



# Mayor's Message

A Message from Mayor Crystal Meloche



November 14, 2025

Hello residents of LaSalle,

I want to take a moment to acknowledge the importance of this week, a time when communities across Canada pause to remember. Remembrance Day is more than a date on the calendar, it's a reminder of the immense cost of the freedoms we enjoy: the freedom to speak, to serve, and to shape the future of our community together. Those who served did so not for recognition, but for the hope that future generations could live in peace.

Many never came home, and those that did carried invisible burdens that stayed longer after battles ended. Their courage continues to echo through the choices we make as leaders, and neighbours. It reminds to act with gratitude, to listen with compassion, and to serve with integrity.

I want to thank everyone who joined us for our annual LaSalle Remembrance Day Ceremony on Tuesday, November 11, at Cenotaph Park. The ceremony was held in partnership with the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 594. Watch the 2025 LaSalle Remembrance Day Ceremony on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HYOMEItKuTU>

I would also like to take a moment to recognize LaSalle Firefighter Kevin Semande, who concluded his distinguished career on November 6, 2025, after more than 30 years of exemplary service with LaSalle Fire. Kevin

has been a steady and trusted presence within our Town, and we wish him the best in his well deserved retirement.

### **Mondays with the Mayor**

Our upcoming Mondays with the Mayor is on Monday, November 17, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Town of LaSalle Civic Centre, 5950 Malden Road. I invite members of our community to meet with myself in person and to share your ideas or ask questions.

### **Town of LaSalle Open House**

We invite you to join Members of LaSalle Council and Administration on Monday, November 17, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm, at the Vollmer Centre Lobby, 2121 Laurier Parkway, it's a great opportunity to learn more about the 2026 Proposed Budget, and the Parks, Recreation and Culture and Master Plan. Additionally, there will be display boards and staff available to answer questions from all departments.

### **LaSalle Holiday Lights Heritage Nights**

Holiday Lights Heritage Nights will include two locations to experience the magic of LaSalle throughout the holiday season:

1. Holiday lights at the LaSalle Civic Centre, including a 40-foot-tall walk-through tree and dazzling lights. Join the annual Tree Lighting on Friday, November 21 beginning at 5:00 pm. The tree lighting will take place at 6:00 pm, followed by Santa's grand arrival in true

holiday style.

2. Weekend programming beginning November 28 at the Event Centre at LaSalle Landing, 970 Front Road. The weekend programming that was previously at the LaSalle Civic Centre will now be held at the Event Centre. There will be a Grand Opening of the Loop at LaSalle Landing on Friday, November 28. For more information and weekend programming schedule, visit [www.lasalle.ca/holidaylights](http://www.lasalle.ca/holidaylights)

### **Breakfast with Santa and the Mayor**

Santa Claus is making his way back to LaSalle, and everyone is invited! Join myself and LaSalle Council for breakfast at the Event Centre at LaSalle Landing, on Saturday, December 6, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

Children will have the opportunity to visit Santa and share their holiday wish list! There will also be a variety of activities including face painting, and photo opportunities with Santa and other characters. See you there!

Mayor Crystal Meloche