



# St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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## Weekly Newsletter

**June 11, 2021**

Dear friends,

name please call Michael Perkin 613-862-4626 or email @ [micperk08@gmail.com](mailto:micperk08@gmail.com).

Welcome to the sixty-third edition of our weekly newsletter. We are continuing the weekly newsletter for the foreseeable

### Church Gardens.

We need help to water the gardens and potted plants during this hot dry weather. Watering the plants in the link area, the front and side areas takes about 40 minutes, so if you could devote this time once a week, it would be appreciated. Please contact the office at 613-731-4818 or [stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca](mailto:stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca) if you are interested in helping out.

future. Since the numbers are getting ridiculously large. I am going to change the numbering scheme somewhat. This is volume 2 (second year of newsletter) number 8 (the eighth one since March 20 which we started last year.

### 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 **MONDAY EVENING** for it to be included in the service for the following Sunday.



### Video Services

Holy Eucharist for June 13 should arrive in your inbox on June 12 at 12 pm.

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

### Live Streaming Our Services.

When the Church opens, our Services will be live streamed. There are many benefits of online church service streaming, including reaching parishioners who are homebound, capturing our services for the archives, expanding our online presence, etc. There will be two cameras, one that is static and the other, which will require an operator.

### Bible Study Continues on Wednesday

The Zoom Bible Study led by Fr Julian will continue on Wednesday, June 2 and continue until the summer. Please contact Fr Julian to let him know you are interested.

[frejc@stmarksottawa.ca](mailto:frejc@stmarksottawa.ca)

Ideally we should have 4 or 5 people who are abler to operate the camera on a rotational basis. The camera is easy to operate and training will be provided by the company installing the equipment. If you would like to learn a new skill and help record the service, please contact the office at 613-224-7431 or [stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca](mailto:stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca).

### Ring the Bell!

We will be ringing St. Mark's bell every Sunday in June, starting on June 13. We are ringing our bell 215 times in recognition of the lost indigenous children. Anyone wishing to participate is invited to join Janis and Michael Perkin at 11 am each Sunday. We will be ringing the bell each Sunday till we reach 215. This is an outdoor event so masks and social distancing will apply. If you would like more information or wish to put forward your

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### **New Website Under Construction.**

At long last, St. Mark's is getting a new website. Joy, Georgia and Suzanne are currently working with a web developer to define our requirements and enhance our on-line presence. If you would like to assist with the construction of the website, please contact the office.

### **Shape of Parish Ministry update coming soon!**

The May 7 Parish Newsletter contained an article about the launch of the Shape of Parish Ministry Consultation (SPMC) in the Diocese and the steps that we would be going through over the next 18 months. Since that time, our SPMC parish representatives (Fr Julian, Suzanne Bisson, Georgia Roberts and Keith Wilkins) have been working with Parish Council to solicit their responses to five questions regarding our parish that will facilitate a wider congregational input and discussion. In the next few days, you will receive a special communication from [spmc@stmarksottawa.ca](mailto:spmc@stmarksottawa.ca) on how you can participate in this endeavour. This email address will be used exclusively for all matters related to the Shape of Parish Ministry. Note that parishioners for whom we do not have email addresses will receive the special communication by Canada Post.

### **Canadian Backgrounds**

I continue to enjoy the lovely pictures that are sent in and I hope you are enjoying them as well. For the service for June 27, the Sunday closest to Canada Day, I am hoping to do backgrounds of Canadian scenes – not just the local area. If you have any photos of Canada, mountains, prairies, Newfoundland, Atlantic Canada, I would love to have them. – Joy!

### **The Alternate Life of our Music Editor**

The Citizen this week contains a picture of the City of Ottawa Beaches Lifeguards who were in a “Boot Camp” last weekend (and again this weekend) honing their skills for the waterfront. The photos were included in an article on how crowded Mooney's Bay was.

In fact, most of the people you see at the water are lifeguards who are training. The guards who were leading the training are in uniform (red bathing suits, yellow shirts and red hat). The tall one in uniform looking to the left is in fact Alex, who mixes all our music for us and whose equipment we use.



### **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 into the appropriate income category when it comes to us.

### **Contacting the Church**

You may contact the office at 613-224-7431 or [stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca](mailto:stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca). Messages are being monitored and the business of the church is continuing, albeit remotely.

### **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](mailto:stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca)