

# St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church 1606 Fisher Ave, Ottawa ON K2C 1X6

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## **Weekly Newsletter**

August 20, 2021

Dear friends,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter. We are continuing the weekly newsletter for the 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 **MONDAY EVENING** for it to be included in the service for the following Sunday.

## Many Thanks

to Suzanne Bisson who produced and distributed the newsletter for the two weeks that Joy was away!

Debra-Dynes School Supplies

Drop Off at Church

August 24

10 am - noon

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 Suzanne Bisson celebrated her birthday on August 12.

## Compline

The two remaining compline services will take place on August 22 and September 5 at 5:30 pm. Pandemic restrictions are still in place so please register ahead of time with the office by



calling 613-224-7431 or email <a href="mailto:stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca">stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</a>

We will be following the same protocols as we did last September.

- Make sure you are feeling well
- Confirm that you do not have any of the COVID indicators. Questions are on the link door
- Wear a mask
- Sanitize your hands on entry
- Maintain social distancing while in the church and in the pews. (Family groups may sit together); and
- Depart church as quickly as possible after the service.

Refreshments and social time outside are planned for after the service.

Please join us for a time of quiet contemplation at Eventide.

## **Video Services**

Morning Prayer for August 22should arrive in your inbox on August 21 at 12 pm.

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

## School Supplies for Debra-Dynes Family House

Here is a list of school supplies recommended by OCDSB for the coming school year. There is one more drop off time at the church, next Tuesday from 10am until noon to accept your donations. If these times are not convenient for you please call me at (613) 262-4108 and I will do a home pick up. - Joan

#### Recommended items are:

## Kindergarten to Grade 3

12 pencils, 2 white erasers, 1 package of crayons, 1 package of coloured pencils, 1 package of coloured markers, 1 metric ruler, 1 pair of blunt scissors, 2 glue sticks.

#### Grade 4 to Grade 8

12 pencils, 2 white erasers, 1 metric ruler, 1 pair of blunt scissors, 3 ballpoint pens, 1 package of coloured pencils, 2 packages of 3-hole lined refill paper, 6 duotangs, 1 package of coloured markers, 1 calculator, 6 lined notebooks, 1 geometry set, 2 highlighters, 3 binders, binder dividers.

Staples Gift Cards are always welcome for all grades. DDFH then can buy in bulk and make the donation dollars go further.

Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry.

Joan

## **Pandemic Restrictions**

We are working to returning to in-person worship. We will be returning to regular Sunday worship September 12. Your parish pandemic team is working on the details as the world continues to change around us.

The Diocese has newly revised the pandemic restrictions. If you wish to look at the newly revised restrictions, they may be found in their In This Together plan. (This is an updated version from last week. It was revised July 21.) We moved to the Amber Stage on July 6 and will move to Yellow Stage on August 3.

This pandemic has changed our lives and it has not been easy for any of us. We are looking forward to resuming in-person worship and continuing on with our ministry activities, but we must continue to remain diligent to keep us all safe.

Your continued patience and support are very much appreciated.

## Carleton Memorial Daycare

Carleton Memorial Daycare is using our church hall for its summer day camp again this summer beginning on Monday, July 5. Because there are stringent COVID-19 protocols in place, they cannot allow anyone into their space while they are using it (including parents of the children). Therefore, you may not use the link door to enter the church, enter the church hall or use the washrooms in the church hall during weekdays.



Suzanne Bisson paid a visit to Doreen Matweow this past week and admired some of the knitting that she has been doing.

## Junkanoo

Fr Julian has mentioned Junkanoo while he has been talking about the Bahamas. This article showed up in my news and talks about the origin of Junkanoo if you are intererested. Bahamas' Queen of Junkanoo

## Help Needed for Livestreaming

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the livestreaming.

There will be two cameras, one that is static and the other, which will require an operator.

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 - Limited Time Left

There are 2 more services that will be prerecorded and will need backgrounds for the title slides so send in your photos! People also enjoy the photos during the postlude so don't be shy. Remember landscape (vs portrait) pictures work best for a background. Many thanks to the people who have been sending them in. There is a wonderful assortment this week! If you don't see them all in one week, look for them the next. 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 <a href="maintenant-stransfer">stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</a>. 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 <u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u>. 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 <a href="mailto:stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca">stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</a>