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



Weekly Newsletter

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 **Wednesday noon** for it to be included in the service for the following Sunday.

- Jenny Morphew celebrated her birthday on October 27th
- Two years ago, on November 1, Fr Julian became our incumbent. Who could have foreseen what those two years would have been like? We pray that we may continue to be a blessing to each other in the time ahead

In-person Worship

In person worship continues at both 8 and 10 am. When you register to attend, please specify which service you would like to attend. Please register ahead of time with the office by calling 613-224-7431 or email <u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u>

Details of the restrictions in place will be found <u>here</u>.

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.

Livestreaming

The livestream will begin this week at 9:55 and will include the baptism of Bentley Cooper and Harper Sarah

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.

Vacation

Father Julian will be on vacation from November 9 through November 30. Canon Rhondda MacKay will be taking the services during this time.

Forward Day by Day

The Forward Day by Day is now available for November through January. Copies are available at the table in the link.

Bazaar

Here is the bazaar order form. There are 350 jars of delicious preserves for you to choose from. We also have knitted dishcloths available. Soup mixes will be available next week and turkey pies are currently available (although not on the order form). Please contact the office to place your order. Order forms will be available at the table in the link as well. Cynthia Greer and Pauline Adams will be fulfilling the orders. This year you may pay by cash, cheque or e-transfer to the church. (See instructions on e-transfer below)

The plan is to do Christmas Cookie boxes again this year. They will be available in December. If you are willing to bake cookies or would like to order, please contact the office.

Still to come: fruit pies, knitted scarves, hats and socks, Janis's wonderful hand-made cards. Other details will be released as they become available.

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If you have any contributions, comments or suggestions, please contact Joy (or the office).

Calendars

There are 8 church calendars remaining They are \$6.00

If you are at the church, please write your name on the sheet on the table in the link, keeping Covid regulations re distance in mind. If you have the correct change, place the money in an envelope (provided) with your name on and how many calendars, and I'll get the calendars to you.

If you are not at the church, please contact Cynthia at 613-723-2680 or greercynthia69@yahoo.com

Turkey Pies

Turkey Pies are now available. They are still \$5.00 each with a limit of 4 pies (unless you are a family of 5). If will be at church on Sunday and you would like turkey pies, you may pick them up by speaking to Joy, Cynthia or Pauline. If you will not be at church, you may contact the office at 613-224-7431 or <u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u> and place your order. Payment may be made in cash or by etransfer to stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca. A second batch of turkey pies will be available next week.

Puddings

Puddings will be available shortly at a cost of \$7 for small and \$14 for large puddings.

Postage Stamps

Doreen Matweow continues to collect and process used postage stamps, which she sends to the Leprosy Mission, Effect Hope. This organization ensues that people affected by neglected tropical diseases have access to health care and community support for better mental, physical, and social well-being. Postage stamps are one way that the organization raises money.

Safe & Warm for DDFH

DDFH is launching a community outreach event called "Safe and Warm" during the week of November 25. They will be distributing little packages of hats, mitts, gloves, scarves and socks particularly to the children in the community. I am therefore asking any knitters at St Mark's if you are able to help with this project.

Please contact me or Gillian for additional information.

In addition the collection box is still in the Link for food donations.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Joan joan.hounsell@gmail.com 613 262-4108.

E-Transfers to the Church

W 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 <u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u>. 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.

Contacting the Church

You may contact the office at 613-224-7431 or <u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u>. Messages are being monitored.

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