



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

November 5, 2021

Dear friends,

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

The Diocese strongly urges Parishes to not rush into Option two, which is proof of vaccination and it is recommended that we consider waiting until Advent. Option two ends capacity limits but as much as possible, social distancing should be adhered to.

The pandemic team will continue to register all attendees at service.

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.

- Craig McCaul celebrates his birthday on November 6.

Fall Back!!

The time changes overnight Saturday to Sunday. Another hour's sleep before you come to church!



Upcoming Changes to Worship

Here are upcoming changes to worship that will come into effect in December with the caveat that we are well used to in these times, unless public health conditions change.

The Status Quo will be maintained until the second Sunday of Advent, December 5.

It is important that we have sufficient time to let parishioners know of the changes and we are urged to approach the loosening of restrictions with great caution.

On December 5, the **10 am Service will require proof of full vaccination**; however, the 8 am Service will remain unchanged, and no proof of vaccination is required;

Once the proof of full vaccination is implemented, physical distancing is still recommended. Masks are mandatory and must be worn by everyone at all times except for communion.

No social hour until further notice.

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 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.

Livestreaming

The livestream will begin this week at 9:55 and will include the baptism of Isla Charlotte, Everly Lennon and Elyas Logan.

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](#).

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Vacation

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

Office Hours

The office will be open most Friday mornings from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon. Please call ahead to make sure someone is in.

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.

Church Directories

A new church directory will be printed shortly. If any of your contact information has changed, please notify the office. If you wish to have a copy of the directory, please notify the church office. You may receive the directory in paper or electronic form. To receive a directory, you must have given permission to have your own name printed in the directory.

Bazaar

[Here](#) is the bazaar order form. New this week, you can pre-order delicious Apple or Cherry Pies and small Carrot Cakes. Don't worry, there are other types of pie coming but they will be available on different weeks.

There is also some frozen cookie dough on offer. It is a different supplier than last year and the cookies are smaller so the price is also different from last year. There are 250 jars of delicious preserves for you to choose from although over 100 jars have been sold and some items have sold out. We also have knitted dishcloths available. Soup mixes and turkey pies are currently available. (Turkey pies are 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. Any orders received during the week will be ready

for pick up the following Sunday, or by arrangement with Pauline and Cynthia.

This year you may pay by cash, cheque or e-transfer to the church. (See instructions on e-transfer below) If you e-transfer, please let the office know so that it can be retrieved from spam, if required.

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: knitted scarves, hats and socks, Janis's wonderful hand-made cards, mince tarts and shortbread. Other details will be released as they become available.

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

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 you will be at church on Sunday and you would like turkey pies, you may pick them up by speaking to Cynthia or Pauline. If you will not be at church, you may contact the office at 613-224-7431 or stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca and place your order. Payment may be made in cash, cheque or by e-transfer to stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca.

Puddings

Puddings are now available: 400 grams \$7.00, and 800 grams \$14.00.

To order puddings, please contact Cynthia Greer. There will also be a sign up sheet in the Link. Cynthia will try to give them out on Sundays. Please put the cheque or cash in an envelope with your name on.

Cynthia Greer 613-723-2680
greercynthia69@yahoo.com

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,

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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 613 262-4108.

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The Anchor – News from our neighbours at Julian of Norwich

The Anchor is a collaborative neighbourhood created by The Anglican Diocese of Ottawa, Julian of Norwich Anglican Church, and Ottawa-based affordable housing charity Multifaith Housing Initiative. The Anchor's primary guiding objective is to create a collaborative community that maximizes land use for the purpose of social good and quality of life.

The property, located at the corner of Merivale Road and Rossland Avenue, will be comprised of approximately 60 units of affordable housing, a community garden, public greenspace, community gathering space, and space for worship. The project seeks to reimagine and redevelop the existing 2 1/2 acre property on Merivale Road in a way that will...

- Be founded on the principles of collaboration, ecological responsibility, inter-faith understanding, openness to diversity, and intergenerational engagement
- Respond to needs and gaps in our community, including affordable housing and accessible community space
- Be done in partnership with other organizations and residents who are committed to the social good

The Anchor will be the sixth affordable housing community of Multifaith Housing Initiative (MHI), an Ottawa-based charitable non-profit that provides affordable housing. It is being strengthened by The Anglican

Diocese of Ottawa and the parishioners of Julian of Norwich Anglican Church who are leaders in creating inclusive programming and supportive housing that seeks to strengthen individuals and families in the neighbourhoods in which they serve.

[This](#) is a link to the information letter that went out. It contains more information on the development and on a series of public meetings.

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>.

Contacting the Church

You may contact the office at 613-224-7431 or stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca. 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