



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

September 4, 2020

Dear friends,

I wish you peace and love as we grow together.

Your Priest and Friend,

Fr. E. Julian Campbell

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

future. 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.

A Message from Father Julian

30 August 2020

Dear friends

- Suja Mani celebrates her birthday on September 10
- Although not in the video this week, Brian and Fiona Harrison celebrate their 18th wedding anniversary on September 6. They were married at St Mark's by Fr Roger.

One of my favourite Old Testament verses is Isaiah 41: 10, “So do not fear for I am with you...” It speaks about the presence of God during a difficult and uncertain time in the life of the Israelites. This same presence we can be tethered to now.

Members of our online congregation:

As we are about to reopen on September 6 at 9 A.M., there are some of you who are fearful. That is understandable, and I hear your concern. If you are not ready to return to church initially, do not feel rushed or guilty.

- Canon Sebastian Campbell, Fr Julian's brother and godfather, celebrates his birthday on September 7
- Da'Ren Campbell Newbold, Fr Julian's sister, celebrated her birthday on August 27.

To assist you in this period of uncertainty, we will continue to provide you with the option of Morning Prayer via YouTube. Additionally, the Newsletter will carry updates by way of Questions and Answers (Q&A), and brochures. For those who will take the initial leap of faith, be assured that the church is fully sanitized, and all health and diocesan protocols are being adhered to for the safety of all.

Getting Ready to Open

St Mark's will be opening its doors on Sunday September 6 with an in-person Eucharist service at 9 am.

Together, we started this journey and it is together, we will see each other through. Like Isaiah says, the Lord is with us and we are with each other.

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.

The Pandemic Planning Committee has prepared a [Reopening Brochure](#) with [Re-Opening Q & A](#). 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](#).

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.

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

Welcome Stephanie McWatt



Stephanie McWatt will be doing a field placement with us this fall. Stephanie is an Ottawa resident living on a small farm on the East side of Ottawa, where she raises pigs, chickens and cattle. She also operates a youth mentorship program and is in the process of setting up a non-profit organization called "Ottawa Community Care Farm," with the focus being community capacity.

She lives with her husband (Sean) and two sons, Spencer (12) and Stuart (10). Her husband works in the military and is involved with the Cathedral Boys Choir with their eldest son Spencer.

Stephanie is in her last year of studies at Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto for her Master's of Divinity. She hopes to enter the military as a chaplain after completing two years of civilian ministry.



Preserving Jars??

Although the bazaar will likely be online this year, the canning fairies are hard at work making delicious preserves. If you have any empty mason-type jars which you don't need, they would find a worthy home at St Mark's. Please contact the office to make arrangements (You can leave them outside the link door as long as someone knows to go and get them.)

Fabric Face Masks

Face masks are now required in Ottawa at all indoor public spaces.

If anyone would like a fabric mask, there are sewers at St Mark's who can make you one. Just let the office know.



Re-Source Thrift Shop

It's official!! The Board of the re-Source Thrift Shop Ottawa is excited to announce that the home of our new store is 1400 Clyde, in the Blecker mall! re-Source Thrift Shop

Ottawa is a volunteer-run thrift store that will support local Christian schools, including Community Christian School in Metcalfe, Ottawa Christian School in Barrhaven, and Redeemer Christian High School in Ottawa. For up to date announcements and details regarding volunteering and donations, please visit our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/resourceothriftotawa>) or contact info@re-sourceottawa.ca for more information.

St Mark's Zoom

St Mark's now has a Pro Zoom account. Karen Roberts would be happy to schedule meetings for any church groups that might want to use the account. She just needs to know date/time and duration of a meeting and then she can send along the login information. Once a meeting is set up, attendees can join without a 'host'. If you are a St Mark's group/committee and would like to schedule a meeting, please email zoomstmarks@gmail.com with the details of the meeting you would like scheduled.

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.

Pat Sinclair

This is dedicated to my 8am service friends, with thanks to them for letting me use them as "guinea pigs" when I try out new treats. This is one of the first things I made for Coffee Hour, when I was looking for suitably ecclesiastical recipes!

Bishop's Bread

1 egg
1/2 c. Granulated sugar
1/4 c. Cooking oil
1 tsp. Vanilla
1 c. Sour milk (1 Tbsp vinegar + milk)
2 c. All purpose flour
1/2 tsp. Baking soda
1/2 tsp. Salt
1/2 c. Chopped walnuts
1/2 c. Glazed cherries
1/2 c. Raisins or Currants
1/2 c. Semi-sweet chocolate chips
Beat egg in mixing bowl until fluffy. Add sugar, oil & vanilla. Beat to blend. Mix in sour milk.

In another bowl, measure flour, soda & salt. Stir to mix well.

Add walnuts, cherries, raisins and chips. Mix together.

Add all at once to liquid batter. Stir only to combine.

Turn into a greased loaf pan 9"x5"x3".

Bake at 350 deg. for 1 hour or until it tests done. Let stand 10 minutes.

Remove from pan to cool on rack. Wrap to store. Cut the next day.

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

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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.