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Our next 'print' newsletter is due out the weekend of September 29/30th. Deadline for articles is Sunday, September 16th.

Please send by email to: the Church Office
info@parishofstlawrence.org

COMMITTEES/GROUP SCHEDULE

RECORDERS	Thursdays at 10 am
SUNDAY SUPPER	Sunday, Sept. 2nd - 3:30- 5:30 pm
MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP	Saturday Sept. 8th -9 am at Bobby's in Prescott
ACW	Monday Sept. 10th -1:30 pm
CHOIR PRACTICE	Tuesdays at 7 pm—starts Sept. 11th
ORDER OF ST. LUKE	Friday, Sept. 14th — after Litany of Reconciliation and Eucharist
WORSHIP COMMITTEE	Wednesday Sept.19th— 7 pm
CHIMERS PRACTICE	Thursdays at 4 pm—starts Sept 20th
ALTAR GUILD	Sept. 26th— after 10:30 am Eucharist
OUTREACH COMMITTEE	Wed. Sept.26th—2 pm
PARISH COUNCIL	Wed. Sept. 26th—7 pm
POST ALPHA	Thursday October 4th —1:30 pm

Hello from St. John the Baptist, Lyn:



As summer comes to an end, we reflect on the various events that have happened, or will happen in the fall.

Our summer officially began with our combined picnic service. It was lovely to see how so many St. Lawrence members of the congregation joined us. We were especially glad that no bees were with us! This was a relief that the problem has been solved.

It was so nice to welcome Father George (and Cynthia) to conduct our services for July and the first weekend of August.

Our church hall had a new door and windows put in, which will make it much easier to enter and leave! Another major project for some wonderful volunteers from the congregation was to clean out our basement which was invaded by some kind of rodent earlier in the year. The dumpster was soon filled up with a lot of debris, and our unwanted squirrel was kept out! A future project is to have the walkway replaced into the church hall.

It is excellent to have Father Mike back with us. We look forward to the fall. Plans are underway for a combined Remembrance Day service with Christ Church United, Lyn. There will be a special ceremony at the Lyn cenotaph.

Also, our wonderful ACW pie ladies will start up again, probably in mid October. They welcome your orders! In addition, they plan to have the annual craft and plant sale in late November.

We hope you enjoy the rest of the amazing summer weather we have had, and we look forward to a beautiful fall season!

Christine Wilson



FROM MICHAEL

Dear Friends

We are set to begin another busy Fall here at St. Lawrence and St. John's.

This is a Synod year in the diocese and members from both our churches will be representing us at these meetings. Synod will be dealing with a number of significant issues including a new constitution and canons, possible changes to our method of assessment, the blessing of the marriages of same sex couples and other usual items such as the budget and Camp Hyanto. It will be a full agenda. Synod takes place November 1-3. Please pray for our delegates and for others leading and attending these important meetings.

Our Delegates are:

St. Lawrence

Carmen Gottfried

Shirley Powers

Norma Asbury

Carol Potter

Elaine Clifton

Alternates:

Judith Woodcock

St. John's

Robert Bolton

Syd Bolton

Dorothy Lapierre

Doris Armstrong

Another item that affects both our congregations is the issue of service times for the Fall. In February Fr. George officially retired as the associate priest of the parish. We are grateful for all that he did over 7 years in that position. This change in personnel required some rethinking about our regular worship schedule and the reality of a single clergy person doing Sunday worship. During the Spring I continued a revised three service schedule on Sundays - 7:45 and 10:30 at St. Lawrence and 9am at St. John's. This schedule was challenging and I often found myself leaving services early or arriving late and little opportunity to visit with people. Ultimately our hope was that by the Fall we would have either a new associate or curate to assist in the parish. That has not happened and as a result we are having to rethink our Sunday schedule yet again. I am able, on the short term, to continue to do 3 services most Sundays but I cannot do that running back and forth from St. Lawrence to St. John's as I did in the Spring. To make it possible to continue to offer 3 services on Sunday our Fall service times will be 7:45 and 9:30 at St. Lawrence and 11am at St. John's. This is not a permanent solution but a necessary change for the time being. We continue to have conversation with the bishop about extra clergy support for the parish and anticipate that will happen. Other solutions for the schedule were more

difficult and challenging. I would remind everyone that we do have other opportunities to worship on a weekly basis including Wednesdays at 10:30 am and every 2nd Friday at noon. If you find our new schedule difficult I encourage you to join us at one of these services or to visit your sister congregation if a different Sunday service time is better. We hope that members of the parish will help to make this work as other plans come together.

At St. Lawrence, along with the regular start up of groups and committees, we are planning some special events and programs. Of particular note is the work being planned with M & M Consulting. In my annual vestry report I suggested that we were at a time in the parish's life where we needed to begin talking and thinking about what we believe the direction of our ministry should be over the next few years. I said that recognising that we had accomplished much over the last 10 years, but, also feeling that we did not have a clear picture of where we are going into the future. At our annual vestry we approved in principal entering into a pilot project in partnership with the diocese that would help us discern our future ministry and how we would accomplish our plans. In June the Parish Advisory Council approved a motion to contract with M & M Consulting to assist us with that work. Beginning this Fall we will begin to explore together where we believe God is calling us and how we will get there. I hope everyone, as you have opportunity, will be a part of this process as we move forward in Mission and Ministry.

Also, this Fall we will be co-hosting a concert with our friends from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. The concert will take place on Tuesday October 9th. More details will be available in early September.

At St. John's we have been preparing for a number of activities for the Fall including looking at more regular sharing with out neighbours at Christ United. In August we had a conversation with a couple of folks from Christ United who are looking at their future and are engaging with other churches and community groups to explore those relationships and to see what we might do to support one another in ministry to the community. We will have an opportunity to share together on November 11th when members of Christ United will join us for worship and the cenotaph service. For other items I encourage you to read the Lyn notes section of the newsletter.

I look forward to the Fall and the opportunities we will have for worship and for service. I hope you all enjoy these last days of summer.

Blessings

Michael

CLERGY SCHEDULE

Sept. 2nd	9 am Service at St. Lawrence and 10:30 am at St. John's
Sept. 5th	10:30 am Wednesday Eucharist
Sept. 7th	Rosedale Manor Communion Service Litany of Reconciliation
Sept. 8th	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Sept. 9th	7:45 & 9:30 am services at St. Lawrence 11 am Service at St. John's 2 pm Service at St. Lawrence Lodge
Sept. 11th	Sherwood Park Manor Communion
Sept. 12th	10:30 am Wednesday Eucharist
Sept. 14th	Litany of Reconciliation Holy Eucharist and Healing Prayer Order of St. Luke
Sept. 16th	7:45 & 9:30 am services at St. Lawrence 11 am Service at St. John's
Sept. 18th	Clericus 7 pm Pre-Synod meeting at Oak Leaf
Sept. 19th	10:30 Wednesday Eucharist & Healing Prayer Worship Committee
Sept. 21st	Bridlewood Manor Communion Service Litany of Reconciliation
Sept. 23rd	7:45 & 9:30 am services at St. Lawrence 11 am Service at St. John's
Sept. 25th	Wedgewood Retirement Centre Communion
Sept. 26th	Wednesday morning Eucharist Altar Guild meeting Outreach Committee meeting Parish Council meeting
Sept. 28th	Litany of Reconciliation
Sept. 30th	7:45 & 9:30 am services at St. Lawrence 11 am Service at St. John's

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

September 2nd—summer schedule of 9 am

**Starting September 9th - 7:45 am & 9:30 am at St. Lawrence
11 am at St. John the Baptist in Lyn**

SUNDAYS

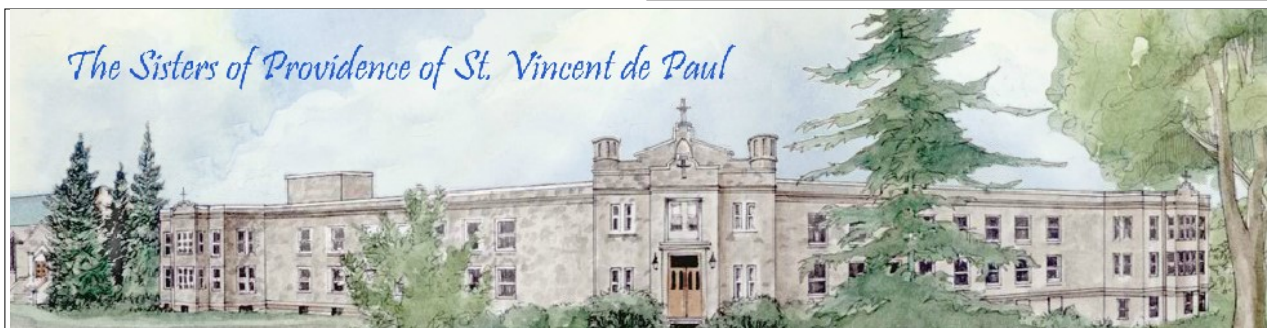
Sept. 9	Pentecost 16
Sept. 16	Holy Cross Day
Sept. 23	St. Matthew
Sept. 30	St. Michael and All Angels Healing Prayer
Oct. 7	Thanksgiving Healing Prayer
Oct. 14	Pentecost 21
Oct. 21	Pentecost 22
Oct. 28	Pentecost 23 Healing Prayer

WEDNESDAYS 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (St. Lawrence)

Sept. 5	1st Anglican Eucharist in Canada
Sept. 12	Bishop Cyprian
Sept. 19	Theodore of Tarsus Healing Prayer
Sept. 26	Lancelot Andrewes
Oct. 3	St. Francis
Oct. 10	Paulinus
Oct. 17	St. Luke Healing Prayer
Oct. 24	James of Jerusalem

FRIDAYS 12 noon Litany of Reconciliation

Sept. 14	Holy Eucharist and Healing Prayer
Oct. 12th	Holy Eucharist and Healing Prayer



ACW Annual Retreat

September 17 & 18, 2018 at Providence House, Kingston

Registration: 9:00am September 17, 2018

Cost is \$85.00 (includes all meals and one night accommodation)

Deadline for registration is August 30th.

Please contact Margie Mulvihill at 613-342-3281 or margiemulvihill@gmail.com

PARISH EVENTS

ACW

Our ladies didn't meet over the summer but did come together to host a funeral reception on July 23rd for Isabel Elks. Thank you to all who helped and donated food.

On August 25th eighteen parishioners went to Morrisburg for lunch and to see Plaza Suite at the Upper Canada Playhouse. The playhouse gave us the tickets free of charge as a charity fundraiser so after those attending paid for their ticket we were able to give \$575 to the St. Lawrence Social Service Fund.



Our first business meeting this fall will be held on Sept. 10th at 1:30 p.m. and all women of the parish are invited to join us. The ACW Annual Retreat will be held at Providence Spiritual Centre in Kingston on Sept. 17th & 18th. A number of our ladies registered to attend.

The ACW Regional meeting will be held Oct. 2nd at St. Mary's, Newboro, with the help of the women of St. Paul's, Westport. If you wish to attend please pre-register by Sept. 20th. The cost of the day is \$12.00 and is to be paid as you register. Those attending will car pool to Newboro. Please contact Jo Anne Dudgeon if you plan to go. (342-8637)



Our fall rummage sale will be held on Saturday, October 13th from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Please bring donations of clean clothing (fall & winter only); small household items, books, games, sports equipment, toys, etc. to the hall on Friday, October 12th between 2 & 6 p.m. If you are able to help with the set-up of tables, clothing racks, etc. please come to the large hall at 1 p.m. Friday. As usual we would appreciate help packing up any leftover items at 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

The ACW oversees Sunday fellowship time but volunteers come from the congregation at large. We presently have 8 groups who take turns being 'on duty' after the 2nd service each Sunday. Both men and women are welcome and if you are not able to make a commitment to being scheduled every two months, but are willing to be on a spare list, to fill in for anyone who cannot be there on their scheduled day, please let Jo Anne Dudgeon know.



MUSIC

The choir, chimers, and recorders are getting ready for the fall—practice days and times are on front page. If you would like to be part of the music ministry ***we would love to have you!*** Contact: Jeff at 613.498.6276 or jreusing@sympatico.ca

ALTAR GUILD



The Altar Guild prepares the Church for weekly services, weddings, baptisms, and funerals, by dusting and cleaning the sanctuary, caring for and changing the linens, polishing the silver and brass and arranging the flowers. We are grateful for the contributions of parishioners for floral memorials all through the year as well as at Christmas and Easter. The standard contribution ranges from \$100.00 to \$125.00 through winter months when we are ordering through The Flower Shop. Our summer and early fall flowers come from Brokor Flowers on the local market. For just \$75.00no tax... beautiful cut flowers are delivered to the Church to be arranged by Altar Guild members each Saturday for the following Sunday and Wednesday services. None of the five Sundays in September have Memorial Altar flowers. If you and your family wish to remember family or friends on one of these Sundays, please call Pat Marshall613 865 7922 or Wendy in the Church office at 613 345 5717.

Altar Guild meets fourth Wednesday each month beginning with Wednesday September 26th, immediately following the 10.30 service. It is a good time for new members to start. Come to the meeting and learn what we do.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

We are so thankful for your attendance at our events, your contributions to our fundraisers, your gifts of time and talent to welcoming our newcomers and to feeding the needy in our community.



Annual PWRDF Walk: Saturday, September 29th, starting at 9:30. Pledge forms are available from John Groves or the Church office

Sunday Suppers: September 2nd marks the 127th Sunday Supper. We are in need of a few more pairs of helping hands on these Supper days (the first Sunday of each month). Please contact John Groves or Wendy at the church office.



PEWS AVAILABLE

This Fall we will be removing the pews from the Chapel of the Holy Spirit. We are doing this to make the room more multifunctional for worship and other programs.

As a result, we are offering the 4 pews from the chapel to members of the parish on a first come first served basis. If you are interested in one of the pews please contact the church office.



This fall will see changes take place starting in September.

Your Prayer Team will be available to pray with you, for you, or for your requests ;
every **FIRST, FOURTH and FIFTH Sundays** of the month, at the 9:30 Service,
each **SECOND Friday** of the month following Reconciliation at 12 noon, and
every **THIRD Wednesday** at the 10:30 Service.

Every week offers an opportunity for healing prayer, please check your church bulletin, or call the Church Office for details.

ORDER OF ST. LUKE

The Order of St. Luke will meet on Friday September 14th/18 following the Reconciliation Prayers at noon.



The focus for our session will be Chapter IV-Book Two. Just a reminder to look at the questions at the end of the chapter.

Judith Woodcock, OSL Convenor

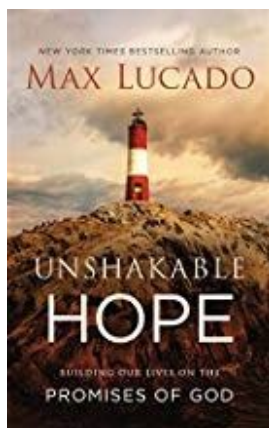
POST-ALPHA

The fall study will run October 4th to November 15th on Thursdays, 1:30 to 3:30 pm, in the small Hall.

'UNSHAKABLE HOPE' by Max Lucado

Many believe this world is as good as it gets, but people of the Promise have an advantage—because God's promises are unbreakable, our hope is unshakable.

This study will be guided by Max's book and DVD. The group will meet in prayer, read, discuss, enjoy refreshments, and close in prayer.



Come and join us, everyone is welcome!

For more information contact Judith Woodcock.

CHRISTIAN PASTORAL CARE

Mission Statement

"If you love one another, people will know you are my disciples".

In response to Jesus' command to love one another, the Saint Lawrence Pastoral Care Team supports members of our congregation and the community who are in need physically and emotionally, through prayer, visitation and fellowship.

Eucharistic services resumed in August at the Nursing Homes and Retirement Centres. St. Lawrence Lodge has continued throughout the summer on the second Sunday of the month at 2 pm. If you have loved ones or friends in any of these facilities you are welcome to join our services.

Hospital visits have been made weekly at Charles Street site and as necessary at Garden Street.

Home Communion has continued throughout the summer, with a very good response from our parishioners who are unable to attend church.



The Prayer Circle and Healing Prayers are ongoing. Many people have shared with our members how much the daily prayers have helped them through stressful times.

We certainly could use more volunteers. We have many different group activities that people can become part of. Examples of this are: the Prayer Circle group; assisting at nursing homes and retirement homes; hospital visitation; telephone contacts; and home visitations. With more members involved we can better support those in need within our church family and community.

Watch the bulletins for a date for Pastoral Care meeting, possible in October.

It is very rewarding to me personally to be part of such a special ministry.



Respectfully submitted
Shirley Powers