



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

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Dear friends,

Update to Q&A

Welcome to the twenty ninth edition of our weekly newsletter. We are continuing the weekly newsletter for the

This question has been added to the Q & A.

Q: Why do we have to sanitize after taking communion?

A: Before consuming the communion bread, you remove your masks and in the process, you touch your mask or even your face. So you need to sanitize your hands to take care of any potential contamination before returning to your seat.

foreseeable future.

“Shout Outs”

If you would like some special occasion like an anniversary or birthday acknowledged in the Sunday service, Fr Julian will be more than happy to announce it. However, it must be into either Father Julian or the office by **Tuesday noon** for it to be included in the service for the following Sunday.

All Saints’ Day

It is our tradition at St Mark’s to remember on All Saints’ Day those members of our congregation who have passed on in the year from November to November. This year, we would like to include any loved one you would like remembered in this way. There will be a list included in the bulletin on Sunday and a slide on the Morning Prayer with the names listed. If you have a name to add, please contact the office.

Sunday Services

Please remember to let the office know if you would like to attend the service. Although walk-ins are allowed, there is a strict limit of 50 people in the building.

Bishop’s Podcasts

Season 2 of the Bishop’s podcasts has begun. Here is a link to last Saturday’s podcast: [Bishop's Podcast Season 2 Episode 2](#)

The Pandemic Planning Committee has prepared a [Reopening Brochure](#) with [Re-Opening Q & A](#). The Q & A has been updated. These updates can be found later in the newsletter. For those of you who would like to have more information on what we are doing as a diocese, there is a [Re-Opening Summary](#). The full Diocesan Plan is available at [Diocesan Plan - In This Together](#).

St Mark’s Bazaar

This year, the plan is to have a limited, on-line bazaar. If you have any items to contribute, ideas to contribute or are able to help organize this event, please contact Joy Bowerman or the office. Joy is finding the current demands on her time a little overwhelming and would appreciate some help.

Video Morning Prayer Service

Morning Prayer services will continue for the foreseeable future. As usual, you should receive an email with a link to the service and the bulletin on Saturday

Bright Futures Scholarship

Throughout the past four years, we have been able to support 20 students in their pursuit of degrees and diplomas thanks to a generous donor. We are in our final year of our scholarship funding and would love for you to

Many, many thanks to Alex Dee who is doing the video editing for this endeavour.

hear about how these scholarships have impacted the lives of people in our community. Scholarships can and do have a lifetime impact. Your donation, if you designate it "scholarship" will be directed to keeping this vital program alive. Take a look at our incredible scholarship recipients this year!

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This fund creates a strong sense of community where members feel they are recognized and encouraged to pursue their dreams




The donors of Bright Futures Scholarship Fund have made it possible for me to continue my education and pursue my career goals. I thank them from the bottom of my heart.

— **SARIA JAVIAD**
Masters of Education
University of Ottawa



2020 Scholarship Recipient

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Winning this means taking off a lot of stress from both me and my mom, and for that, I am truly grateful



I am currently in my last year of Electrical Engineering Technician at Algonquin College. I am greatly appreciative to have been selected to win the Debra Dynes Bright Future Scholarship. I'd also like to thank Kavi for encouraging me daily to enter this scholarship.

— **TOMMESON TOUSSAINT**
Electrical Engineering Technician
Algonquin College



2020 Scholarship Recipient

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Winning this scholarship means the world to me



It takes financial stress off of me and allows me to really focus on my classes. I feel honoured that I was chosen for such an amazing opportunity.

— **AIMEE PALMER**
Police Foundations
Algonquin College



2020 Scholarship Recipient

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Throughout my studies at the University of Ottawa I will remember this scholarship as a reminder of where I started and where I want to be



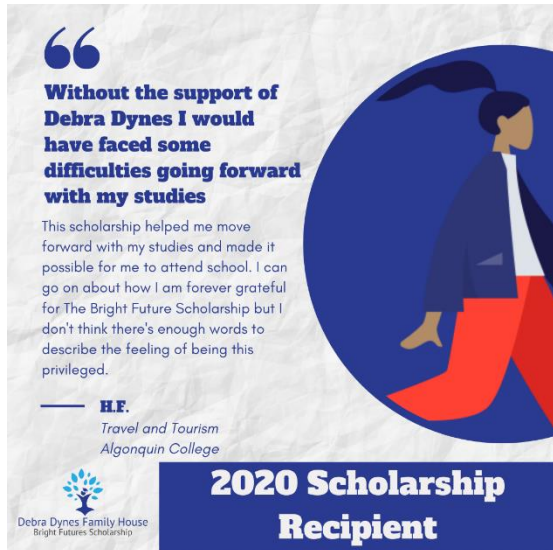
I believe that community is so important because of how it unites us and how it gives us a deeper sense of belonging which is what the Family House and community has done for me in all these years.

— **JOYCE BALLI**
Honours Bachelor of Science in Biology
University of Ottawa



2020 Scholarship Recipient

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Without the support of Debra Dynes I would have faced some difficulties going forward with my studies

This scholarship helped me move forward with my studies and made it possible for me to attend school. I can go on about how I am forever grateful for The Bright Future Scholarship but I don't think there's enough words to describe the feeling of being this privileged.

H.F.
Travel and Tourism
Algonquin College

Debra Dynes Family House
Bright Futures Scholarship

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Wool Wanted:

Doreen Matweow, who is housebound and keeping busy during these times, has asked if anyone has excess wool that they would like to give her. Doreen is making scarves, which will be donated to Horizon House, Debra Dynes, etc. Wool donations can be dropped off at Church on Sunday (put in the DDFH bin) or please call the Parish Office and arrangements will be made for pick-up.

Doreen thanks everyone who sent her get well cards and phone calls during her recent operation at the Ottawa Heart Institute. She says she is feeling great!

City of Ottawa Budget Consultations

Councillor Riley Brockington is co-hosting two budget consultations to provide residents with an opportunity to express their interests in the upcoming city budget. All consultations are being held online using Zoom. Please email Andrea.Ward@Ottawa.ca to register for one of the following two events:

Monday, Oct 19, 6:30pm – Consultation with Councillors Theresa Kavanagh, Jeff Leiper and Riley Brockington

Thursday, October 22, 7pm – Consultation with Councillors Diane Deans, Shawn Menard, Jean Cloutier and Riley Brockington.

River Ward Older Adult Summit

The annual River Ward Older Adult Summit will be held online this month so that everyone can participate. The live broadcast will be on Thursday, Oct 29 at 10am and will include presentations from Ottawa Public Health and the Council on Aging in Ottawa on how to live well during the pandemic. Send an email to Andrea.Ward@Ottawa.ca to register for this event.

River Ward's OLDER ADULT SUMMIT *Virtual edition*

**Thursday, October 29
10am - 11:30am
Online with ZOOM**

Join City Councillor Riley Brockington & special guests, including **Ottawa Public Health** and the **Council on Aging in Ottawa** for the annual River Ward Older Adult Summit

This year's topics include:

- Health and Safety for Older Adults in a Time of COVID; and
- How to Stay Active in your Home during the Winter Months

Register to attend by emailing Andrea.Ward@Ottawa.ca.
You will receive the link to the meeting following your registration.

Riley.Brockington@Ottawa.ca

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Sharing Coffee Hour

If you would like to share a photo, a recipe of what you would have made for coffee hour and/or a short hello message with a few details of what you've been up to, then you are welcome to do so. The editor will not

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seek out people but would be happy to receive submissions.

Contacting the Church

Contacting the office has actually not changed at all. You may contact the office at 613-224-7431 or stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca.

Messages are being monitored and the business of the church is continuing, albeit remotely.

Donations to the Church

We are extremely fortunate at St Mark's that there are a number of people who use Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR). If you are not on PAR, we would encourage you to continue your donations. Of course, putting a cheque in the mail is always a great option for getting your donation to us. If you wish to make a donation by credit card, you may do so at CanadaHelps.

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/47820>.

You will have to remember when you go to do your taxes for 2020 where you have put your receipts from CanadaHelps. If you cannot find them, contact CanadaHelps and they will be happy to issue duplicate receipts. All money donated will be put in to the appropriate income category when it comes to us.

Comments and Suggestions

If you have anything you would like to see in next week's newsletter, please email the church at stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca.