

# Vestry Report 2025

## Saint Aidan's Anglican Church



955 Wingate Drive, Ottawa, Ontario K1G 1S9

Sixty-eighth Annual Vestry Meeting  
Sunday, February 22, 2026  
following the 9:30 a.m. Liturgy

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# **SAINT AIDAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, OTTAWA**

## **SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING**

Sunday, February 22, 2026 following the 9:30 a.m. liturgy

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## MINUTES OF THE 67<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

St. Aidan's Anglican Church  
Ottawa, Ontario  
Sunday, February 23, 2025

**1. Welcome and Opening Prayer** Charlie Scromeda, our theology student, opened the meeting with a prayer.

**2. Appointment of Vestry Clerk**

Debbie Trickey was appointed as the Vestry Clerk.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Motion that the agenda be approved was made by Calvin Jones, seconded by Chuck Adamson. Carried.

**4. Approval of St. Aidan's Vestry Minutes of February 25, 2024**

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Weldon Meadus, seconded by Cheryl Dinelle.

Correction noted on St. George's Cemetery Report, should read "an Internment Right Certificate Order for Internment was completed and finalized". Carried as corrected.

Thanks were given to Susan Burns –Simpson who took the minutes.

**5. Governance Reports**

Incumbent's Report, Church Warden's Report, Synod Report and Statistics Report were highlighted.

Reverend Rosemary read the names of the parishioners who died in 2024 and a moment of silence was held in their recognition.

**6. St. Aidan's 2024 Financial Statements**

Warren Trickey asked people to refer to his Treasurer's Report. In addition, he pointed out that:

- In accounts payable of \$6730, there is a gain of \$5000 due to the diocesan debt forgiveness, which will be shown in the 2025 statements as a gain on forgiveness of debt.
- In Outreach, the Rector's Discretionary fund reflects the donations made to support a parishioner that lost everything in a fire.
- In Parish Organizations the bazaar made \$1000 more than the previous year and we did not have a bake sale or chicken BBQ Dinner in 2024, so revenue for 2024 was better than 2023.
- In Capital Expenditures \$8175 reflected the cost of the backflow valve we had to install to comply with city legislation. The money for that was taken out of the Goodwin Reserve.
- Building operations were less than the previous year by \$14,000.
- Insurance went up by \$1000.
- Garden, grass and snow plowing was significantly less than the prior year due to a new snow contract that did not include overages.

## **7. Final Results of 2024**

### **2024 Revenue:**

- We were \$620 over budget on total envelope contributions due to increased donations and the matching pledge.
- Designated Donations consist of a \$10,000 bequest from the estate of Pat Johnstone and another memorial from a parishioner of \$5000. The monies were put in our Endowment Fund with the Diocesan Consolidated Trust Fund. That fund now has \$15,800 which will yield approximately \$600 in dividends.
- The Community Foundation Timms Family Fund augments the Cole Education Fund each year with approximately \$2000.

### **2024 Expenses:**

- There was a reduction to Priestly Services due to Rev. Rosemary's Sabbath leave.
- Building Maintenance was lower due to less furnace repairs.
- A question was asked :” How do we compare to other churches financially? “Rev. Rosemary replied that some churches are running deficits and some churches have closed. She encouraged us to focus on where we are at.

Motion was made by Warren Trickey that the Audited Financial Statements of 2024 be approved.  
Seconded by Leslie Mac Donald –Hicks. Carried.

## **8. St. Aidan's 2025 Budget**

Warren Trickey reviewed the proposed budget.

### **2025 Expenses:**

- ECOPS and Parish Fair Share numbers come from the Diocese and are lower than 2024.
- Salaries were increased by 2.5%, plus paying stat holidays that was mandated by the Diocese.
- Insurance costs have increased.

### **2025 Revenue:**

- Parish Organizations reflects the return of a few fundraising events.
- Rental number came from the Rental Committee that is actively looking for new long term rentals.
- The dividends number is an estimated number from the Cole Education Fund, the Goodwin Fund, the Endowment Fund and a Community Foundation Fund set up by an active parishioner.
- Work of the Church is higher but the hope is that parishioners will be on board to carry the budget forward.
- Outreach projects were explained that when we raise money for a specific project it is paid out as an expenditure. Therefore we do not budget for outreach income or expenses.
- A question was asked whether monetary value could be placed on projects and donations such as food or clothing etc. This will be considered going forward.

Motion to approve the St. Aidan's 2025 budget was moved by Warren Trickey and seconded by Judith Stanway. Carried.

## 9. Appointments and Elections

Slate of Nominations:

- Nancy Gover as People's Warden
- Phil Charko as Deputy Warden
- Lois Wynn and Phil Charko as Synod Representatives, Chuck Adamson as Synod Alternate
- Peter Martin, Debbie Trickey, Leslie Mac Donald- Hicks, and James Phillips for Parish Council
- Susan Kuntz and Donna Robinson as Auditors
- Janet Talbot, Margaret Bradford, Chris Drinkwater, Roger Preston, Mark Alexander, and Stephen Talbot for St. George's Cemetery Board
- A call was made for nominations from the floor. No further nominations were received.
- Motion that the nominees for People's Warden, Deputy Warden, Synod Representatives, Parish Council and St. George's Cemetery Board be elected to their respective positions was made by Calvin Jones, seconded by Cheryl Dinelle. Carried.

Other Roles and Appointments:

- Rector's Warden, Claire Chapdelaine (appointed by Incumbent )
- Treasurer, Margaret Bradford (appointed by Corporation)
- Office Administrator, Sandra Busby
- Organist, Tea Mamaladze
- Cleaner, Darlene Carter
- Bookkeeper, Paul Gover
- Convenor of Counters , Paul Gover
- Envelope Secretary, Calvin Jones
- Rental Manager, Phil Charko
- Head of Altar Guild, Janet Talbot
- Convenor of Sidespeople and Liturgical Schedules, Sandra Busby and James Phillips
- Lay Administrators : Bill Balke, Chris Brown, Susan Burns- Simpson, Phil Charko, Rita Code, Les Cooper, Nancy Gover, Karen Mattioli, Simon Mattioli, Primal Silva, Dave Stewart, Janet Talbot, Clinton Thomas, Debbie Trickey.
- Cheque Signing Authority (Parish Account) Warren Trickey, Linda Hannah, Peter Martin, Chuck Adamson and Margaret Bradford

Rev. Rosemary gave a special thank you to:

- Peter Martin , who is stepping down after four years as Chair of Parish Council. She thanked him for his efficiency and dedication in this role.
- Chuck Adamson, who is stepping down after five years as Warden. She thanked him for his faithful caring of our parishioners and church buildings. He will continue in his role of property point person.
- Warren Trickey, who has been our parish Treasurer for the past fifteen years. She gave him some statistics: that he put up with two bishops, two rectors, one interim priest, 15 Vestry Reports, Statistical Returns and Charities Returns, 150 Council Meetings, thousands of hours of taking care of our finances, two National recessions and survived a global pandemic. A job well done.

## **10. Acceptance of the 2024 Reports**

Rev. Rosemary referred Vestry to the 2024 Reports in the package, and took a moment to commend St George's Hawthorne Cemetery Board for all their work.

Chuck Adamson highlighted some of our property concerns in addition to his written report:

- A seized one-way valve on the outflow of a sump pump was repaired. It had caused flooding in the lower storage room.
- HVAC
- He gave a huge thank you to Andy Kuntz who has given us wonderful service of our HVAC system for the past several years
- The problem of the repeated failure of the motor running the fan that circulated the air to heat the sanctuary was resolved by keeping the motor running continuously. Unfortunately the motor failed again in the fall when we switched back to heating. The system was reassessed, a blown breaker was repaired and we are continuing to keep the motor running.
- Energy Usage for heating and air conditioning
- For the sake of our budget and for the environment this seems like an appropriate time to review the sources of heat loss in the winter and absorption in the summer then review our current machinery for heating and cooling. Three contractors are going to be asked to assess; our buildings with an energy audit, the heating and control system for the halls and the heating and cooling of the nave, Sanctuary and Narthex.
- We are also seeking another assessment of the noisy fan and motor for the air handling unit.

Rev. Rosemary asked everyone to stand and thank each other for the work done on behalf of the parish.

## **11. Adjournment and Grace**

A motion to adjourn was made by Cheryl Dinelle. Carried.  
The meeting was ended with the Grace.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Trickey

**SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL VESTRY REPORT**  
**St Aidan's Anglican Church**  
**Ottawa, Ontario**  
**Sunday, February 22, 2026**

**Incumbent's Report**

I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. *Ephesians 16-19*



Often at Vestry, we focus on the numbers--the financial statements, the average attendance, and the beloved parishioners lost. It can sometimes feel like we are in a deficit, in more ways than one. What would God be counting, though? How would God "audit" St Aidan's? I wonder if God might be looking at slightly different numbers. **For example, in 2025, St Aidan's had 3 weddings, 2 confirmations, 1 baptism, and a wonderful year, jam-packed with Sunday School, Young Adult Ministry, Christian Education, Outreach Projects, and Worship Gatherings.** God would note that over \$205,000 and countless hours were offered by our parishioners to support St Aidan's mission in Christ. May God help us to recognize the abundance and generosity that overflows in this thriving parish!

The deficits are also real, and our shared work to address St Aidan's sustainability continues. These are not new challenges, nor do we face them alone; for example, our Anglican Diocese of Ottawa has substantially reduced our parish's portion of the total Diocesan costs. St Aidan's is also working hard to strengthen our other two streams of revenue: the Rental Ministry, and the Endowment Fund dividends. **It can be tempting to rely on Offerings and Fundraisers as our primary sources of income, but these practices come with a cost;** donor and volunteer burnout were identified as key issues when I began as your Incumbent 5 years ago. The Rental Ministry and Endowment Fund empower parishioners to give generously within our means, and to offer events that nourish our community.

St Aidan's begins 2026 with an unexpected blessing: a number of new and engaged parishioners, who bring with you countless gifts and experiences! **As we look ahead with hope, may the Spirit keep our whole parish open to these fresh perspectives and visions of the future.** The answer to our prayers will be found in one another, as the love of Christ is revealed in each of us. After all, God is not an auditor--God is our Creator and Redeemer, who ensures that our parish is full of God's blessings and possibilities.

In the name of Christ,  
Rev. Rosemary Parker



### **Churchwardens Report**

To be a warden is to see up close the joys and challenges of St. Aidan's. We are a joyful, welcoming community of people, and the cost of loving is the sadness when we lose them. To enter this warm and beautiful church, filled with gratitude that our old boiler is working. The ever-present challenge of fundraising and the generosity that has kept us and that is keeping us going. The pleasure of meeting over coffee, meetings, crafts, dinners, music, and the dedication of the people who, week after week, are organising these activities. To see the compassion of people who reach out to those in need, with warm clothes, sweets, books, a presence, a prayer and all kinds of caring. The peace of worship and a spiritual life in a world filled with difficult news. The hands that repair whatever is broken, clean-up, beautify the church and tend to the outside. The companionship and support amidst the joys and the challenges of life. The Spirit that shines through.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Gover, Claire Chapdelaine, and Phil Charko

### **Parish Council Report**

St Aidan's Parish Council met every month in 2025, except for our normal summer break in July and August. Each meeting, we monitored the wellbeing of St Aidan's by receiving reports about our finances and property, and addressing any tasks or concerns they raised. Special thanks to Margaret Bradford, who has done a beautiful job as our new Treasurer, and to Chuck Adamson, who continues to care for our beloved building. Parish Council also regularly discussed upcoming Events, Fundraisers, Outreach Projects, and other ministries, and supported the organizers as needed. We handled some difficult topics with grace this year, including the Bylaw issue regarding Parking Lot rentals, the changes to our staffing compensation, and our ongoing financial sustainability. Thanks to James Phillips, we also underwent a review of the 2023 Parish Day visions ("Whales"), which is captured in a separate Vestry report. St Aidan's Council is an engaged and thoughtful group, who care deeply about our parish and wider community. We are grateful to our outgoing Rector's Warden, Nancy Gover, who has served on Corporation and Council with wisdom and creativity. We look forward to welcoming Kathryn Noel as a Deputy Warden this year, too.

*2025 Members of Parish Council: Chuck Adamson, Margaret Bradford,  
Claire Chapdelaine, Phil Charko, Nancy Gover, Leslie Macdonald-Hicks,  
Peter Martin, Rev Rosemary Parker, Debbie Trickey, Lois Wynn.*

Respectfully Submitted,

The Chairs of St Aidan's Parish Council

Claire Chapdelaine, Nancy Gover, Phil Charko, and Rev. Rosemary Parker

## **Parish Day Report**

In the spring of 2023, as parish we had a visioning day. The outcomes of our visioning day set out six visions statements looking forward five years into the future for the parish, and also gave us some idea of some of the steps we might take to move towards this desired future. Your parish council has been reflecting on our vision statements, affectionately referred to as “whales,” over this past year. Here is a summary of those reflections:

### **Grow Social Clubs and have More Activities such as Game Nights, Craft and Youth Groups**

We have organized new coffee time teams with a view to engaging more parishioners in the process of fellowship and hospitality. Several of our fellowship and event management planning process are also well documented, such that new volunteers could reproduce past parish events. During the Advent period, a communal puzzle was added to the Narthex, which made for a shared activity that parishioners could enjoy. There is more to do in this area – some early ideas include more involving our Next Generation community, our craft workshops, and perhaps even dinner theatre. Some reflection needs to be done in terms of situating these activities within the context of our broader community’s needs, which is a facet of the parish and diocese’s contextual mission initiative.

### **Cultivate a Sustainable Cadre of Joyful Volunteers through Long Range Planning and Questionnaires to Solicit Interest in Possible Events**

Our “ministry fair,” an event designed to educate parishioners on the full breadth of ministries and activities has led to a diversity of readers and intercessors. This event is part of a larger effort to grow an inclusive and positive volunteer culture at our parish. Our Bazaar and the Ride for Refuge event were also testaments to our volunteer cadre’s capabilities.

### **A Full Choir and Active Music Program**

The parish continues to be grateful for our talented music director and a growing choir. In addition to our choir, from time to time, Téa’s connections into the Ottawa music community have netted us some exciting guest performances as well, including the very impressive Christmas Concert. Wednesday’s now feature music requests, as well. Other ideas involving music include more guest performers, a hymn sing, or potentially a candlelight concert.

### **Lower Costs and Raise Income Without Relying on Fundraising**

As a testament to earlier efforts, rental income and our new endowment fund are helping to contribute to the parish’s sources of revenue. Through matching end of year campaigns our parish has either balanced or come close to balancing its budget over the last two years. Waiting until the end of the year, however, may not be the best ongoing approach. Telling the financial story of St. Aidan’s throughout the year could help parishioners connect with both the financial health of the church, but also the benefit that their giving brings such as our rich music program, community outreach, and our fellowship activities. Volunteer efforts at our parish are and will continue to be extremely important; any service that can be sourced from volunteer effort has the potential to impact our bottom line as fewer services purchased.

### **Beautification of the Church and Property to be More Attractive to Rentals**

A cadre of dedicated volunteers continues to work away at various beautification and maintenance projects at St. Aidan’s. We have painted the basement and improved the hall access point significantly. Increased signage and our prayer net engage the community. Moving forward, there may be more assistance we could obtain from the diocese with respect to property maintenance and rentals. Additionally, this year the rental committee will be undergoing a period of renewal, as it’s current leadership would like to help new volunteers understand this important facet of our income approach. Any parishioners with time or ideas are encouraged to identify themselves after vestry.

### **Communicate more Broadly to the Wider Community**

The Ride for Refuge is a great example of a visible Saint Aidan’s being active in the community. Other community engagement activities include our Advent Outreach activity and our joint bible study with our Lutheran neighbours. As observed previously, contextual mission is and will be a driver for further engagement activities. An important consideration is to not overwhelm parishioner and community audiences with too much information while still providing advanced notice of events. There are likely opportunities for better electronic outreach either using our web presence or geo-targeted online approaches. In conclusion, our vision statements remain relevant in the life of the church and when seen as a whole are moving us closer to our goals of vibrant and sustainable ministry.

Respectfully submitted,  
James Phillips

## **Synod Report**

### ***What is a Diocese? What is Synod? What does St Aidan's have to do with any of this?***

St Aidan's is a Parish in our Anglican Diocese of Ottawa, which includes 49 parishes (85 congregations), 53 active clergy, 40 lay readers, and 11,500 members. In October 2025, our Diocese of Ottawa gathered for Synod (our Annual General Meeting), where we review parish and diocesan activities, priorities, and operations.

#### ***Reflections from Lois Wynn***

I think the highlights most of interest to St Aidan's could be taken from the three reflections by Rev. Canon Dr. Sarah Johnson, the Director of Anglican Studies at St Paul University:

##### **Reflection 1: Feathers as Seeds**

- We received a ceramic feather that was created for an art exhibit marking Canada's 150th anniversary in 2017.
- Some were gifted to the diocese to inspire commitments to reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.
- We learned how some of the parishes are honouring these feathers to spark action like a seed that can grow.

##### **Reflection 2: Listening to Young People**

- Listen to what young people want in their church.
- Research shows that they don't want to be treated differently than the rest of the congregation.

##### **Reflection 3: What We Need Is Here**

- All it takes to be the church is a Bible, a meal, two or three people and a commitment to the realm of God.
- There will always be a church.

#### ***Reflections from Phil Charko***

I was happy to receive a report on our three year plan for the Diocese. Significant progress has been made. Some of the achievements are:

- 1) Reduction in use of Parish Revenues to fund Diocesan activities by \$460,000.
- 2) This reduces St Aidan's expenses.
- 2) A change in the culture of the Diocesan office to be more supportive of parishes in providing expertise, training and resources. We have over the past years found that the Diocese is much more responsive to our questions and we can rely on them more for help in legal, property management and human resources issues.
- 3) The sharing of best practices in contextual mission. This helps St. Aidan's in its engagement with the community around us and us an important priority for the Diocese and ourselves. We must be more present in our local community.

I was also gratified to see that Synod supported the recent UN Declaration for the Decade for People of African Descent in the light of the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lois Wynn and Phil Charko

### Statistics from Parish Registers

Marriages: 3

*Georden Jones & Roupen Odabashian*  
*Pamela Mendoza & Scott Gover*  
*Linda Bennett & Charles Adamson*

Baptisms: 1

*Jackson Charlebois*

Confirmations: 2

*Bryanna Jup*  
*Jacob Jones*

Burials: 7

*Norma Hedgecoe*  
*Eldelgard Golombeck*  
*Christeen Stewart*  
*Ogbai Habtemikael*  
*Andrew Wilson*  
*Ivy Wicker*

# FINANCE

## Treasurer Report

My first year as your Parish Treasurer has been a steep learning curve and I have been so fortunate to have Warren Trickey as my mentor and advisor. I am very grateful to him for his patient teaching. I also want to thank Calvin Jones, Paul Gover and Peter Martin who have taught me a great deal and who do such a wonderful job as members of the Finance team, capably supported by Sandra, our Administrator. Thanks also go to the Sunday morning counters and the auditors.

2025 began well. We balanced the budget in 2024 and began 2025 in a strong position. By June, we felt confident enough to move \$15,000 into a Daily Interest Savings account which has already given us \$152 in interest. Parish Council also approved the installation of a heat pump in Lindisfarne hall, which has added so much to our comfort in the hot summer months. For this major capital Improvement, we used up the Goodwin fund, taking the remaining \$12,000 to cover the cost. I was able to speak with Chris Goodwin at the Christmas concert and I thanked him for the kind donation left by his parents Cecil and Win Goodwin. We have also been using the GIFT fund for items such as the Parish Directory and books for the Book studies.

One downside has been the loss of parking rental. In the early summer, we were hit with a cease and desist order from the City after a complaint from a neighbour about a late night parking lot disturbance. Apparently we are not zoned for paid parking. This had a major influence on our rental income and resulted in a net loss of just over \$5,000. Finding new tenants will be very important this year. We are fortunate to have Ottawa Public Health and Kiwanis as good tenants as well as National Capital First Aid.

The year-end push to balance the budget brought in an amazing \$52,000. Thank you to everyone who dug a little deeper to move Santa along the golf course. We are very grateful to the 2 generous “golf pros” who helped Santa. Even though the matching threshold was not met, they matched the Christmas donations in the second half of December 2 for 1. I know I speak for most people when I say that I hope we do not need a year-end push this year. Let’s try to dig deeper all through the year. Join PAR, make use of e-transfers, and support this vibrant Parish to the Glory of God.

One idea that was new to me is the idea of donating shares. We had 2 generous Parishioners this year who together gave over \$12,000 in this way. The process is not difficult and either Warren or I can give details to anyone interested. The Endowment fund is thriving and gave us almost \$1800 in dividends this year.

Our fundraising this year included a bake sale, pancake supper, Spring blessings, Strawberry social and of course the wonderful Bazaar which brought in over \$11,600. You can expect to see some more fun activities throughout the year. We are pleased that our staff members are now enrolled in the Diocese Payroll plan, where, if eligible, they can receive pension and benefits. We were also pleased this year to award 4 scholarships from the Cole Education fund and the Timms Community fund.

In 2024, in an inducement to settle the Diocesan debt and pay our Parish Fair Share for 2022 and 2023, the Diocese offered to reduce the debt by \$5,000. This now counts as 2025 income. (Gain on Settlement of Diocese debt). The bottom line is that we ended 2025 with a Cash Operating Deficit of \$10,500, but it shows as a net loss of \$5,500.

This is a good place to begin 2026.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Bradford

### **Stewardship Report**

The stewardship team's mission is to cultivate a spirit of gratitude for our vibrant parish life. In the spring of 2025, a successful Thank-you Event was held, offering carnations to all those who volunteered for parish ministries. We recognize and thank all those who give their time to our parish. This fall, a successful Pledge campaign was held. Pledging provides an opportunity for everyone to reflect on what they most appreciate about St Aidan's. Thirty-six parishioners pledged, which represents a 66% response rate against our average weekly attendance of 55. Five parishioners also choose the campaign as a moment to increase their Pre-Authorized Remittance offerings. By the end of 2025, almost half the parishioners had increased their offerings compared to 2024. Clearly, the spirit of gratitude is present in the parish and we are sincerely thankful for this result. We pray that 2026 will be another great year of thanksgiving.

Respectfully submitted,  
Phil Charko

### **Stewardship Motions**

#### **Stewardship Motion 1: Giving Thanks**

Moved by: Phil Charko  
Seconded by:

St Aidan's Vestry takes note of the tremendous generosity of parishioners in giving their energy, commitment and financial support to the ministries of St. Aidan's, and gives thanks to God for this abundance. We pray that this spirit of generosity will continue in 2026 to help meet our Budget for Offerings, enable our Worship, Outreach, and Mission, and serve the world God loves.

#### **Stewardship Motion 2: Rental Ministry**

Moved by: Phil Charko  
Seconded by:

St Aidan's Vestry recognizes that our 2026 Budget for Rentals is ambitious, and calls on all of our parishioners to help increase long-term, ongoing rentals as a sustainable source of revenue. Specifically, St Aidan's Rental Team asks that parishioners continue to connect with their own networks and communities, and promote St Aidan's as a potential location for long-term, ongoing rentals. A pamphlet will be distributed to parishioners for this purpose.

### **Cole Education Report**

Thanks to the generosity of the Cole and Timms family bequests, a total of \$3000 in scholarships was awarded to these parishioners in post-secondary education: Erin Robinson, Owen Robinson, Bryanna Jup, and Thomas Ward.

Respectfully submitted,  
St Aidan's Corporation and Trustees of the Cole Education Scholarship  
Claire Chapdelaine, Nancy Gover, Phil Charko, Rev. Rosemary Parker

### **Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) 2025**

In 2012 and 2013, St Aidan's participated in a major Diocesan fund-raising campaign called Growing in Faith Together. We raised \$107,000 of which \$55,695 was for projects in the parish. At the start of 2025, \$2,750 was still remaining in the fund. This year we have allocated \$416.76 to support the Parish Photo Album, \$207.81 to purchase books for the Parish book study and \$150.00 as honorarium for a soloist during the Christmas concert leaving a balance of \$1,977.

Respectively submitted  
Peter Martin

**ST. AIDAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2025**  
**UNAUDITED - SEE NOTICE TO READER**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Royal Bank - General Account	\$ 33,652	\$ 59,096
Royal Bank - Savings Account	15,152	-
Petty Cash Fund	78	78
Accounts Receivable	912	2,370
Prepaid Expenses	4,504	4,504
Deposit Diocesan Consolidated Trust Fund	68,069	62,236
GST and HST Receivable	4,247	1,857
	<u>126,614</u>	<u>130,141</u>
<b>CAPITAL ASSETS - NOTE 2</b>	<u>606,286</u>	<u>606,286</u>
	<u><u>\$ 732,900</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 736,427</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 3,376	\$ 6,730
<b>EQUITY, RESERVES AND CONTRIBUTED SURPLUS</b>		
Reserve for Outreach	1,158	467
Reserve for Celtic Cross Fund	-	414
Reserve for C. Wilson Memorial Fund	9,240	9,240
Reserve for Cole Education Fund	8,007	27,236
Reserve for Memorials	-	4,577
Equity in Capital Assets	606,286	606,286
Reserve for Goodwin Bequest	-	9,938
Reserve for Bequests	-	4,141
Reserve for Parish Share of GIFT Pledges	1,977	2,751
Reserve for Endowment Fund Trust*	50,822	15,822
Reserve for Syrian Refugee Family	-	50
Reserve for Altar Guild	2,781	2,743
Reserve for Refugee Sponsorship	5,666	5,667
<b>Total Equity and Reserves</b>	<u>\$ 689,313</u>	<u>\$ 689,332</u>
<b>Operating Surplus, Beginning of Year</b>	40,365	15,308
Transfer from Reserves	8,718	
Net Loss for the Year	(5,496)	25,057
<b>Operating Surplus, End of Year</b>	<u>43,587</u>	<u>40,365</u>
	<u><u>\$ 732,900</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 736,427</u></u>

**APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE CHURCH:**

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**Rector**

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**People's Warden**

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**Rector's Warden**

See notes to financial statements

\* \$25, 000 transferred from Cole Education Fund.

**ST. AIDAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**  
**UNAUDITED - SEE NOTICE TO READER**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Regular Envelope Donations	\$ 205,403	\$ 211,120
Designated Donation	10,000	15,000
Donation to retire Diocese Debt	-	18,000
Interest	152	7
Open Offerings	1,783	1,560
Miscellaneous	723	419
Parish Organizations and Events	14,995	14,219
Memorial Fund/Celtic Cross	595	6,485
Gain on Settlement of Diocese Debt	5,000	
Rental	39,759	41,084
Endowment Fund & Community Foundation Dividends	2,937	1,599
Altar Guild	1,827	1,858
Community Foundation - Timms & Cole CTF	3,000	2,381
Weddings/Funeral Fees	900	350
Diocese - CTF Receipts	12,679	8,300
Transfer from Reserves	774	657
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u>300,527</u>	<u>323,039</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Equalized Cost of Priestly Services	125,607	122,720
Parish Fare Share	34,478	35,638
Organist	18,842	16,788
Office Administrator	26,941	26,690
Cleaner	12,017	11,244
CPP and EI	4,094	3,878
Parish Programs	2,961	2,775
Building Maintenance, Operations, Insurance	48,941	45,584
Capital Improvements	11,865	8,175
Administration	4,253	4,209
Synod and Workshop Registration	423	385
Altar Guild Expenditures	1,769	1,665
GIFT Expense	774	657
Cole Scholarship	3,000	1,000
Transfer to Reserves	10,058	16,574
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>306,023</u>	<u>297,982</u>
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<u>\$ (5,496)</u>	<u>\$ 25,057</u>

See notes to financial statements



**ST. AIDAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

**STATEMENT OF PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAM**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

**UNAUDITED - SEE NOTICE TO READER**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<b>PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAM</b>		
Parish Outreach revenue - OPEN	\$ 691	\$ 514
Parish Outreach revenue - Designated	3,512	9,279
Transfer from Reserve - Rector's Discretion	<u>-</u>	<u>172</u>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u><u>\$ 4,203</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,965</u></u>
Parish Outreach Expenditures	\$ 3,512	\$ 9,965
Transfer to Reserve - Outreach - OPEN	<u>691</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u><u>\$ 4,203</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,965</u></u>

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**ST. AIDAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

**REVENUE AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT DETAIL - 2025**

	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
<b>PARISH ORGANIZATIONS REVENUE</b>		
Bazaar	\$11,628	\$11,604
Spring Fundraiser	1,685	1,250
Bake Sale	160	0
Strawberry Social	299	0
Pancake Supper	1,223	1,365
Altar Guild	1,827	0
	<u>\$16,822</u>	<u>\$14,219</u>

**CAPITAL EXPENDITURES**

City Mandate for Backflow Update	0	8,175
Heat pump for Lindisfarne Hall	11,865	0
	<u>\$11,865</u>	<u>\$8,175</u>

**BUILDING OPERATION**

Insurance	11,227	11,227
Heating	9,597	10,933
Security	735	736
Water	3,128	2,743
Electricity	5,479	3,604
Telephone	3,317	3,039
Maintenance-Regular	5,705	4,782
Furnace	0	0
Grass and Snow	8,523	8,073
Garden	781	52
Cleaning Supplies	449	395
	<u>\$48,941</u>	<u>\$45,584</u>

**MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE**

T-Shirts and other apparel	313	0
Calendars	110	0
Choir donation	300	0
	<u>\$723.00</u>	<u>0</u>

**OUTREACH REVENUE**

	2025 Actual
Rector's Discretionary	\$0
Heron Emergency Food Centre	1,702
Outreach - Open	691
Arch Street School	0
PWRDF Appeal	1,130
St George, Jerusalem	680
	<u>\$4,203</u>

**OUTREACH EXPENDITURES**

PWRDF (Alongside Hope)	1,130
Rector's Discretionary Appeal	0
Heron Emergency Food Centre	1,702
Arch Street School	0
St George, Jerusalem	680
Open Outreach	691
	<u>\$4,203</u>

**TRANSFER FROM RESERVES**

GIFT	774
	<u>\$774</u>

**TRANSFER TO RESERVES**

Altar Guild	58
	<u>\$58</u>

**EDUCATION (SCHOLARSHIPS)**

Timms Community Fund	2336
Cole Education CTF	664
Scholarships	<u>\$ 3,000</u>

**ENDOWMENT FUND**

Balance 31st Dec 2024	15,822
Transfer from Cole CTF	25,000
Designated donation - Heat pump	10,000
Balance 31st Dec 2025	<u>\$ 50,822</u>

**ST. AIDAN'S CHURCH**  
**FINAL 2025 RESULTS and 2026 BUDGET**

	<b>Actual Dec 31 2025</b>	<b>Budget 2025</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Budget 2026</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>				
TOTAL ENVELOPE DONATIONS	\$ 205,403.00	\$ 214,065.00	-\$ 8,662.00	\$ 217,862.00
BEQUEST AND DESIGNATED DONATIONS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
OPEN OFFERING	\$ 1,783.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 283.00	\$ 1,800.00
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 723.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 523.00	\$ 400.00
PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & EVENTS	\$ 14,995.00	\$ 15,000.00	-\$ 5.00	\$ 16,000.00
MEMORIAL FUNDS/CELTIC CROSS	\$ 595.00	\$ -	\$ 595.00	\$ -
RENTAL	\$ 39,759.00	\$ 45,000.00	-\$ 5,241.00	\$ 45,000.00
COLE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -
DIOCESE CTF RECEIPTS - GOODWIN	\$ 12,679.00	\$ -	\$ 12,679.00	\$ -
ALTAR GUILD	\$ 1,827.00	\$ -	\$ 1,827.00	\$ 1,850.00
INTEREST	\$ 152.00	\$ -	\$ 152.00	\$ 300.00
OUTREACH	\$ 3,512.00	\$ -	\$ 3,512.00	\$ -
WEDDINGS & FUNERALS	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ 900.00	\$ -
ENDOWMENT TRUST DIVIDENDS & TRUST DISTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,937.00	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 137.00	\$ 3,050.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVES - GIFT	\$ 774.00	\$ -	\$ 774.00	\$ -
GAIN ON SETTLEMENT OF RETIREMENT DEBT	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 304,039.00</b>	<b>\$ 278,565.00</b>	<b>\$ 25,474.00</b>	<b>\$ 286,262.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
EQUALIZED COST OF PRIESTLY SERVICES	\$ 125,607.00	\$ 124,587.00	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 124,428.00
PARISH SHARE DIOCESE MISSION	\$ 34,478.00	\$ 34,478.00	\$ -	\$ 34,692.00
ORGANIST	\$ 18,842.00	\$ 19,300.00	-\$ 458.00	\$ 20,531.00
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR	\$ 26,941.00	\$ 28,000.00	-\$ 1,059.00	\$ 35,887.00
CLEANER	\$ 12,017.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 17.00	\$ 12,974.00
CPP & EI	\$ 4,094.00	\$ 4,300.00	-\$ 206.00	\$ -
GIFT PROGRAM EXPENDITURE	\$ 774.00	\$ -	\$ 774.00	\$ -
PARISH PROGRAMS	\$ 2,961.00	\$ 3,000.00	-\$ 39.00	\$ 3,000.00
BUILDING MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONS, INSURANCE	\$ 48,941.00	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 941.00	\$ 48,000.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 4,253.00	\$ 4,500.00	-\$ 247.00	\$ 4,500.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 11,865.00	\$ -	\$ 11,865.00	\$ -
OUTREACH	\$ 3,512.00	\$ -	\$ 3,512.00	\$ -
COLE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -
ALTAR GUILD	\$ 1,769.00	\$ -	\$ 1,769.00	\$ 1,850.00
REGISTRATION FEES	\$ 423.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 23.00	\$ 400.00
TRANSFER TO RESERVES	\$ 10,058.00	\$ -	\$ 10,058.00	\$ -
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 309,535.00</b>	<b>\$ 278,565.00</b>	<b>\$ 30,970.00</b>	<b>\$ 286,262.00</b>
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>-\$ 5,496.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>-\$ 5,496.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

## **2026 Appointments and Elections**

*\*New for 2026*

### **Church Wardens**

People's Warden: Phil Charko (Elected by Vestry, Member of Corporation and Parish Council)\*  
Rector's Warden: Claire Chapdelaine (Appointed by Incumbent, Member of Corporation and Parish Council)  
Deputy Warden: Kathryn Noel (Appointed by Incumbent, Member of Corporation and Parish Council)\*

### **Treasurer**

Margaret Bradford (Appointed by Corporation, Member of Parish Council)

### **Lay Members of Synod (Elected by Vestry, Members of Parish Council)**

Lois Wynn  
Phil Charko  
Alternate: Chuck Adamson

### **Other Members of Parish Council (Elected by Vestry)**

Peter Martin  
Debbie Trickey  
Leslie Macdonald-Hicks  
James Phillips

### **Auditors for Vestry 2026 Audit (Elected by Vestry)**

Donna Robinson and Susan Kuntz

### **St George's Cemetery Board (Elected by Vestry)**

Chairperson/Secretary: Christine Drinkwater\*  
Treasurer: Margaret Bradford  
Trustee (BAO contact): Janet Talbot\*  
Trustee: Stephen Talbot  
Trustee: Roger Preston  
Trustee: Mark Alexander

**MOTION: That these Nominees for People's Warden, Members of Synod, Parish Council, Auditors, and St George's Cemetery Board be elected to their respective positions.**

### **Other Roles and Appointments**

Office Administrator: Sandra Busby  
Organist: Téa Mamaladze  
Cleaner: Darlene Carter

Bookkeeper: Paul Gover  
Convenor of Counters: Paul Gover  
Envelope Secretary: Calvin Jones  
Rental Manager: Phil Charko  
Head of Altar Guild: Janet Talbot

Convenor of Sidespeople and Liturgical Schedules: Sandra Busby, Nancy Gover, and James Phillips

Greeters and Sidespeople: Linda Hannah, Cheryl Dinelle, Audrey Grace, Stephen Talbot, Achol Majok, Phil Charko, Dave Stewart, Linda Balke, Donna & Owen Robinson

Readers and Intercessors: Linda Balke, Joan Harrison, Les Cooper, Janet Talbot, James Phillips, Elisabeth Dempsey, Susan Kuntz, Weldon & Mary Meadus, Donna & Owen Robinson, Lois Wynn, Bolanle Balogun, Karen Mattioli, Kathryn Noel, Leslie MacDonald-Hicks, Laura Ziebell- Mattioli

Servers: Nancy Gover, Susan Burns-Simpson, Chris Brown.

Lay Administrators: Bill Balke, Chris Brown, Susan Burns-Simpson, Phil Charko, Rita Code, Les Cooper, Nancy Gover, Audrey Grace, Karen Mattioli, Simon Mattioli, Primal Silva, Dave Stewart, Janet Talbot, Clinton Thomas, Debbie Trickey.

Cheque Signing Authority (Parish Account): Chuck Adamson, Margaret Bradford, Peter Martin, Janet Talbot, and Warren Trickey.

**St Aidan's 2025 Leadership within our Anglican Diocese of Ottawa**

Phil Charko: Diocesan Clergy Remuneration Board, Diocesan Investment Sub-Committee.

Nancy Gover: Diocesan Lay Reader ministries.

Peter Martin: Board Member and Treasurer of Cornerstone Housing for Women (Diocesan Community Ministry).

Warren Trickey: Diocesan Investment Sub-Committee.

Rev. Rosemary Parker: Regional Dean of East Ottawa Deanery, Chair of Diocesan Partnerships Committee, Member of Diocesan Council, and Member of Nominations Sub-Committee.

# ST GEORGE'S HAWTHORNE CEMETERY

The St. George's Hawthorne Cemetery Board was established at St Aidan's Vestry in 2023 to manage and oversee St. George's Hawthorne Cemetery on behalf of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa. St. George's Hawthorne Cemetery is located at 3924 Russell Road. A contract for grass cutting was continued with Alain Cote on a fee per cut basis, to a maximum of 10 cuts per season. Due to the dry weather this summer only 6 cuts were required. Spring (May 3) and Fall (Oct 18) "Clean-up" events were held. Community volunteers and Board members performed seasonal activities such as trimming trees, removal of overgrown shrubs, planting grass, raking leaves and maintaining flower beds. A Memorial Service was held at the Cemetery on Sunday June 8, 2024. Reverend Rosemary Parker led this service and Téa Mamaladaze provided music accompaniment for hymns. A similar service will be held annually on the second Sunday in June. There was one new lot sold in 2025. There were 5 burials (2 urns and 3 caskets) completed in 2025. The Cemetery Board has a good relationship with Eastern Ontario Memorials (EOM). This company performed all the grave openings/closings this year. In 2025, there was a surplus of \$15,423 of income over expenses for the cemetery. (Financial statement attached.) The main source of income was the donations received throughout the year. The Board continues to issue income tax receipts through the church's charitable number for donations greater than \$25. You can contact the Cemetery Board by telephone at 613-733-5992 or email at stgeorghawthornecemetery@gmail.com. Our Facebook page is St. George's Hawthorne Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Drinkwater, Secretary.

## **St GEORGE'S HAWTHORNE CEMETERY** Vestry report 2025

**BALANCE as of Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2025** **\$ 16,917.29**

### **RECEIPTS**

Care and Maintenance fund interest	\$ 760.75	
Admin fees, deed transfer, marking out etc.	\$ 0	
Burial fees for 5 burials	\$ 1,150.00	
Donations 25 receipted	\$ 15,070.00	
7 Non-receipted + cash	\$ 250.00	
Interest from 2 GIC's	\$ 412.50	
Plot sales x1	\$ 1,200.00	
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		+ <u>\$ 18,843.25</u>
<b>BALANCE plus Total Receipts</b>		<b>\$ 35,760.54</b>

### **EXPENSES**

Grass Cutting 6 x \$550	\$ 3,300.00	
Supplies for marking out, clean up day etc	\$ 40.66	
Maintenance and repairs	\$ 78.88	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		- <u>\$ 3,419.54</u>
<b>BALANCE as of December 31<sup>st</sup> 2025</b>		<b>\$ 32,341.00</b>

The Balance includes 1 x \$5,000 GIC maturing in May and 1 x \$15,000 GIC maturing November.

The Care and Maintenance Trust fund at TD Trust as of February 2025 was \$35,306.12

Respectfully submitted  
Margaret Bradford  
Treasurer

# **PARISH MINISTRY**

## **Outreach Ministries**

- Sponsors of the 101st Ottawa Scouting Group
- Donations for Heron Emergency Food Centre
- Winter Clothing Drive for Heron Emergency Shelter
- Next Generation: Free Community Meal
- Lenten Outreach Project: Doves for St George's College, Jerusalem
- Toiletry Drive for Cornerstone Housing for Women
- Host for Belong Ottawa's Ride for Refuge Fundraiser
- Advent Outreach Project: Treats for Gloucester Emergency Food Cupboard
- Community Christmas Concert for Heron Emergency Food Centre

### **Lenten Outreach Project: St George's College Jerusalem**

Our Lenten Project was in support of "Let Light Shine", an initiative of Bishop Shane Parker in support of St. George's College in Jerusalem. The college was struggling to keep its doors open and maintain its staff due to the ravages of the war. We sold paper doves for \$10 each as a sign of peace and our support. The doves were displayed on the ceiling of the Link and eventually made their way into the church. In total \$610 was raised for St. George's College.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Trickey

### **Advent Outreach Project: Gloucester Food Cupboard**

This year our priority was food security. As a parish we continued to support the Heron Road Food Centre with our Christmas Concert but looked to find other ways to support people in the community. We partnered with the Gloucester Emergency Food Cupboard who serves 575 families each month. They were going to provide Christmas Dinner for these families but were looking for some treats to add to the basics. We in turn donated things like candy, cookies, cake mixes and the like to add to their baskets. We also provided toiletries like shampoo and conditioner that they told us were a most requested item. Two car loads of donations were delivered to the food cupboard in time to be given to the families before Christmas. Thank you to everyone who donated to this most worthwhile project.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Trickey

## **Christian Education and Formation**

- Monthly Sunday School
- Lectionary Workshop: Proclamation of the Word, The What and The Why
- Snowflake Craft Workshop
- Lenten Bible Study with Martin Luther Church
- East Ottawa Deanery Workshop on Contextual Mission
- Next Generation: Faith on the Farm
- National Day of Truth and Reconciliation: Visit to Parliament Hill
- Book Study on *Desire of the Everlasting Hills* (Thomas Cahill)
- November Bible Study with Martin Luther Church
- Advent Retreat Day

### **Sunday School**

Sunday school is now being offered on the first Sunday of each month from September to June for children aged between 2 and 10. Children gather with two adult leaders in Lindisfarne Hall at the start of the church service and return to church and their parents in time for Communion. The curriculum includes Bible stories, crafts, games and discussions. Six sessions were held in 2025 beginning in May and excluding July and August. Eleven children are registered and the average attendance per session is 4 children. There are 6 leaders actively participating in delivering this program.

Respectfully submitted  
Christine Drinkwater

### **Lectionary Workshop: Understanding How the Readings Are Determined**

On March 1, 2025 eight parishioners took part in a workshop on how readings are determined for church services. Source material for the workshop was the book “Making the Most of the Lectionary” by Thomas O’Loughlin. This publication lists the sequence of readings for Advent and Christmas tide, for Lent and Eastertide and the balance of the year for the three years in the cycle of readings specified in the Revised Common Lectionary authorized for use in the Anglican Church of Canada. Participants gained an understanding of the how and why the scriptures are selected for each service.

### **Book Study: Desire of the Everlasting Hills by Thomas Cahill**

In the fall, ten parishioners participated in three sessions of the book study “Desire of the Everlasting Hills” by Thomas Cahill with five sessions scheduled for the spring of 2026. The first sessions focused on how Matthew and Mark viewed Jesus and the content of Paul’s letters the Galatians and the Corinthians. The sessions in 2026 will deal with Jesus as described in the Gospels of Luke and John. Through this study, participants gained a greater understanding of Jesus and the initial growth of the Christian church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter Martin

### **2025 Parish Photo Directory Report**

Parish Photo Directories offer a useful way to remember people's names, and to celebrate a specific moment in time at a parish. St Aidan's last Directory was 15 years ago, so we were overdue for a new one! With the support of Parish Council and the GIFT fund, we booked IPC Canada Photo Services to take the photos and prepare the finished copy. The photos were taken over 3 joyful days, with a total of 12 church groups, 55 households, 6 submitted photos, and 2 dogs! Everyone was delighted with their Parish Photo Directories, and grateful for the hard work that went into them; special thanks to Christine Stecyk for working with me on this project.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Bradford

### **Prayer Group**

St Aidan's prayer group gathers on the last Wednesday of each month at 11am in the church. Everyone is Welcome. We continue with our group prayer chain as well as these meetings. Your prayer requests are sent out to each of our 10 members who then pray for healing for you or your loved one. We have learned that many times in the Bible, God has changed the course of events because of prayer. (Isaiah 38. Story of Hezekiah)

Karen Mattioli 613-737-5434  
Barbara Allan 613-731-7350



# **WORSHIP**

## **Music Ministry**

As the music director, I am delighted to present an overview of our activities and accomplishments over the past year.

1. Weekly Meetings: Our choir meets every week, committed to regular practice and improvement. These sessions not only sharpen our skills but also foster a sense of community among the members. This year a few new members were welcomed into the choir.

2. Repertoire: We continue to explore and learn music spanning from the Baroque period to the modern era. Our choir embraces the challenge of mastering diverse styles, which enriches our musicality and broadens our horizons.

3. Dedication to Excellence: We take pride in our commitment to performing challenging pieces. Our members consistently request four-part harmonies, demonstrating their enthusiasm and passion for choral music.

4. Christmas Concert: This year's Christmas concert was a highlight of our calendar. The dedication and participation of our choir members made the event truly special, creating a memorable experience for both performers and attendees.

5. Friendly Atmosphere: Above all, our choir thrives in a healthy, supportive, and joyful environment. Laughter, camaraderie, and a shared love for music are at the heart of what we do.

Our journey as a choir is marked by growth, friendship, and the shared pursuit of musical excellence. Together, we celebrate the beauty of music and the joy it brings to our community.

Respectfully submitted,  
Téa Mamaladze

## **Altar Guild**

The Altar Guild is the ministry within the church dedicated to the care and preparation of the chancel and sanctuary for St Aidan's in-person and live-streamed services and events. We have 10 dedicated Altar Guild members working on a rotational basis, with one or more Altar Guild member on duty each Sunday morning to set-up the altar before the service and to clean up afterwards. Susan Burns-Simpson graciously completed these duties for the Wednesday in-person services. We welcomed Joan Harrison back this year after a short hiatus. We thank Reverend Rosemary Parker for her guidance. Our annual Altar Guild meeting was held on December 4th with Reverend Rosemary and the majority of our members in attendance. This year we voted to change from using wax candles (which are very expensive and caused issues when being lit or to have them stay lit) to everlasting candles. These new candles have a refillable canister to hold liquid paraffin and have a nylon wick for lighting. Though a costly investment up front, the new candles will always look stately and elegant on the altar. We welcomed a donation of a missal stand that was made and given to the late Father Matthew Borden. The esthetics of this wooden stand blends well with the brick wall. We are thankful for the generous donations to the altar guild and memorial flowers we received as well as the yearly interest from the Cicely Wilson Fund. The donations have allowed the Altar Guild to continue to purchase the supplies needed for the Eucharist such as wine, hosts, bread and candles and the floral decorations for liturgical events such as Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. The beautiful flower arrangements were prepared by Peter and purchased from Weekly Flowers. We received a good price from Kiwan Farms located at the corner of Hawthorne and Hunt Club Roads for the premium 9-foot balsam tree, including delivery, and plenty of fresh boughs for the Advent wreath. Thank you to Reverend Rosemary, the dedicated Altar Guild members and friends who provided assistance this year, all of which culminated to another wonderful year.

### **Financial Statement 2025**

<b>BALANCE as of January 1, 2025</b>		<b>\$ 2,606.58</b>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
Memorial Flower & Other Donations*	\$ 1,310.00	
Interest – C. Wilson Memorial Fund	\$ 516.92	
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>+ \$ 1,826.92</b>
<b>Balance plus Total Receipts</b>		<b>\$ 4,433.50</b>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>		
Bread hosts, Wine, Candles & Supplies	\$ 1,933.10	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>- \$ 1,933.10</b>
<b>BALANCE as of December 31, 2025**</b>		<b>\$ 2,500.40</b>

\* Amount is based on the counters' recording of Altar Guild monies received through memorial donations throughout the year.

\*\* The Altar Guild Reserve on the general ledger does not agree with the balance shown above as the Altar Guild does not account for the HST rebate credit.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Talbot President/Treasurer, Altar Guild January 19, 2026

# **FUNDING MINISTRIES**

## **Annual Spring Blessing Fundraiser**

Our annual spring fundraiser was held over four weeks in May and June and featured Celtic Crosses. Parishioners purchased a cross and then wrote what they were thankful for on the cross. The crosses were then displayed in the Link for all to enjoy. The project raised \$990. Thank you to everyone who helped to sell the crosses.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Trickey

## **Yuletide Bazaar**

The annual Yuletide Bazaar was held this year on November 15. This was 2 weeks later than the traditional date of the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in November. This timing appears to work well. Thanks to the support of so many in the congregation, the Bazaar was very successful. There was a good turnout from both St. Aidan's people and the local community. The amount raised was \$11,402. Special thanks to those who took on the responsibility for the various "tables" within the Bazaar. Janet Talbot organized The Café and her team provided delicious snacks and lunch. Precille Goodrich took on the Bake Table which had a lot of traffic. Debbie Trickey was in charge of the Jams and Preserves. Dave Stewart oversaw the Pick-a-Prize table. Nancy Gover and Les Cooper took on the Books and Puzzles. Ria Cooper managed the ever-expanding Boutique tables. Leslie MacDonald Hicks took on the of organizing the Online Auction while Katherine Noel managed the in-person Silent Auction. This was the second year for the Odds & Sods table. There were a lot of donations that were appropriate for this "table" and the entire Choir room area was needed to display them. There was a lot of traffic and sales in this area. Paul Gover looked after the cash management and Stephen Talbot was much appreciated for overseeing set up and clean up of the Bazaar generally.

Respectfully submitted  
Chris Drinkwater, Bazaar Convenor

## **Rental Report**

Rental Income for 2025 was \$39,759, which was an excellent result. Unfortunately, our budget target of \$45,000 was not reached.

The top three tenants by income were as follows:

Ottawa Public Health	\$14,700
Kiwanis	\$13,570
National Capital First Aid	\$3,668

Two significant developments occurred this year. First, a long-term tenant, "Addicts helping Addicts, ended their relationship with us after their group membership declined. Second, a city by-law officer noticed that we were offering parking rentals. According to city zoning regulations, as confirmed by the Diocese, this is not permitted. As a result, we advised those renting parking spaces and we have lost the associated income. On a more positive side, \$2147 was received this year for the federal and provincial elections. We have implemented redeveloped content on the St Aidan's website including photos of our rental spaces and our price list. As well, we have improved the signage advertising our rental space. Council has proposed a budget of \$45,000 for 2026. This is an ambitious target and unless we obtain more long-term group rentals it will be difficult to meet. For this reason, we are appealing to all parishioners to help us find additional tenants. We will prepare handouts to use to assist parishioners in this endeavour. Please join us in helping us reach our objective.

For further information, please contact Phil Charko, Rental Manager or Sandra Busby, Office Administrator.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Phil Charko

# PROPERTY

## Report on Church Property

**Building Envelope:** There were no major concerns with the roof, walls, or foundations in 2025.

**Electrical:** The ground fault detector on the outside socket beside the rector's office was replaced to allow use of Christmas lighting. Stephen Talbot replaced the lights over the courtyard.

**Fire Security:** We passed the inspection by Viking Fire Protection after replacing an outdated battery pack.

**Grounds Maintenance and Snow Removal:** Sunshine Maintenance continues to provide great service for lawns and snow removal and responds quickly to any concerns. In the fall, we once again had a great turn out to collect leaves and tidy up the lawns for winter. Stephen Talbot and Bill Wicker did a great job of trimming the shrubs. Stephen covered the gardens in mulch which really improved their appearance. Claire Chapdelaine again coordinated a group of volunteers to maintain the flowers.

**Plumbing:** Aging taps in the ground floor washroom were repaired at a very good price by Guillaume Gratton.

**Building Security:** We currently have four security cameras monitoring the entrances and east wall. They are battery powered and connected via Wi-Fi. This summer we installed solar chargers on two of the cameras which worked well in the warm weather but have been struggling with the cold. We will continue to search for solutions.

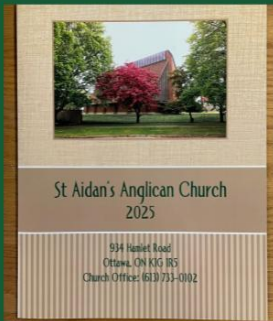
**HVAC:** This system is old and continues to cause trouble. The boilers appear to be solid and dependable. The air handling unit to heat the worship space has old digital controls which are very hard to program but have been working dependably. The starter for the motor for the air handler needs to have a new part installed, but the current service provider has been unable to complete the task. The controls for both boilers use compressed air to open and close valves. The compressor was repaired this year and seems to be working well. New digital controls were installed in the upper and lower halls but are not functioning properly. Two heat pump units were installed in the upper hall which transformed the comfort level in the summer months and provided needed supplementary heat in this past cold snap.

We will continue to work with the current contractor to resolve the issues listed above.

Respectfully submitted,  
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