



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

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Dear friends,

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

Livestreaming

Our livestreaming adventure started last Sunday. I would like to apologize to anyone who tried to talk to me before the service. It was more than a little nerve-racking to start the stream with little practice or instruction. To give you a feel for how close it was, I was able to get everything in order and start the stream 1:30 minutes before Fr Julian came out to make the announcements.

It should be a little better this week and as we get more comfortable, we will add in some refinements. The stream is automatically recorded so it can be watched later and I will add captions before the middle of the week – all things being equal. - Joy

The link for this week's stream is [here](#).

Outreach: Fall 2021

Firstly, thank you to everyone who made the "School Supply month of August" such a great success.

Secondly, it is time to start our Fall Food Drive for the Debra Dynes Family House. Starting this Sunday, I will put a blue collection box in the Link for your donations. Anything (except perishables) is welcome and needed. I will drop off the food on a regular basis. I believe that in the past egg cartons and yogurt tubs were also needed. So, I will collect those as well.

Cash and cheques are always welcome too. If you need more information do not hesitate to email me at joan.hounsell@gmail.com or phone me at 613 262-4108.

Thank you....Joan

Slim & Trim

Slim and Trim will resume on Monday, September 20 in the hall. It will take place on Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9 to 9:30. There is a maximum of 10 participants. Please contact Jenny Morphew to register. 613-225-6301.

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.

- Sheila Ferguson celebrates her birthday on September 20
- Brenda Zanin celebrates her birthday on September 23

In-person Worship

We are continuing with one service at 9 am for the time being.

Pandemic restrictions are still in place so please register ahead of time with the office by calling 613-224-7431 or email stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca

Details of the restrictions in place will be found [here](#).

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.

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E-Transfers to the Church

We can 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