavin Bilton, Marylyn Bradshaw, Jan Mummery, Liz Gross, Barb Scott, and all those who care for the church gardens and grounds, to Linda Schwab, who oversees our hospitality activities and helps to organize parish events, to Liz Gross, Kathleen Patterson and Linda Schwab, for organizing the Garage Sale in June, to Linda Schwab, Liz Gross, and Dode Stiles, for organizing the Fall Fair, to Liz Gross and the members of the Outreach Committee for stewarding our ministry outside our church, to Jamie Dodds, George Humphrys, Chris Hamill, and Kingsley David, who enable the live stream of our worship to Facebook each week, to Jamie Dodds for convening and leading the "Pints with Jamie" gatherings, to Nora Bray, and all the members of the Altar Guld, for their faithful care of preparing the sanctuary for worship each week; to the lay assistants, communion ministers and our servers, for our sides-persons, Scripture readers, intercessors, for all their support of weekly worship, to the members of the Prayer Chain, for upholding in prayer those in need, for those who count the weekly offerings, to Kathleen Patterson and all who organize our coffee and fellowship after worship every Sunday, to Nigel Long who maintains the church sign

throughout the year and coordinates those who lead the prayers on Sundays, to Heather Roberts, who delivers collected items to the Food Bank, periodically, throughout the year, to Alan Scott and those men of the parish who oversee the Men's Fellowship gatherings, to Jamie Dodds and the men of the parish who help put on the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and the BBQ following the annual outdoor Stampede service, to Chris Hamill, who organized our Spring Clean-up and for all those who came out to rake and sweep, to Pat Hopkinson, who coordinates our weekly readers of Scripture, to Noreen Dyck, Jan Mummery, and all those who put on receptions after funerals, to Jan and Bob Mummery, for organizing Christmas tins of goodies as an outreach to those who are shut-in, and all those who donated baking, to Tammy Hopkinson who oversees our Card Ministry, to Linda Schwab, who maintains the decorative wreaths that adorn our front and back entrances – many thanks for *all* who offer their gifts to the ongoing ministry of our church. If I have forgotten anyone, my sincere apologies. We are truly blessed to have so many people who serve the parish.

As we embark on a new year, let us take to heart the words of Paul in his first letter to the Church in Thessalonica,

***Therefore encourage one another and build up each other,
as indeed you are doing. (1 Thessalonians 5.11)***

Let us be a community of faith where there are always kind words, supportive, encouraging words offered to each other. Let no gossip or unkind words be shared amongst us. Let us always be on our guard to be a place where everyone is encouraged in their faith and ministry.

To God be all the glory and praise.

With you on the journey,

The Ven. Brian Vickers, Incumbent

DEACON'S REPORT

This is my twelfth report as an ordained Deacon licensed to function at Holy Nativity and within the Diocese of Calgary. First, I would like to thank parishioners and Rev Brian for their support and encouragement during the past year. Your thoughts and prayers are much appreciated.

At Holy Nativity, I schedule and take my turn as a Liturgical Assistant (LAs) along with Helen, David and Sim. Wayne was part of the roster in 2025 and we are sad that he has retired. I would like to acknowledge their assistance at Sunday services. I would like to thank the Rev. Brian for allowing me the opportunity to preach monthly. I thank Parish Council and the Wardens for their financial support for the annual Diocesan clergy conference and retreat.

The Prayer & Praise services for patients at the McKenzie Town extended care complex continued on a regular monthly schedule as did my music entertainment for the L'Arche Coffee House.

I continue being an on-call chaplain for AHS in the Calgary region and visit whenever a patient and/or their family requested an Anglican presence. I remain a member (representing the Anglican Church) of the Spiritual Care Advisory Committee (SCAC) for the Calgary Region of AHS. We meet quarterly by ZOOM.

In the Diocese, as Warden of Deacons, I co-ordinate regular ZOOM meetings between Archbishop Greg and the 19 Vocational deacons in our Diocese. These have been times for Deacons in our Diocese to share stories related to their diaconal ministries and to share prayer requests.

In summary my ministry includes liturgical, administrative and limited pastoral components both inside & outside the parish and within the Diocese. I hope to continue to serve at Holy Nativity and the Diocese as requested.

Blessings to you all

Deacon Bob+

The Rev. Dr. R.C. Mummery

WARDENS REPORT

We give thanks to God for all the blessings bestowed on Holy Nativity in 2025.

Worship services are well attended and have experienced modest growth. We continue to be blessed and thankful for the messages, so badly needed in these turbulent times, of God's love and Christ's example for living brought to us by Reverend Brian and Deacon Bob. Music continues to be an important and inspiring element of our worship. We are blessed with the talents of Marie Taylor, our music director and organist, as well as the choir, guest musicians and soloists. We continue to stream the 10:00 am Sunday service to Facebook. We are in the process of upgrading our video streaming equipment and hope to have it up and running during February, pending delivery of a few remaining components. We have a dedicated group of liturgical assistants whose work enhances our services. Finally, we extend a huge thanks to Wayne Power who has retired from his liturgical assistant role after many years.

The work of the Parish extends beyond weekly worship, and we give thanks for Brian and Bob's often unseen pastoral care brought to members of our parish in times of spiritual need. We are also thankful for their administrative work, both at Holy Nativity and within the Diocese.

We celebrated the 50th anniversary of worship at 12707 Bonaventure Drive SE on December 5th with a wonderful "Thanksgiving on the Anniversary of a Parish" liturgy led by Archbishop Greg and Brian, followed by a time of fellowship in the church hall. Many thanks are due to the work of the hospitality committee for organizing this occasion and for the work put into displays of photographs and memories.

A fifty-year-old facility needs constant attention to provide a safe, comfortable and pleasing place to work and worship. We are thankful for the work of the small ad hoc property committee that works to maintain and repair our building. This year, we need to replace four auxiliary doors and jambs as they are no longer weathertight. We have received an initial quote of approximately \$28,000 and are working on obtaining other quotes.

We are in need of a volunteer to lead a more structured property committee. Please contact one of the wardens if you would like to take on this role.

Holy Nativity Anglican Church is a blessing to the neighbourhood, and we thank all who have given generously of their time and talents to help with spring cleanup and tend the lawns and gardens during the summer. We need some additional volunteers, however, to assist with weeding and watering. If you have an itchy green thumb, please contact Steve Burnie.

We thank all of you for your continued support, dedication and energy in support of the activities of Holy Nativity. The Parish is in a good place financially. We increased our outreach efforts in terms of funds donated and ended the year with a budget surplus of \$46,591. We look forward to the coming year with our spring garage sale, Stampede service and BBQ, and the highly successful Fall Fair.

Yours in service,

Linda Schwab
Incumbent's Warden

George Humphrys
People's Warden

Gavin Bilton
Assistant Incumbent's Warden

Al Weiss
Assistant People's Warden

HOLY NATIVITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

2025 Review

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2026 Budget Overview

2025 OPERATING EXCESS

Our operations for the year ending December 31, 2025 resulted in an operating **excess of Revenue/Expense** of \$46,591 compared to a budgeted deficit of \$8,719 and previous year surplus of \$25,579. The surplus for the current year reflects increases in Revenues over budget principally from envelope contributions \$36,417 and open offerings \$8,119.

Holy Nativity Anglican Church								
Income and Expense Statement								
2025 and 2024 Actual and 2025 and 2026 Budget								
					2025	2025 Budget	2024	2026 Budget
					\$	\$	\$	
REVENUE								
Envelope contributions					296,152	259,700	276,506	269,700
Temporarily Restricted					5,530	2,500	28,168	5,000
Permanently Restricted - CAWST					440	-	438	-
Open offerings and memorial					11,119	3,000	4,416	4,500
Rental Income					18,223	14,000	15,350	17,500
Spring and Fall Fair					13,158	11,000	10,791	11,000
Interest income					7,461	2,500	5,277	4,000
Total Income					352,082	292,700	340,946	311,700
EXPENSES								
Payroll and Apportionment								
Diocesan Apportionment					34,018	34,018	30,421	39,202
Rector					115,715	112,679	110,708	118,200
Office Administrator					28,560	28,532	27,996	30,000
Guest Musicians					1,850	3,000	1,950	3,000
Employer contributions & benefits					15,854	16,200	16,423	16,900
					195,997	194,429	187,498	207,302
Administrative					12,301	16,740	11,326	15,670
Insurance					10,883	11,000	10,528	12,250
Utilities					15,167	18,000	16,191	19,000
Grounds maintenance					4,545	5,000	4,967	6,500
Building Maintenance					18,387	15,950	14,337	19,050
					61,283	66,690	57,348	72,470
Music					18,323	19,250	22,731	19,250
Outreach Donations					12,400	7,500	10,292	7,500
50th Anniversary					4,610	-	-	-

Ministry including Parish events			7,958	9,300	9,001	9,550
Other expenses - Clergy conference			1,125	4,250	2,017	4,250
			44,416	40,300	44,041	40,550
Total Expense			301,696	301,419	288,887	320,322
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenses			50,386	(8,719)	52,059	(8,622)
Less Restricted			(3,795)	-	(26,480)	-
Operating Excess of Reenue over Expenses			46,591	(8,719)	25,579	(8,622)

RESTRICTED REVENUES

These funds are not available for day-to-day operations. The changes in the cumulative balance of all restricted funds during the 12 months ended December 31, 2025 is as follows:

Restricted Funds		Piano Fund	Capital Fund	Total
Balance beginning of year		2,720	41,220	43,940
New contributions		4,270	-	4,270
Reductions		(914)	(4,550)	(5,464)
Balance end of year		6,076	36,670	42,746

The funds used and contributed in 2025 are as follows:

Piano Fund: new contributions and expense.

Capital Fund: Purchase of new cameras for the Sanctuary

FINANCIAL POSITION

As we enter the year 2026, our investment account plus cash on hand stands at **\$270,034**. Of this amount, \$42,746 is restricted leaving a balance of unrestricted funds available for operations in the amount of \$227,288.

Funds Available		
Cash in Bank		\$ 129,388
Investments		140,646
Total		270,034
Less restricted		
Capital projects		(36,670)
Piano Fund		(6,076)
Restricted Total		(42,746)
Net Operating Cash		\$ 227,288

Surplus and Deficits History

Our Surplus and Deficit history over the past 16 years is outlined in the following table.

Year	Surplus	Deficit
2010	12,312	
2011	31,713	
2012	17,029	
2013	11,516	
2014		(32,694)
2015		(27,370)
2016		(8,410)
2017		(6,136)
2018	26,322	
2019	17,321	
2020		(19,586)
2021	4,088	
2022	27,928	
2023	17,400	
2024	25,579	
2025	46,591	
Total	237,799	(94,196)

2026 BUDGET

The 2026 Budget shows a deficit of Revenue/Expenses in the amount of \$8,719 based on revenues of \$311,700 and expenses of \$320,322.

REVENUE BUDGET

Our 2026 Budget Revenue is based on the assumption of lower envelope contributions, open offerings and interest income. As in prior years there is always uncertainty as to whether the 2025 contributions will continue at the same level in 2026.

EXPENSE BUDGET

The major expense items include the following expense categories:

DIOSCESAN APPORTIONMENT **\$34,018**

This budget item is calculated by the Diocese based on previous years revenues and is increased from the previous year reflecting higher contributions in 2024 and 2023.

PASTORAL STAFF, SUPPORT STAFF & MUSIC	\$179,661
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This year's budgeted payroll reflects inflationary increases on all salaries and benefits. Our Priest presides at the Sunday morning services but is also always available to minister to the sick, whether physical or stress related, comforts the dying and the bereaved, counsels and performs baptisms, marriages and funerals and provides pastoral care for any parishioner who seeks help.

Our Altar Guild, Choir, Servers, Lay Readers, Counters and Sides Persons are major contributors to our services in all cases on a volunteer basis.

ADMINISTRATIVE	\$15,670
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Recurring expenses in this category include office supplies, photo copying, printing, internet and telephone expense.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE AND INSURANCE	\$49,950
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Recurring expenses in this category include utilities and regular maintenance of the building and the grounds, including snow removal, and insurance (The building was appraised in early 2025 and the value advised to the Diocese which administers the insurance coverage).

CAPITAL EXPENSE AND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

Currently there are a number of capital projects under review to be funded through the Capital Projects Fund.

Respectfully submitted,
David Steelf - Treasurer

HOLY NATIVITY
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT DECEMBER 31 ,2025

ASSETS

BANK ACCOUNTS

CHECKING ACCOUNTS

Chequing - TD	\$ 57,224.37
Savings -TD	72,164.01
Subtotal Bank Accounts	129,388.38

INVESTMENTS

GIC March 14, 2026 3.35%	29,122.85
GIC August 31, 2026 3.10%	43,645.06
GIC October 19 2025 2.25%	11,289.21
GIC Apr. 8, 2026 1.8%	26,588.38
GIC Dec 6, 2026 2.85%	30,000.00
Subtotal Investments	140,645.50

FIXED ASSETS

BUILDINGS

2015 Building Improvement	41,627.23
2023 Furnace Replacement	99,678.94
Office Furniture & Equip	53,224.52
Church Furniture & Equip	34,137.44
Organ	19,862.06
Piano	8,835.50
Paino - Church Hall	6,964.87
Subtotal Fixed Assets	264,330.56

OTHER ASSETS

GST Receivable	1,478.21
Interest Receivable	2,313.95
Subtotal Other Assets	3,792.16

TOTAL ASSETS	\$538,156.60
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ALTAR GUILD ANNUAL REPORT

The mandate of the Altar Guild is to serve God in His House by preparing the Sanctuary for worship, maintaining and caring for the sacred vessels and Altar linens. We prepare for every Eucharist, Morning Prayer, Wedding, Baptism, Funeral and Confirmation service. We also decorate the Church for Advent, Christmas, Palm Sunday, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Remembrance Day etc.

The Altar Guild currently has 17 active members, working in groups of three or four. The group on duty for the week comes in Friday mornings to make preparations for the Sunday services, and does the clean up on Sunday after the services. The duties also include picking up the flowers from our florist, taking home linens used in the service for washing and ironing and returning them, and changing the frontal and hangings to the appropriate liturgical color, among other duties.

In addition, we meet approximately five times per year to discuss Altar Guild business and preparations for the upcoming liturgical season. At these meetings we also conduct a work bee to clean the silver and brass used in the Sanctuary.

The last few years we have obtained our palm crosses for Palm Sunday from African Palms. These come pre-made by villagers in the Masasi area of Tanzania and is part of the Masasi Rural Integrated Development Program. The cost is approximately the same as ordering palms to make ourselves, and we are glad to help out this micro industry.

The decorations (swags & wreathes) that we sourced last year for the Church for Thanksgiving and Christmas are in excellent shape and were enjoyed again this year.

The Altar Guild looks after the supply of candles and lamp oil, wafers, palms, linens, and decorations used during the various festivals. We are very happy with our supplier of wafers from a monastery in Calgary, and the wafers can be picked up, saving shipping charges.

Since Easter of 2023 we have been ordering our flowers from the Safeway at Southcentre. There is a flower chart placed in the narthex to sign up for one or more particular Sundays to cover the cost of the flowers (\$65). It has been the tradition in Holy Nativity to allow the donor to receive one of the flower bouquets after the Sunday (or Christmas) services. The second bouquet is reserved for a sick or shut in member of the church, or for a parishioner who has a special celebration. We consult Brian in regards to who should receive the second bouquet. We ask members to return the flower pots, and the boxes to the Church to be returned to Safeway for reuse.

We are always recruiting and would welcome our parish ladies to talk to Nora Bray if interested in joining this important ministry.

Thank you to all our former and present Altar Guild ladies. Your dedication and fellowship is much appreciated.

Yours in Christ,

Nora Bray

Altar Guild President

BIBLE STUDY REPORT

Our Thursday morning bible study group meets most Thursdays from 10:30-11:30 led by The Venerable Brian Vickers. Each week is a stand-alone session meaning you do not have to attend every week. We take turns reading (you can opt out if you wish) the readings for the upcoming Sunday then we discuss each reading and talk about them. Sometimes our discussions are short and easy while other times we spend more time discussing and trying to understand them. Occasionally we end up leaving them to contemplate on our own simply because they are too complex to have a discussion about. Occasionally Brian has other commitments on Thursday but we still meet. If we have questions, we make a note of them and email Brian. He is always happy to help us however he can.

We currently have 10 members who meet regularly when they are available. All are welcome to join us as you are able.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Hopkinson

CARD MINISTRY

The card ministry is set up to send cards to members of our congregation who are having health problems, surgery, just need a cheering word or are celebrating a special occasion.

With over 25 years of making handmade cards, all of the cards I send out are personally handcrafted by me.

If you know of someone who could benefit from a card on behalf of the Holy Nativity Church family, let Brian or Erin know in the office during office hours and they will forward the necessary information to me.

Cards sent in 2025:

Thinking of You	3
Sympathy	3
Get Well	1
Christmas	6

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Hopkinson

COMMUNION MINISTERS REPORT

We are truly blessed to have an open, welcome and supportive worship community at Holy Nativity.

It has been an honour and pleasure to serve the parish as your Communion Ministers this past year.

Thank you to our Communion Ministers who have faithfully offered the chalice each Sunday this year.

Al Deslauriers	Dave Lovatt	Eileen Campbell
Helen Hall	Jamie Dodds	Kathy Dodds
Kingsley David	Marjorie Yarish	Mike Campbell

Two changes in membership to note this year – Marjorie Yarish retired from the ministry in June, and Al Deslauriers retired in December.

Thank you to all those who continue to indicate their preference at the altar rail – it's extremely helpful to the Chalice Bearers who will acknowledge your choice and administer the common cup appropriately.

We are a small group of dedicated faithful and are always ready to accept new members.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Dodds

COUNTERS REPORT

Each Sunday we have two counters on duty. After the 10 am service, they sort and record all the offerings for both services and then deposit the money in the bank. We have a roster of about 8 people who rotate every week.

Thank you to Heather Roberts who has taken over the scheduling for this group. If you are interested in becoming a counter, please speak to Heather or Erin in the office.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Lackie

CRAFTS & CHATS REPORT

Our craft and chat group meets most Tuesdays from 9:30 - 11:30am except during Holy week and the occasional special holiday based on the church calendar. Most bring a project to work on (knitting, crocheting or some other project of their choice). Some like to come for the fellowship and prefer not to work on a project.

Whether you stay for coffee, tea, or just a visit to say hello is up to you. All are welcome to join us on Tuesdays including those not part of our congregation.

As part of our annual ministries for the church, the crafts and chats group coordinates the craft table at our annual Fall Fair. We raffled a hand quilted quilt at our 2025 Fall Fair and the money raised went to the Veteran's Food Bank.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Hopkinson

ENVELOPE SECRETARY REPORT

In 2025 we had 152 identifiable givers, with 25 contributors using the Diocesan pre-authorized donation program. We also have 5 families who choose to give through the Canada Helps organization, which allows donations via credit card and PayPal (there is a link on our website). In 2020, we added the option to give by email money transfer, which many people have continued using instead of envelopes. Because of this, we were able to reduce the number of envelopes ordered for 2025. If you primarily give by e-transfer and will no longer need your envelopes, please let the office know.

All remaining 2025 tax Receipts have been mailed out. Please review your statement and notify the office of any errors or omissions. Thank you for your continued support!

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Lackie

EVENTS REPORT

Yard Sale

The wind and rain added an extra bit of excitement to the Yard Sale this year. Liz Gross and Kathleen Patterson would like to thank everyone who generously donated their time, energy and items. A special thanks to the brave souls who battled the weather to set up and sell the hot dogs, chips & drinks. The Yard Sale raised \$3,304.00.

Fall Fair

Once again, the commitment of time and talent by the Parish created an enjoyable and welcoming Fall Fair. As a result, \$ 8,563.00 was raised. The Tea Room team contributed \$1,822.00 to the total. Parish Council voted to give half of the Fall Fair proceeds to outreach donations. A huge thank you everyone who provided their much-appreciated support from Dode Stiles, Liz Gross and Linda Schwab.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Schwab

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP REPORT

Holy Nativity Men's Fellowship seeks to promote fellowship among the men of the parish through informal breakfast gatherings and assisting with Parish projects. We held five meetings in 2025, including a presentation by Graeme Scott on Artificial Intelligence in January, a discussion with Bob Mummery on ACORN spirituality in February, a presentation by Mike Robertson in April regarding a motorcycle trip that he and Marianne took in Africa, a video and group discussion in September and a presentation in November by Paul Varro on beekeeping. The January and September breakfasts were open to all in the Parish. We also helped with the Stampede Breakfast in July and Fall Fair in October. The Saturday breakfasts are light fare, as we do not do cooking in the kitchen, and any excess funds from the \$5 fee left after costs reimbursement are donated periodically to charitable causes.

The meetings have been coordinated by a planning group which consists of our Priest Brian Vickers, our Deacon Bob Mummery, Al Weiss, David Steell, Chris Hamill, Dave Lovatt and Alan Scott. Albert Deslauriers stepped down from the planning group after many years of service and Dave Lovatt kindly stepped in to fill the vacancy. Suggestions for future breakfast topics or speakers can be made to any planning group member and are always welcome. We also appreciate the assistance of Erin Lackie who receives the registrations that help us match the food purchase to the attendance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alan Scott

MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"How beautiful the march of days, as seasons come and go..."

Each year, as church musicians, we strive to do our part to lead this body of believers into a deeper relationship with our loving God. We aim to glorify God, and edify- or lift up- our congregants. We are blessed to be able to do this using our fine instruments, our small but dedicated choir, and wonderful guest musicians- especially for the primary feasts of the church.

So, in addition to using our resources to magnify the significance of Thanksgiving Sunday, the Advent/Christmas and Holy Week/Easter seasons, we worked very hard to choose music, rehearse and present lovely music to celebrate the parish's 50th Anniversary celebration on December 7th. We were able to ask a few fine singers to augment our forces, to have Glenn and Cathy as guitarists, and to have Andrea Hill (soprano) and Donovan Seidle (violin) as our guest musicians for that very special combined service.

The choir continued to use our ingenious "roll-up" pianos to allow members to deepen their musical skills, and we will be pulling them out to continue learning the basics of music. The early "family service" on Christmas Eve was a fun event, with the children- about 30 in all- enjoying our

growing percussion stash- triangles, bells, wood sticks, tambourines and maracas to add emphasis to the Offertory's "Little Drummer Boy." I invited any children who wished, to come up after the service and try the "big instruments"- the organ and the grand piano. There were several keen takers!

In the coming year we will once again attempt to move both a "praise night" and a rousing "hymn-sing" to the front burner, and will focus on increasing the vocal confidence of our choir members, especially our fine male singers-particularly through workshops. We may plan a "musical field trip", perhaps exchanging forces with another parish.

We very much appreciate the many positive comments and suggestions for our work; we look forward to having others join us in blessing the people of Holy Nativity through music!

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Taylor

Music Director/Organist

OUTREACH REPORT

2025 was another busy year for the Outreach Committee, thanks to the generosity of so many of you. The congregation of Holy Nativity has earned the gratitude of several organizations in the community for our outreach to the needy through the following activities in 2025:

- February: we conducted a small survey of the congregation to gather more information on parishioners' priorities for their personal charitable giving and volunteer activities. Although the number of responses was small, the information received did largely confirm that the activities of the Outreach Committee do align well with the interests of individuals in the parish.
- May – June: Food and diaper drive for the Calgary Food Bank
- November: Donated food was delivered to the food bank for needy students at St Mary's University
- November: Clothing drive for the Mustard Seed – we delivered almost three carloads of good, warm winter clothing for distribution to unhoused people in Calgary.
- November: 24 Christmas shoe boxes were filled and delivered to the Samaritan's Purse for international distribution to children in developing countries.
- December: More than \$2,850 in gift cards were collected for distribution to 11 recently arrived refugee families or groups of adults in Calgary under the sponsorship of the Diocesan Refugee Committee according to their needs.
- December – we agreed on advice to Parish Council regarding the use of budget funds for outreach donations (see below)
- Since our activities were so heavily loaded into the Fall season in 2025, we agreed to postpone our large annual food drive for the Calgary Food Bank until early in 2026.

As you see from the financial reports, Holy Nativity had \$7,500 in the budget for outreach as well as some designated donated funds. In addition, the Parish Council agreed to add approximately half of the proceeds from the Fall Fair, making a total of \$12,000. Of this amount, half was sent to Alongside Hope (formerly the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund) for international and national aid activities. The other half was given for local assistance, being divided equally between the Calgary Food Bank, Brown Bagging for Calgary's Kids, and Big Brothers – Big Sisters of the Calgary area. We can all be proud that this represents an increase of \$3,000 over the 2024 charitable donations from the Parish.

We express our sincere gratitude to all of you who have supported these efforts. Please consider joining our small committee!

Submitted on behalf of the Outreach Committee

Elizabeth Gross

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

October 2025 marked my 9-year anniversary here as Parish Administrator. I am so thankful to have a job that I love and the opportunity to be a part of this amazing community that has become like family to me. Thank you to The Ven. Brian Vickers, the Wardens and parishioners for your ongoing support.

This past year at Holy Nativity we had 2 baptisms, 1 wedding, and 4 funeral services.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Baptisms	3	1	1	3	4	4	2
Marriages	0	0	1	2	2	0	1
Funerals/ Memorial Services	2	4	3	4	10	7	4
Christmas Eve/Day Attendance	352	N/A	128	237	354	327	329

Our weekly newsletter The News & Views is sent out every Friday by email. This contains important notices and messages as well as upcoming events in the Church or surrounding Community that may be of interest. If you have something that you would like added to the News & Views on any given week, please do not hesitate to email the office and I will be happy to include it.

Aside from our own parish groups, we have several community groups that use our building for their programs regularly. We have two AA groups, a fitness class, and a community choir that rent the hall on a weekly basis, and two scrapbooking groups who each use the hall one weekend per month. If you would like to rent our hall for your event, please contact the office.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Lackie

PINTS WITH JAMIE

Well, another year has gone past. Beers with Jamie continues to meet on the 4th Tuesday of most months, at the Horton Road Legion. We usually have 6 - 10 people at each session and have good discussions about relevant topics, occurring around us. I look forward to continuing meeting with everyone, and everyone is welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Dodds

PRAYER CHAIN REPORT

The Prayer Chain consists of several members of the church who will pray when there is a request. All prayer requests are kept confidential. Prayer requests are made for many reasons such as illness, surgery, job search, exams, travel etc.

When there is a prayer request, I ask if you would please give me an update in two weeks so the prayers can be continued if needed. Also, we have many answered prayers and it is nice to let the members know their prayers have been answered or need to be continued.

I must have permission to put in a prayer request. If you would like a prayer request please contact me, Bev Fritzler at 403-988-6073 or email at bevfrizler@shaw.ca. You may also contact Erin or Ven. Brian at the church office and they will forward your request to me.

I am pleased to have a couple of new members join the prayer chain this year. If you are interested in joining this ministry you would most welcomed. Please contact me so I could put you on my email list.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bev Fritzler

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE REPORT

Many thanks to the team of parishioners providing the Prayers of the People at the 10:00 am Sunday services and at the 8:00pm service on Christmas Eve. The regular team is Rev. Deacon Bob, George Humphrys, Nigel Long, Kathleen Patterson, Marianne Robertson, and Alan Scott. Charlotte Long and Taiwo Mudasiru have also given the prayers.

Intercessors prepare the prayers. The worldwide Anglican cycle of prayer is used together with the Calgary Diocesan Cycle including the Companion Diocese of the Windward islands. Inclusion of these reminds us that we are part of a wider Anglican Communion.

Themes from the church's year, the prescribed readings for each Sunday, Canadian and world events, and the life of Holy Nativity among other things are considered. The names of the sick are provided if someone has specifically asked to be prayed for. We invite people to add their own names of those needing prayer, either silently or aloud. Some of the prayers are petitional, where we ask for something, and some are giving thanks.

I also represent Holy Nativity at the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer for the Diocese of Calgary. Most months there is a Zoom service of either Morning or Evening Prayer for the parish representatives and others are welcome to join the services.

Thanks to everyone for supporting this ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

Nigel Long

SCRIPTURE READERS REPORT

This past year we have had nine volunteers doing the scripture readings every Sunday. Each of the readers take turns at the ten o'clock service reading the first two readings for the morning. Readers also help out as needed for special services throughout the year.

A huge Thank You to Alan Scott, Dave Lovatt, Melanie Lovatt, Dorothy Kaethler, Helen Hall, Tammy Hopkinson, Liz Gross, and Kathy Dodds for your dedicated service to this ministry.

We would be pleased to welcome any new persons interested in taking part in this ministry. If you would like to help, please speak to me or leave your name with the office. I would be happy to add you to the schedule of readers. More helpers means less commitment. A loud voice is not essential as our sound system is very efficient. A schedule is posted for three to six months in advance on the hall board across from the office. If you wish to practice your readings in advance contact Erin in the office and she will be glad to provide them for you.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Hopkinson

SIDESPERSIONS REPORT

Sidesperson duties include greeting attendees and making new members feel welcome, distributing service bulletins, and taking up the collection.

We started the year with 13 people, one more than the previous year. We are always open to more joining our team. There was a brief training session in late Fall. If you are interested in assisting us, please contact Linda Humphrys or Erin Lackie at the Church office. Your commitment and volunteerism is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Humphrys

Slate of Officers for 2026

Nominations for 2026:

Parish Council:

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| • Incumbent's Warden: | Gavin Bilton |
| • Incumbent's Asst. Warden | Elizabeth Gross |
| • People's Warden: | George Humphrys |
| • People's Asst. Warden: | Al Weiss |
| • Treasurer: | David Steell |
| • Church Committee Secretary: | Erin Lackie |
| • Synod Delegates (2): | Jamie Dodds |
| | Elizabeth |
| | Gross |
| • Members-at-Large: | Chris Hamill |
| | Donna Rodgers |
| | Kathleen Patterson |

Appointments

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| • Auditor | Nora Bray |
| • Envelope Secretary | Erin Lackie |
| • Counters Coordinator | Heather Roberts |
| • Servers Coordinator | Heather Roberts |
| • Intercessor's Coordinator | Nigel Long |
| • Liturgical Asst. Coordinator | Rev. Dr. Bob Mummery |
| • Communion Administrators' Coordinator | Kathy Dodds |
| • Reader's Coordinator | Pat Hopkinson |
| • Sidesperson Coordinator | Linda Humphrys |
| • Altar Guild Coordinator | Nora Bray |
| • Coffee Hour Coordinator | Kathleen Patterson |
| • Parish Events Coordinator | Linda Schwab |
| • Men's Fellowship | Alan Scott |
| • Prayer Chain | Bev Fritzler |
| • Card Ministry | Tammy Hopkinson |

Holy Nativity Anglican Church
Annual Meeting of Parishioners
Minutes of February 23, 2025

Attendance: See roll sheet

Opening: The Ven. Brian Vickers called the meeting to order at 10:30 am with a prayer.

Regrets: Steve & Kelly Burnie, Marylyn Bradshaw.

Appointment of Recording Secretary: Brian Vickers appointed Erin Lackie with thanks for taking minutes of the meeting.

Remembrance: Prayer of remembrance led by Brian.

Correction & Approval of Previous Minutes: Warren Mitcheltree motioned to accept. Bev Fritzler seconded. All approve. Carried.

Acceptance of Reports and Accounts: Dorothy Kaethler motioned to accept. Kathy Dodds seconded. All approve. Carried.

2024 Financials: Presented by Al Deslauriers.

Discussion Points:

- 2024 ended with \$175,950 unrestricted funds in the bank.
- Restricted funds: Piano Fund - \$2,720 (ongoing upkeep), Capital Fund - \$41,220, Organ fund – nil.
- Capital expenditures for 2024: Piano Fund – new piano for the church hall. Capital fund – completion of furnace project, cameras and boardroom chairs. Organ fund – new organ.
- Expenses for 2024 were \$288,887 vs. a budget of \$286,269.
- Envelope contributions were \$276,506 vs. a budget of \$253,200.
- 2024 finished with a revenue surplus of \$25,579. This was due to increased envelope donations (\$23,306 over budget), and interest income (\$2,740).
- Any Questions? None.

Acceptance of 2024 Financials: David Lovatt moved to accept Financials. Al Weiss seconded. All approved. Carried.

Adoption of 2025 Budget: Presented by Al Deslauriers.

- The 2025 Budget is for a deficit of Revenue/Expenses in the amount of \$8719 based on revenues of \$292,700 and expenses of \$301,419.
- Our 2025 Budget Revenue is based on the assumption of a reduction from the higher levels experienced in 2024. The final revenues from envelopes in 2024 were somewhat

higher than expected at the time the Budget was set so the budget may be somewhat conservative.

- Diocesan Apportionment for 2025 is \$34,018.
- Any Questions? None.
- Donna Rodgers moved to adopt the 2025 Budget. Jamie Dodds seconded. All in favor.
- Heartfelt thanks to Al Deslauriers who is stepping down as treasurer this year. He has been the treasurer for the last 14-15 years. He will continue to work with our new treasurer David Steell to ensure a smooth transition. Thank you, Al!

Appointments by Incumbent:

Auditor:	Nora Bray
Incumbent's Warden:	Linda
Schwab Assistant Incumbent's Warden:	Gavin
Bilton Treasurer:	David Steell

Election of Officers:

People's Warden:	George Humphrys
Assistant People's Warden:	Al Weiss
Parish Council:	Elizabeth Gross (Outreach)
	Chris Hamill (Website)
	Donna Rodgers
	Kathleen Patterson

2025 Synod Delegates:

Jamie Dodds
Elizabeth
Gross

Any other nominations? None.

Parish Council has been meeting on the second Wednesday of each month at 10 am, except in the summer. Thank you to all members. Council meetings are open to all who would like to attend.

Other Appointments

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| • Auditor | Nora Bray |
| • Envelope Secretary | Erin Lackie |
| • Counters Coordinator | Heather Roberts |
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- Parish Events Coordinator
- Men's Fellowship
- Prayer Chain
- Sidesperson Coordinator
- Card Ministry

Linda Schwab
 Alan Scott
 Bev Fritzler
 Linda Humphrys
 Tammy Hopkinson

Motion: Signing Officers for the Parish for 2025. Moved that the following individuals have signing authority for the parish of Holy Nativity, effective as of this meeting:

- Linda Schwab, Incumbent's Warden
- Gavin Bilton, Asst. Incumbent's Warden
- George Humphrys, People's Warden
- Albert Weiss, People's Asst. Warden
- Ven. Brian Vickers, Incumbent
- Albert Deslauriers, Treasurer
- Any two to sign cheques.

Darcy van Helden moved to accept signing officers. Elizabeth Gross seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Open Forum:

- Dorothy K.: Any plans for upcoming year, maintenance or anything else?
- George H.: In January we gathered about half dozen people to get a property committee going. Short term plans to look at day to day maintenance and have documentation on what has been done and what needs to be done. Long term plan is to put together a renovation plan to address the larger items. Building appraisal has been done. In the process of doing inventory and adding values to contents for insurance purposes. Grounds maintenance is included in the property committee. Plan to do a spring cleanup the first weekend in May. If anyone has any questions or suggestions please speak to George.
- Noreen D.: Any thoughts to replacing the doors? Yes, it's part of the plan. Many of the doors need replacing.
- Kathleen P: How often does the parking lot get cleared? Every snowfall. We call them when we need extra sanding.
- Kathleen P: What if someone slips and falls? We do our best to keep it clear but it is tough with the eavestrough placement and constant freezing/thawing cycle. We do have liability insurance should something happen.
- Gavin B.: We did have a company come in to look at eavestrough placement to see if they could be adjusted, but there is no solution short of digging up the parking lot to divert water drainage. More cost effective to call the sanding truck each time.
- This year is the 50-year anniversary of the building. Any plans to celebrate?

- Brian: The plaque at the back of the church is dated December 7th, and that happens to fall on a Sunday. We have invited the Bishop to attend that service for the 50 year anniversary. Parish council will discuss other plans in the coming months.
- Bob M: Fun fact, when this building was built, the mortgage was \$140,000.
- Brian: Any more questions? Thanks to Chris H. for operating the slideshow today, and to all who took the time to be here, and/or write their reports. If anyone ever has any issues, don't let them fester, come speak to Brian or one of the wardens.
- Please join us for soup and buns in the Parish Hall.

Meeting closed with the Doxology led by The Ven. Brian

Vickers. Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

HOLY NATIVITY
Annual Meeting of
Parishioners 2026
AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Opening Prayer
3. Appointment of a Recording Secretary
4. Regrets
5. Moment of Remembrance
 - a. Denise Hambidge, Thomas Wortman, Michael Ratuski, Laurence Gloin, Donald Jepson, Pricilla McMullan, Eve Strain.
6. Correction and approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 23, 2025
7. Reports for 2025
8. Financial Report
9. Adoption of the 2026 Budget
10. Appointments
 - a. Auditor
 - b. Incumbent's Warden
 - c. Assistant Incumbent's Warden
 - d. Treasurer
 - e. Scrutineers (only if necessary)
11. Election of Officers
 - a. People's Wardens
 - b. Parish Council Members
 - b. Synod Delegates
12. Motion: Signing Officers for the Parish for 2026
13. Open Forum
14. Adjournment and Doxology

Appendix 2: Parish History

The history of Holy Nativity Anglican Church dates back to 1959 when Bishop George Calvert requested an English missionary, Miss Elsa Bray, to canvas the new subdivision of Fairview to determine the number of Anglican families living in the area. On October 16, 1959, the first church service was conducted at Fairview Elementary School by a Lay Reader, Francis Fry.

As of June 1, 1961, Bishop Calvert appointed Reverend Richard E. Clark to be the Vicar of the Parish. The first services were held in the newly constructed church (Fairmont Drive and 84th Avenue S.E.) on December 3, 1961, with 117 parishioners attending the service.

On July 2, 1965, the Reverend Robert Griffiths was appointed as incumbent of the parish. During his ministry the Sunday school exceeded capacity for the church basement and space had to be rented at St. Matthew's School to accommodate the older children's classes.

On September 28, 1968, Reverend Creighton Chew was appointed as incumbent of the parish. During his tenure a decision was made to purchase land and construct a new church building at a location in the Lake Bonavista subdivision. On November 7, 1975 the first services were held. Consecration of the church took place on December 7, 1975.

In 1978, Reverend Charles F. Greene was appointed as incumbent of the parish. During his years, he was inducted as a Canon of the Diocese and his disciplined preaching style and teachings saw the parish reach a peak in growth and the way it functioned as a worship centre.

In 1992, Reverend Jagdutt Singh was appointed as incumbent of the parish. Reverend Singh provided thirteen years of faithful service. He developed a "caring Community" and was also active in the church at the Diocesan and National levels. Reverend Singh's effective resignation happened on January 31, 2006, becoming the parish incumbent at St. Barnabas Anglican Church (Calgary).

The Reverend Bryan Beveridge was our Rector from January 1, 2007 until August 2010. During his tenure, Holy Nativity began work on a strategic plan. The Rev Jim Popham was appointed interim Priest-in-Charge at Holy Nativity on September 1, 2010. This strategic plan was completed in 2011 and is currently being implemented

In 2013, Reverend Tara Livingston was appointed as incumbent of our parish. During her time with Holy Nativity, we experienced significant liturgical growth, the addition of a deacon to our parish and several building infrastructure upgrades. In addition to this, we were able to expand our parish and outreach programs to include the following:

- Blessing of the jerseys
- Blessing of the backpacks
- Congregation first aid training
- Employment support group
- Good Friday passion service
- Pints with the priest

In 2019 the Reverend Brian Vickers was called to Holy Nativity and served us well until his retirement in June 2026. He has been responsible for much of the growth of our congregation and for the strong atmosphere of fellowship here. He led the parish very successfully through the COVID lockdowns.