St Aidan's, Elmvale

The Anglican Diocese of Ottawa

All Saints' Day

November 1, 2026

Welcome to St. Aidan's--we are blessed by your presence today! Hymns are found in the blue "Common Praise" book.
We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg People.

The Gathering of the Community

Hymn 274: Here From All Nations, All Tongues

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Almighty God, **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden.**
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the mystical Body of your Son, grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from Revelation

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."
REVELATION 7:9-17
Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

I will bless the Lord at all times; **the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.**
I will glory in the Lord; **let the humble hear and rejoice.**
Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; **let us exalt the name of God together.**
I sought the Lord, who answered me **and delivered me out of all my terror.**
Look upon God and be radiant, **and let not your faces be ashamed.**
I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me **and saved me from all my troubles.**
The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear God **and will deliver them.**
Taste and see that the Lord is good; **happy are they who trust in God!**
Fear the Lord, you holy ones of God, **for those who fear God lack nothing.**
The young lions lack and suffer hunger, **but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.**
O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants, **and none will be punished who trust in you.**

A Reading from First John

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.
1 JOHN 3:1-3
Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Procession (SANC 189): **Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

The Holy Gospel

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."
MATTHEW 5:1-12
The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Litany of the Saints

Creed Hymn 44

The Prayers of the People

Response: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for Lynn, Sandra, Terence, Jenn, Kathryn, Chris, Bill, Jennifer, Sharron.

We give thanks for the life of Peggy Carss. May she rest in peace, and rise in glory.

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Hymn 281: Who Are These Like Stars Appearing

Thank you for your support by PAR, E-Transfers, or Envelopes. Tax Receipts for Offerings over $20. Scan code to donate:

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer Three

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us
with so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship,
may run with patience the race that is set before us,
and together with them receive the crown of glory that never fades away.
Therefore with angels and archangels and with all who have served you
in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name. *(Sung)* ***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.*** [...]

Therefore, God, according to his command, **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming glory;** [...]

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, **who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst." **Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, Bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Redeemer, Redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Communion

For Communion from the Pews, tell our Sidesperson, or raise your hand; otherwise, Communion is offered at Altar Rail.

Prayer after Communion

Lord of hosts, we praise your glory reflected in your saints. May we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Glory to God**, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.**
Glory to God, from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

May God give you and all those you love God's peace and joy, in this world and the next; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn (SANC 88, Tune: CP 276): Give Thanks For Life

1. Give thanks for life, the measure of our days;
mortal we pass through beauty that decays,
yet sing to God, our hope, our love, our praise:
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

2. Give thanks for those who made their life a light,
caught from the Christ flame, bursting through the night,
who touched the truth, who burned for what is right:
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

3. And for our own, our living and our dead,
thanks for the love by which our life is fed,
love not changed by time or death or dread:
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

4. Give thanks for hope, that like the wheat, the grain,
lying in darkness, does its life retain,
in resurrection to grow green again: Hallelujah, hallelujah!

After worship, all are welcome to Coffee Time in Lindisfarne Hall!

St Aidan's Mission: Christ's mission is St Aidan's mission! But what do we have at our disposal to carry out that mission? Join us during Coffee Time today to brainstorm our physical, economic, people, congregation, and partnership assets. If you know someone who you think has detailed knowledge of the parish or our church building, please invite them to participate.

Fall Clean Up Day - November 7 at 12:00 pm: Please bring your rakes, gloves, and yard bags, as St Aidan's rakes up our leaves and prepares our property for winter!

Coffee Time Meeting: There will be a brief Meeting in the Kitchen for all Coffee Time Volunteers on Sunday, November 8th after the service. Thanks to everyone for making this important ministry possible, and to Ruth Alberts for serving as our Coordinator!

Yuletide Bazaar: The Online Auction goes "live" today November 1st at 8am! Visit www.staidansottawa.com for the link to the Auction site. Tell all your friends about it too. In-person Bazaar Day is only 2 weeks away (Nov 14)! There are still many spots open on the Volunteer Sign Up sheets in the link. We need a lot of people to make the Bazaar a success. If you have a few hours on Saturday Nov 14, please consider signing up. There are containers for baking on the table outside Lindisfarne Hall. Donations for the Bake Table should be brought in on Friday November 13. Contact Chris Drinkwater (Christine.drinkwater@gmail.com or 613-371-0716) for more information.

St Aidan's 2026-2027 Book Study: This year we will be reading Finding God in All the Wrong People by Nadia Bolz-Weber. There will be 8 sessions, 3 before Christmas and 5 in the new year, on Saturday mornings. Please speak with Peter Martin to learn more!

St Aidan's Monthly Sunday School! Sunday School will be held in the Hall on the 2nd Sunday of each month: November 8th.

Coping with Grief and Loss Workshop: Saturday, November 28 at 10:00 am. Join St Aidan's and volunteers from Epiphany as we learn about life after loss, and reflect together on how to live with grief. If you are interested or plan to attend, please let Rev. Rosemary know.

All are welcome on Wednesdays for BCP Eucharist at 10:00 am, and/or Coffee Time at 10:30 am!

Celebrant: Rev. Rosemary Parker
Music Director: Téa Mamaladze
Reader: Bolanle Balogun
Intercessor: Ruth Alberts
Server: Katherine Banda
Lay Administrator: Dave Stewart
Greeter: Cathy Green
Sidespeople: Lois Wynn

St Aidan's, Elmvale Acres
The Anglican Diocese of Ottawa
934 Hamlet Rd., Ottawa ON, K1G 1S9
Office: 613-733-0102 or staidans.ottawa@outlook.com
Office Hours**:** Please contact.
Bishop: The Right Reverend Kathryn Otley
Rev. Rosemary Parker: 613-733-1509 or rev.rparker@outlook.com
Wardens: Claire Chapdelaine and Phil Charko