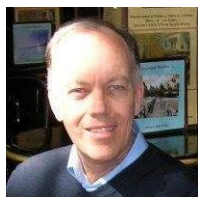




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We wish to extend a very warm welcome to our new priests: Archdeacon Ralph Leavitt and Revd. Nicholas Pang.



"One of the most exciting things for me is that I will be with you in the PLL from time to time. God bless us all in this new model of ministry. Welcome Nick. "



"The Lord be with you! I'm quite excited to be joining you all at this significant moment in time up in the Laurentians and to exploring its gorgeous countryside. See you soon!"

Contact Information:

Priests:

The Venerable Ralph Leavitt (Archdeacon)
819-326-2146

Revd. Nicholas Pang
450-562- 2917

For funerals, weddings and baptisms:

Contact Revd. Pang or one of our Lay Readers:
Gail, Hugh or Wendy

Lay Readers in the PLL:

Gail Turnbull – 450-533-4914

Hugh Mitchell – 450-562-9249

Wendy Crooks – 450-562-6381

If someone needs support, contact **Wendy** and she will arrange for a visit.

Service Schedule

July 5

St. Aidan's – 11 am - HC

St. Paul's – 7 pm – HC

July 12 - Joint Service

St. Paul's – 2 pm –

Beach Service – see notice au verso

Holy Trinity – 7:30 pm – Classical Music

July 19

St. Aidan's – 11 am – MP

St. Paul's – 4 pm – HC

July 26

Christ Church – 11 am – HC

Holy Trinity – 11 am – MP

St. Paul's – 7 pm – EP

Holy Trinity– 7:30 pm – Classical Music

August 2

St. Aidan's - 11 am – HC

St. Paul's – 7 pm – EP

August 9

Christ Church – 11 am – MP

Holy Trinity – 11 am – HC

St. Paul's – 7 pm – EP

Holy Trinity– 7:30 pm – Classical Music

August 16

St. Aidan's – 11 am – MP

St. Paul's – 7 pm - HC

August 23

Christ Church – 11 am – HC

Holy Trinity – 11 am – MP

St. Paul's – 7 pm – EP

Holy Trinity– 7:30 pm – Classical Music

August 30 - Joint Service

Holy Trinity – 11 am – Musical Celebration

HC = Holy Communion MP = Morning Prayer EP = Evening Prayer



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A New Model of Ministry in the Laurentians

This month marks the beginning of a new model for the delivery of ministry in ten Anglican Churches in the Laurentians: **Grace Church** - Arundel, **Holy Trinity Church** - Ste Agathe, **Trinity Church** - Morin Heights, **St. Francis of the Birds Church** - St. Sauveur, **Christ Church** - Mille Isles, **Holy Trinity Church** - Lakefield, **St. Aidan's Church** - Louisa/Wentworth, **St. Paul's Church** - Dunany, **St. Simeon's Church** - Lachute and **St. John the Baptist in the Wilderness Church** - Kilkenny.

These ten churches will share the services of two full time priests, the Venerable Ralph Leavitt and the Reverend Nicholas Pang. Both have been appointed by the Bishop. The churches will also be supported by ten Lay Readers/Lay Leaders. All members of this ministry team will rotate throughout the region to provide Sunday services. Archdeacon Ralph Leavitt will live in Ste. Agathe and Revd. Nicholas Pang in Lachute, each in a church rectory, supported financially by the ten churches. As we have been doing in the PLL, all churches will contribute a given amount to finance this arrangement. The hope is that each church's overall costs will be reduced compared to what we have been paying for many years where each parish hired its own priest for varying percentages of time.

Apart from this, life should continue much as it has. Each church will continue to look after its own affairs and make its own decisions, just as we do in the PLL. As members of the PLL, we have already had several years of working with a similar model and so the adjustment should be a little easier for us than for congregations who have been accustomed to having a full time priest.

This new regional ministry is in its infancy and will require patience and accommodation from everyone. Change is never easy – especially for Anglicans, I am told. ☺ Service times have changed in most churches in an attempt to allow the priests sufficient travel time from their first service on a Sunday to their second. We will have to see how things work out and modify where necessary. It is new to all of us and so it is a work in progress.

We pray that the spirit of generosity and family that has emerged in the PLL over the past few years will be present and encourage a similar sense of cooperation and fellowship among this new grouping of churches.

Upcoming Events

Concert at Holy Trinity Church, Lakefield



July 11 at 8 pm
MG3 – Montreal Guitar Trio

For **tickets** call: Linda Cass-Jones – 450-562-9620

Or Hugh Mitchell – 450-562-9249

\$20 presale/\$25 at the door. Children under 12 free

Annual Beach Service



July 12 at 2 pm
Joint PLL service
Hosted by St. Paul's, Dunany
at

The home of the Gloven's
2004 Dunany Road if sunny

Or
At the Dunany Golf course if rainy