

can often sit in to observe but cannot speak unless invited and cannot vote.

How do I become a member of the Parish?: If you are baptized, attend services regularly, support the parish financially, and are on the parish list then you are a member of the parish. To get onto the parish list, ask the Priest or a parishioner and they will tell you how. Often there is a simple form to fill out so that we can get in touch with you and get you on our mailing lists.

If you have any other questions please feel free to ask the Greeters (the folks who greeted you at the door and gave you your bulletin) - they may be able to answer your questions or direct you to appropriate resources, failing that they will put you in touch with the Priest.

Thank you for worshipping with us! We know that what we do is very different to what some other churches do and it takes a while to familiarize yourself, so please don't feel self-conscious. Welcome!

Our Diocese and our Ecclesiastical Province share the same name but are different entities.

Though they may share the same names the boundaries of the Ecclesiastical Provinces are not the same as the Political Provinces.

Services are held every Sunday
at 8 a.m. and at 10 a.m.

Midweek Service on Wednesdays
11 a.m.

8 a.m. Service form is the
Book of Common Prayer.

10 a.m. service form alternates between the
Book of Common Prayer and
the Book of Alternative Service.

Services are shown on
overhead screens.

Sunday School is available during the
10 a.m. Service.

Nursery Facilities are available
downstairs.



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"To Know Christ and to Make Christ Known"



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The Parish: A Parish is a gathering of Christians for worship in a particular place. It is a self-supporting community lead by a Rector or Incumbent and a Vestry comprised of elected members of the Parish. A Multi-Point Parish consists of two or more Congregations or “points” that share the liturgical ministry of a Parish Priest or Parish Ministry Team. St. George’s is part of The Anglican Churches of Quinte West – a Multi-Point Parish. Our Priest is The Rev. Steve Timpson.

A Deanery: Is a grouping of Parishes within a Diocese, headed by a Regional Dean, that meet on a regular basis to deal with common concerns and problems. St. George’s/ACQW is in Hasting Deanery and is grouped with Quinte Deanery under a single Archdeacon.

Archdeaconry: A unit within a Diocese, larger than a Deanery, headed by an Archdeacon. The Archdeacon often has some administrative duties delegated to him/her by the Bishop. Our Archdeacon is The Venerable Brad Smith.

A Diocese: A Diocese is a geographic area under the jurisdiction of a Diocesan Bishop as chief pastor. The ACQW are within The Diocese of Ontario, one of 30 Canadian Dioceses. A Diocese is governed by a Synod composed of the Bishop(s) and an elected body of Clergy and Laity chosen

by the Parishes. Our Bishop is The Right Rev. Michael Oulton. It is said that Dioceses are Episcopally lead (lead by Bishops) but Synodically governed (governed by the clergy and laity together). Bishops are elected by Diocesan Synods.

Ecclesiastical Province: A grouping of Dioceses into a common area. There are 4 ecclesiastical provinces in the Anglican Church of Canada – “Canada”, “Ontario”(1), “Rupert’s Land”, and “British Columbia and the Yukon” (2). Each Province meets at regular intervals for a Provincial Synod to transact business of common interest. The Bishop in charge of a Provincial Synod is called the Metropolitan Archbishop. The Metropolitan is elected by the Provincial Synod composed of Bishops, Clergy and Lay Delegates. Our Metropolitan Archbishop is Colin Johnson.

General Synod: The national governing body of the Anglican Church of Canada, General Synod, meets every 3 years. GS is composed of Bishops, Clergy and Laity elected from every Diocese. The Primate is President of General Synod. The Primate is a Bishop elected to represent the AC of C to the world and within the Communion. Between meetings the business of General Synod is carried on by the Council of General Synod and its Standing Committees.

The Anglican Communion: The worldwide body of Anglicans currently numbering

approximately 65 million members in 38 self-governing churches in 164 countries. The Archbishop of Canterbury is accorded a “primacy of honour” among Anglican Bishops worldwide. He chairs the once every, ten years meeting of the Anglican Communion called The Lambeth Conference which draws together all the Bishops of the Anglican Communion, as well as the triennial meetings of the Anglican Consultative Council which gathers Bishops, Clergy and Laity from around the Worldwide Communion.

Where the Rubber hits the Road: In the Parish or Congregation there is usually a monthly meeting called a Parish Council (or a Congregational Council in a multi-point parish). This is composed of the Rector/Incumbent, a People’s Warden, a Rector’s/Incumbent’s Warden, Lay Delegates to Synod, the Treasurer and various other officers or heads of ministries in the Parish/Congregation. The Council meets to make decisions about parish life, the furthering of the ministry in that parish, and the administration of the parish budget.

Members are elected at an Annual Vestry Meeting (the Annual General Meeting of the Parish). If you are a member of the congregation over the age of 16 you can be elected to a position on Parish Council. Parishioners who are not on Parish Council