Who's Who at Pinegrove Place

Executive Director – Lori Sidjak (232)
Interim Director of Care – Laarni Piczon (234)
Assistant Director of Care – Neelam Nagi (231)
Recreation Manager – Melissa Moussa (224)
Support Services Manager – Joy Simbulan (226)
Finance Manager – Irina Tataru (215)
Chaplain – Marilyn Chan (233)
Social Worker – Sam Lerner (249)
Dietician – Mia Yuan (245)
Building Services Manager - Andreas Brade 236)
Administrative Assistant – Sylvia Penner (222)
Confidential Secretary – Pansey Ng (221)

Farewell



Chu Tien K
October 27, 1934 – October 7, 2026

Ronald S
May 21, 1932 – October 10, 2026

Chi Yung (Richard) C
April 14, 1936 – October 14, 2026

Welcome New Residents

Shelagh R
Diann M
Nicky H

Mission

Our mission honours God with holistic care providing compassion, hope and life to the community we serve.

Vision

Our vision is to nurture the overall well-being and confidence of our community by providing a supportive home guided by Christian values.

Values

Therefore as we have opportunity let us do good to all people - Galatians 6:10

Respect – Each individual is created in God's likeness; our belief in the sanctity of life motivates us to treat all with dignity, compassion and respect.
Community – Rooted in love, all relationships are nurtured by belonging, safety and commitment.
Stewardship – We strive to be faithful stewards, using our resources effectively to serve others.
Quality – We are committed to maintaining high standards to ensure the quality of life of the residents we serve.
Integrity – We exemplify honesty, trust, and confidentiality with ethical and moral principles.

Diwali: The Festival of Lights

Every fall, we celebrate the Festival of Diwali, honouring our residents, staff and family members from India. This holiday is a celebration of the spiritual victory of good over evil, or light over darkness. On November 10, we will enjoy a special lunch and staff are invited to dress up in cultural attire and share their own practices and memories of the holidays with our residents.



November 2026

Pinegrove Pipeline

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November Special Events

Resident Memorial Service
November 5

Classical Music Concert
November 6

Pet Visits
November 10

Diwali Celebration
November 10

Remembrance Day
November 11

Music with the PosAbilities Group
November 12

Richmond Music School
November 14

Pancake Breakfast
November 18

Birthday Party
November 19

First Sunday of Advent
November 29



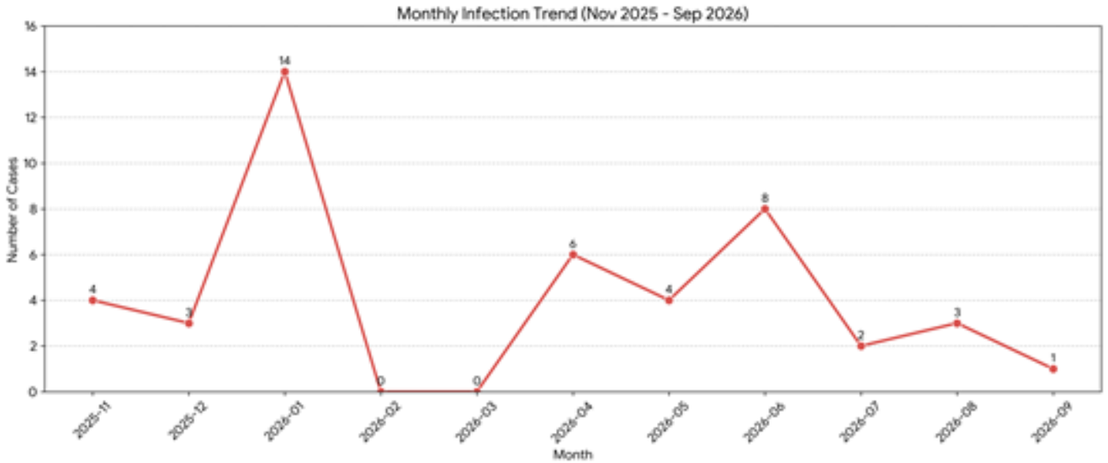
Remembrance Day
November 11

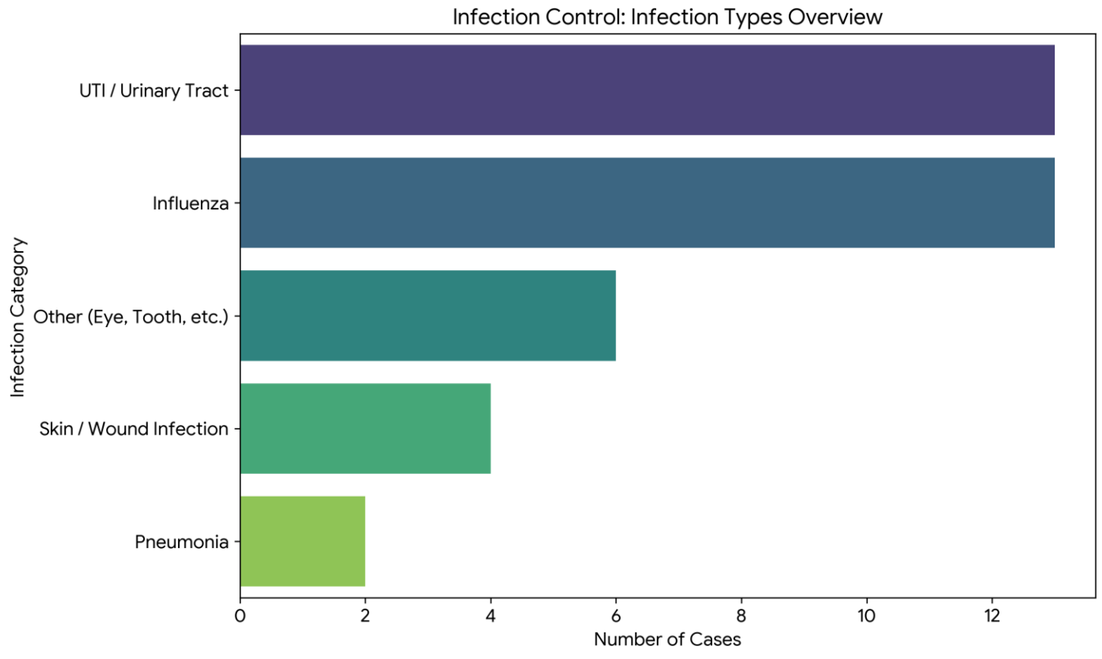
Infection Control Tracking

Below, please find our infection tracking from the past year. The first diagram shows rates of all infections by month. The second diagram show what types of infections were the most prevalent. If you have any questions regarding this, or comments to be shared, please reach out to Laarni or Neelam.

Happy Birthday November Baby!

Miran K..... November 14
Phyllis S ..... November 19
Jing L ..... November 20
Denis M..... November 26
Clare F ..... November 27





Chaplain's Corner: Remembering

Such good things can happen to people who learn to remember.
~ Emily Dickenson

As millions of children and adults participate in the fun of Halloween on the night of October 31st, few will be aware of its ancient Celtic roots in the Samhain festival. In Celtic Ireland about 2,000 years ago, Samhain was the division of the year between the lighter half (summer) and the darker half (winter). At Samhain, the Celts believed the division between this world and the otherworld was at its thinnest, allowing spirits to pass through: the family's ancestors were honored and invited home whilst harmful spirits were warded off.

Many other religious and indigenous communities also honor the ancestors who shaped and formed their beliefs and rituals. Christians honor their central ancestor, Jesus, and also remember those whose lives were shaped by his teachings on the celebratory feast days of All Saints Day and All Souls Day on November 1st and 2nd, respectively. On the Feast of All Saints, we pay homage to the canonized saints. In doing so, we are meant to be renewed and re-inspired in our journey of spiritual transformation as we learn from their example and emulate their acts of service. However, we need not limit this feast to only those recognized for their holiness by the official church. Numerous women and men who have gone before us are sources of encouragement by the way they lived as persons of strong faith and great love – hence the celebration of All Souls Day. Both of these Christian celebrations provide space to remember those who have died, to pray for those who lived among us and somehow touched our lives, and to open our hearts in a special way to those who mourn the dead.

All of us have experienced loss at some time in our lives. As we grieve these losses, there can be something profoundly comforting as we reflect on the best qualities that our deceased loved ones embodied when they were alive. And then let us pray for those traits to come alive more fully in us, so that the best of our loved ones will continue to live on in us and be a blessing for others.

<u>For Reflection</u>
Ancestors, Mentors, Companions, Friends and Shapers of Our Hearts….Who are the heroes and heroines in your life…the teachers, the guides, the special ones who influenced the way you live now?

- Whose wisdom has been a central guide along the way?
- Who stood by you in a troublesome time?
- Whose spirituality or theology influenced your own?
- Who brought you joy, laughter, delight?
- What ancestor retains a special place in your life?

<u>A Prayer</u>
God of our ancestors, we turn our hearts to all those who have influenced our lives with their love and goodness. Although they have passed on to the other side of this life, their lives continue to affect who we are and what we do. Like the sound of a bell resounding in the welcoming air, so has the goodness of these holy ones resonated in our lives. Thank you for these ancestors and the bond we have with them. Amen.

~ Joyce Rupp

