

Events Calendar (links are live on Parish Website)	
February 1-7 th	World Interfaith Harmony Week
Tues Feb 4 th 7:00pm (online)	Talk: The Afterlife in Jewish Thought Beth Israel Synagogue (Orthodox Judaism) online: here's the Zoom link.
Thurs Feb 6 th 7:00 pm (online)	Church outside the walls: Past, Present and Future a conversation with Archbishop Anne Germond, Archbishop Linda Nicholls, and Bishop Victoria Matthews, presented by the Divinity Associates of Trinity College, Toronto – here's the link
Thurs Feb 6 th 7:00 pm (online)	Learning Session Shaar Shalom Congregation (Conservative Judaism) online: here's the Zoom link.
Fri Feb 7 th 2:00 pm	Bible Study Our next Bible Study session will be at Holy Trinity on Friday, February 7 th at 2:00 pm
Sun Feb 9 th	Holy Trinity AGM after the 11am service at Holy Trinity
Thurs Feb 13, 7:30pm (online)	Strengthening Voices for a Just Transition , online forum hosted by KAIROS Canada - here's the link
Sun Feb 16 th	All Saints AGM after the 9:30 am service at All Saints
Wed Feb 19 th 8:00 pm (online)	Turn Debt into Hope Jubilee 2025 is a global initiative that builds on the transformative success of Jubilee 2000, which canceled \$100 billion of debt for 36 low-income countries. Debt Cancellation is not just an economic solution; it's a moral imperative rooted in the theological principle of justice for all. By addressing the root causes of debt and advocating for systemic reform, we can create a more equitable world where the welfare of people and the planet are prioritized. The Global South still faces a devastating debt crisis, with many countries spending more on debt repayments than on healthcare, education or climate action. Be part of a national and international movement calling for Debt Cancellation. Here's the link
Sun Feb 23 rd	Freedom Sunday Freedom Sunday takes place this year on February 23. Across the church, we express compassion and solidarity with trafficked peoples through prayer, Bible study and worship, and by making commitments to tackle these dehumanizing crimes. Find resources on anglican.ca . here's the link
Sun Feb 23 rd	Parish AGM after the 11am service at Holy Trinity
If there are any types of events you would like to see on this calendar or any events you want to add, please let the Parish Office know office@parishofwilmot.ca	

Parish of Wilmot

February 2nd 2025

The Presentation of the Lord



<http://colorthebible.blogspot.com>

OUR VISION STATEMENT

Parish of Wilmot is a strong, caring and inclusive community
Welcoming All!

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Participants	All Saints – 9:30 am	Holy Trinity – 11 am
Preacher	Sheila	Sheila
Greeter	Neil	Grant
Licensed Lay Minister	Wade	Roz
Chalice Bearer	N/A	N/A
Readers	Sherry-Anne & Marie	Barb & Carolee
Talliers	Wade & Neil	Kathryn & Connie
Musicians	Cheryl	Shannon

Offerings



Offerings may be placed in the plate, or you may send **e-transfers** as follows:

For All Saints: asdeposit@parishofwilmot.ca

For Holy Trinity: htdeposit@parishofwilmot.ca

Please include your mailing address for the tax receipt



Hub Anthony, Rollie Arsenault, Lisa Brehaut, Ron Burton, Teresa Comeau, Wayne Comeau, Kathy Cormier, Sherry-Anne Deveau, Marie Durling, Yvonne Grant, James Greensides, Judy Hammond, Jonathan & Liz Howland, Richard Lecombe, Jennifer M, Jennifer Michaud, Vivian Morris, Alice Murphy, Bryan & Wilma Nelson, Monique Parker, Hayden Petten, Bev Poll, Stacey Porto, Louisa Robertson, Llewellyn Robichaud, Carol Ann Sargent, Marg Shepherd, Susan Sims, Cheryl van der Pryt, Rebekka & Benjamin.

Persons need not be hospitalized or ill to be in our prayers. Please make sure you have permission before adding them. Contact the Parish Office to update the list at office@parishofwilmot.ca

Cycle of Prayer:

Christ Church, Cherry Valley, Prince Edward Island

We pray for our prayer partner – St. Nicholas Church, Westwood Hills, Tantallon

Announcements:

Any announcements you wish to have included in the bulletin must be provided to administrator@parishofwilmot.ca

The office will be open **Saturday 11:00 am – 3:00 pm** unless otherwise indicated in the bulletin and on the website

12 Baskets and The Upper Room Food Banks

February is typically a month where people show a little extra love to those they care about. Jesus wants us to love by living into His call for His followers to look after the hungry as outlined in Matthew 25:42-45. Let's show the love this February, let's fill those Foodbank bins



February Needs:

- Sidekicks
- Salt & Pepper
- Peanut Butter
- Ketchup
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste
- Jam
- Prayers



Book Study: We have chosen the book, *The Universal Christ: How a Forgotten Reality Can Change Everything We See, Hope For, and Believe* by Richard Rohr for our study. We will set dates and times when we know who will be coming. Please let the Parish administrator or Carolee Pollock (pollock@macewan.ca or 902-349-0758) know if you are interested. She can order the book for you if you like. It's \$24.95 plus tax.

Book Sale



Book Sale Our semi-annual used book sale will begin soon. Please check your shelves, ask your family and friends and help replenish our book selection. It's always great to have a new read for the spring and summer.



Retirement Bishop Sandra has accepted the resignation of the Reverend Paul Jennings effective July 1. At this time, Rev'd Paul will move into retirement.

Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Prayer over the Gifts

Almighty God,

**accept the joyful offering of your Church,
and grant that your Son may shine in us
as the light that lightens every nation.**

We ask this in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer After Communion

God for whom we wait,

**you fulfilled the hope of Simeon,
who did not die till he had welcomed the Messiah.**

**Complete in us your perfect will,
that we in Christ may share in your eternal kingdom;
for he is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Presentation of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple - Year C

Collect

Blessed are you, O Lord our God,
for you have sent us your salvation.

**Inspire us by your Holy Spirit
to recognize him who is the glory of Israel
and the light for all nations,
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Reading MALACHI 3:1-4

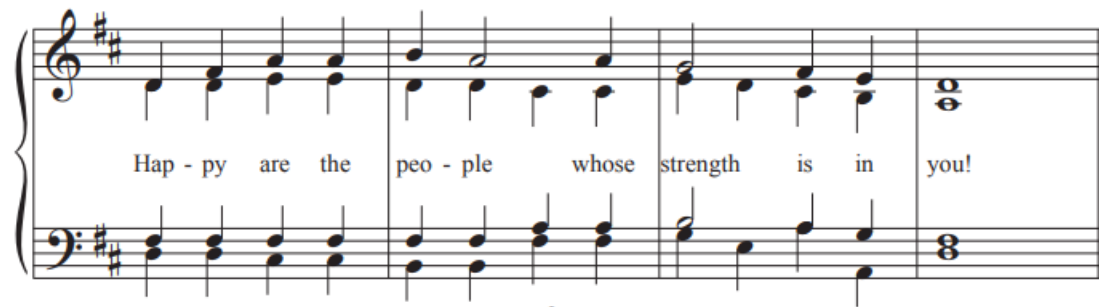
A READING FROM THE BOOK OF MALACHI

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 84

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How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house! they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you! whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way. R

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion. Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob. R

Behold our defender, O God; and look upon the face of your Anointed.

For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

For the Lord God is both sun and shield; he will give grace and glory; No good thing will the Lord withhold from those who walk with integrity.

O Lord of hosts, happy are they who put their trust in you! R

Second Reading HEBREWS 2:14-18

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel LUKE 2:22-40

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE

Glorify to you, Lord Jesus Christ

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him.