



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

June 26, 2020

Dear friends,

Welcome to the sixteenth edition of our weekly newsletter. We expect this newsletter to continue as long as

we cannot meet in person. A limited number of paper copies will be placed at the link doors for people who do not have access to email.

“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.

This week’s shout outs include:

- Garry & Patricia Bradley were married at St Mark’s 51 years ago on June 28 by the Rev George Foy
- Joanne Pagani’s birthday on July 7

Sunday Morning Service

Although we cannot attend Sunday morning worship, we have put together a recording for July 5. It should arrive in your inbox on July 4.

Accompanying the recording will be a file which has the complete service including the readings if you would like to read them.

Unfortunately, the sermon will not be transcribed and you will need to listen to the video to hear it. Many, many thanks to Alex Dee who is doing the video editing for this endeavour.

Because of the method of recording different sections at different times and then melding them together, we are able to follow the

Anglican Diocese of Ottawa guidelines on Physical Distancing. There are no more than three of us in the church at any one time and we maintain a distance of 2m between us.

ADOn the Move

Bishop Shane is doing a series of podcasts (like radio broadcasts on demand) where he is moving around the diocese and talking to people. On last week’s podcast Bishop Shane visited the Parish of the Valley and stopped in at a farm in Cobden. Moose, pie and bulls are contained in the stories. The series is coming out every Saturday. You can find the podcasts at:

<https://www.ottawa.anglican.ca/podcasts>

Fabric Face Masks

There is a certain amount of distrust in North America of people covering their faces, even with masks, unless they are in a job which makes it prudent. It may be something we all have to grapple with in the new “normal”. As you may have seen in the news, masks are becoming part of the strategy for re-opening the Province and some stores require masks for you to enter.

If anyone would like a fabric mask, there are sewers at St Mark’s who can make you one. Just let the office know. It has been taking a while to fill the orders so don’t give up if you have ordered.

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 seek out people but would be happy to receive submissions. This week Glen and Carol Russell send their greetings.

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Greetings for Glen & Carol Russell

Hello everyone from Carol and Glen,
We are missing our 8 o'clock "crowd" at St. Mark's but the newsletter, online service, and occasional recipes are a wonderful way to keep us informed and nourished. Thanks to all those who work so hard to keep us together at St. Mark's.

As always, Glen and I will be spending most of the summer at our cottage. There, our lives consist of daily walks, golf, socially distanced visits with family and friends, touring around on our bikes, and then jumping in the lake. If there is an upside to this pandemic, it is that my gardens are getting more TLC than they've had in years! We also attend the noon hour bell ringing most Sundays at St. Mary's, our cottage community church. It has become an occasion!

Have a great summer, and stay healthy, everyone!



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). That gives us some source of income during this time that there is no public worship. 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.

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.

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.

