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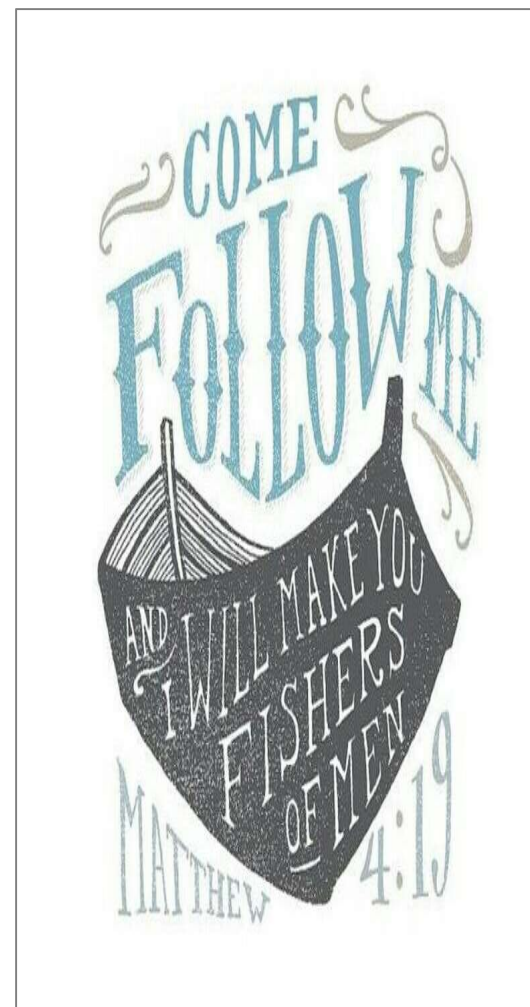


St. Gregory the Great Roman Catholic Church

7 Church Street
Picton, ON K0K 2T0
(613) 476-6276
www.st-gregory-picton.ca

St. Frances of Rome Church (Summer Mission)
67 Belleville Street, Wellington ON K0K 3L0
Weekend Mass will resume in May 2026

January 25, 2026
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our Mission: We are a Catholic Parish in Prince Edward County committed to proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Our Vision: To foster Christian Stewardship as a "Way of Life" in which individuals more fully live their baptismal call to discipleship through intentional, planned, proportionate giving of time, talent and treasure in response to God's generosity.

Parish Hours

Daily Mass
Monday No Mass
Tuesday* - Thursday 12:30 PM
Friday** 8:30 AM
* Refer to weekly bulletin for any changes
** Adoration and Exposition follows Friday Masses

Weekend Mass
Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 10:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Daily - phone the office

Office Hours
Tuesday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Parish Contacts

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*A Catholic community of faith in
Prince Edward County since 1836*

2025 Financial Overview

The below chart provides financial information to show the parish income and expenses for 2025. Income includes offertory collections and other sources of income, such as votive candles, miscellaneous donations (e.g. flowers, repair and maintenance, Masses), gift shop purchases. Expenses include bills to pay (e.g. gas, hydro, water, phone), salaries, property taxes, church and altar supplies, office supplies, etc.

Excluded from the income numbers are the special fundraising donations for the church steps. Excluded from the expenses will be any construction costs for this project.

Parish Financials Overview January - December 2025


Income	\$240,608
Expenses	\$235,913
Net	\$4,695

Thank you for your continued generosity!





Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 25, 2026


MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Jan. 26 NO MASS
Tuesday, Jan 27 **Kathleen Stoddard, RIP**
 10:00 AM at *McFarland* Josephine Stoddard
Wednesday, Jan 28
 12:30 PM – *School Mass*
Thursday, Jan. 29 **SI Jennifer Gannon**
 12:30 PM Liz Brown
Friday, Jan. 30 **Carol Gannon, RIP**
 8:30 AM Alf Gannon & Family
 Followed by Exposition & Adoration
1:00 PM  **Funeral Mass for Lenore Bongard**
Preceded by visitation at 11:00 AM
Saturday, Jan. 31 **Peter Sundquist, RIP**
 5:00 PM Bea Papiz
Sunday, Feb. 1
 10:00 AM **For the People of Our Parish**

Prayer Requests

 Pray for the sick and homebound of our Parish.

 Pray for the repose of the souls of:
 Mary Lenore Bongard
 Liz (Lehigh) Rogerson

 Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of:
 Joy McDermott

Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas – January 28th



Over the 2,000-year history of Catholicism, Thomas Aquinas is among the greatest theologians and philosophers the Church has known. Many believe his intellectual contribution to be unmatched. His theological treatise *Summa Theologica* is still read in universities across the world.

Brilliant as he was, Thomas was intimately aware of two important truths that elude many great minds.

The first was this: The longest journey we make is from the head to the heart. It is a spiritual journey, a pilgrimage of prayer. We think of the heart as emotional, and it is, but it is also deeply spiritual.

This was the second: There is a vast difference between knowing about God and knowing God.

Saint Thomas Aquinas wasn't just a brilliant mind. He was a man driven by a deep love for God. He was a man of deep prayer. And at the very centre of his life, the source of his wisdom and joy, was the Eucharist. The same man who used Aristotelian philosophy to define Transubstantiation—the moment the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ—could hardly speak at times during the Mass because he was so moved when he participated in the actual miracle.

Thomas Aquinas' example invites us to ask some powerful questions about our own lives: Am I living my life from the mind? Am I living my life from the heart? Or have I found the delicate balance between the heart and the mind where love and wisdom reside?

And most importantly: Do I know about God or do I truly know God?—Dynamic Catholic



2026 Offertory Envelopes

There are still a number of uncollected Offertory Envelope boxes at the back of the church. Envelopes are in alphabetical order by surname. While some belong to summer visitors and will be collected in the summer, quite a few belong to regular parishioners. Please collect your Offertory Envelopes by the end of January to help us clear the area. If you see your box but do not wish to use Offertory Envelopes, simply let the parish office know and your box will be recycled. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping the entrance to our church tidy.

2025 Tax Receipts

Thank you to everyone who makes an offertory donation to our parish. Your generosity is truly appreciated. Please note that your 2025 parish tax receipts are being processed and will be available for pick up at the back of the church by mid-February. They will be sorted in alphabetical order by surname for you to pick up. Tax receipts not picked up by February 23rd will then be mailed.



Archdiocese of Kingston 200th Anniversary Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

I rejoiced when they said to me "Let us go to the house of the Lord" (Psalm 122:1)

Join Father Justin Pulikunnel and Father Brian Price on a faith-filled pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 5–15, 2026. Walk in the footsteps of Our Blessed Lord, deepen your understanding of Sacred Scripture, and experience prayer, mercy, healing, and spiritual renewal in the places where the Word became flesh. Space is limited to 40 pilgrims, with 13 already reserved, so early registration is encouraged. Copies of the itinerary and pricing, as well as registration and contact information, can be found on the flyers on the shelf at the back of the church.



CWL Annual Report 2025

Members added vibrancy to the parish by hosting 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care, Living Rosaries on Mary's feast days, a prayer service to mark Orange Shirt Day, Soctober collection of socks, hats & mitts, Mass and prayer service for deceased members, pre-Christmas silent auction & bake sale and a Christmas luncheon collecting of items for Alternatives for Women.

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, we were able to donate to: Catholic Missions in Canada, Catholic Near East Welfare Association, Development & Peace and Coady Institute (\$100 each), \$200 children's sacramental preparation, \$60 RIP Masses for members, \$300 bursaries to graduating students from Nicholson Catholic College and St. Gregory's school.

Members wrote letters to government about the plight of women & children in Gaza, and opposition to MAiD. Ours is a happy, involved council of Catholic women, you are most welcome to join us! Call Liz Brown 613 399 5725.

"Faith allows us to overcome obstacles that reason cannot." – St Thomas Aquinas