



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

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Dear friends,

Welcome to the our weekly newsletter. We are continuing the weekly newsletter for the foreseeable future.

am. This is an outdoor event so masks and social distancing will apply. If you would like more information or wish to put forward your name please call Michael Perkin 613-862-4626 or email @ micperk08@gmail.com.

Sunday Teasers

This Sunday we are celebrating Canada Day as well as the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost. The music chosen for this week is all written and composed by Canadian Composers. As well, the Postlude is a medley of Canadian folk songs performed by St Mark's Choir in June of 2017. There is slideshow of Canadian vistas from sea to sea and north into Yellowknife during the folk songs.

The words of the first hymn were written by Herbert O'Driscoll who was Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver while I was singing with the choir there and attending the University of British Columbia. This hymn is taken from a small book published by the Diocese of New Westminster. Although I have sung many of his hymns, the one on Sunday is the only one I know of where the tune was written by his wife, herself a talented musician and singer, and harmonized by Patrick Wedd who was the organist/choir director while I was there.

Herbie is a prolific writer and has written both books and hymns. Seven of his hymns are included in Common Praise including *The Love of Jesus Calls Us* and *Come and Journey with a Saviour*. In looking for biographical information for the service, I discovered that he has recently published a book of autobiographical reminiscences called *I will arise and go now* which is available from [the cathedral's online bookstore](#) or from [Munro books](#).

On a personal note, I want it known that while I agree that Fr Julian's handwriting is not the easiest to read and I occasionally require clarification, I do not consider it a major obstacle in my path and as such do not complain greatly. - Joy

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.

- Garrett Greer celebrated his 10th birthday on June 16th
- Paul Greer celebrated his 75th birthday on June 22nd
- Gwen and Vern Maclean would like to thank God for the opportunity to celebrate our 58th Anniversary on June 29th! Since that special day, we thank God for being blessed with each other - three wonderful children and two amazing grandchildren!

Video Services

Holy Eucharist for June 27 should arrive in your inbox on June 26 at 12 pm.

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

Bible Study on Summer Break

The Zoom Bible Study led by Fr Julian will take a break over the summer and resume some time in the fall.

Ring the Bell!

We will be ringing St. Mark's bell this Sunday. We are ringing our bell 215 times in recognition of the lost indigenous children. The bell needs to ring 71 more times to finish acknowledging the children discovered in Kamloops. Anyone wishing to participate is invited to join Janis and Michael Perkin at 11

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SPMC

If you are a member of this congregation or have indicated that you will be a member of this congregation, you should have received an email from the SPMC team on June 24. Paper copies have been sent to those not on the email list. If you did not receive the email, please check your spam for an email from spmc@stmarksottawa.ca. If you did not receive anything and you think you should have, please contact the office.

Looking for Photos of the Bahamas

For the service for July 11, I am looking for photos of the Bahamas. So if you have connections into the Bahamas or have vacationed there, please send your photos to the office by noon on July 7.

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.

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.

Video Backgrounds

Thank you to all those who sent pictures of Canada in for the service this Sunday....and enjoy Canada coast to coast. I will continue to need photos throughout the summer and I so enjoy the contributions. Joy!

E-Transfers to the Church

After long and arduous consultations with the bank, we can now accept e-transfers to the main church account. We cannot do autodeposit because of the type of account but you may e-transfer money to

stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca. You will be required to give a question. Please either make the answer obvious or email the office and let them know the answer to the question. This option has no cost to the church.

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 2021 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. 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