



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

Dear friends,

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

Black History Month

Building Alliances, Walking Together



Feb 6 – Rt. Rev. Shane Parker, Bishop of Ottawa

Feb 13 – Camille Isaacs-Morell, a deeply committed Christian whose work and interests defy titles

Feb 20 – Rawlson King, Ottawa City Councillor, Rideau Rockliffe Ward

Feb 27 – Rev. Julian Campbell

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.

Livestreaming

The service will be streamed at 10 am on Sunday, February 6. Here are the links for the [service](#) and the [bulletin](#). The link is also available on the home page of our website: <http://www.stmarksottawa.ca>

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. The stream is available to watch immediately. Auto captions appear usually by Monday or Tuesday and corrected captions usually by Wednesday or Thursday.

In-person 10 am Services Start this Sunday, Feb 6

With the province beginning to open up, the Diocese is allowing us to resume in-person worship services cautiously. Here is how we will proceed:

- The 10 a.m. service will resume on Sunday February 6. A date for the resumption of the 8 a.m. service has not been set yet.
- Pre-register by phone (613-224-7431) or by email (stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca) due to a capacity limit of approximately 50 people.
- Anyone with COVID symptoms should assume that they have the virus and stay home

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Endless Road, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

<https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=55314> [retrieved January 13, 2022]. Original source:

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- Provide proof of double vaccination, if you have not shown it to us before. Booster shots are strongly encouraged.
- Masks must be worn when you enter the building and throughout the service, except when taking communion. Three-layer, medical or N95 masks are encouraged.
- Physical distancing must be maintained at all times, with worshippers seated at least 2 metres apart from each other unless they are members of the same household.
- No congregational singing is permitted.
- Come warmly dressed since some windows will be open to improve ventilation.
- Leave the church promptly after the service

We anticipate further loosening of our diocesan COVID protocols in the coming weeks. Consult the St Mark's website (www.stmarksottawa.ca) for updates.

Cross Talk Article

Fr Julian has an article on page 10 of this month's Crosstalk. If you haven't seen the paper version, check it out [here](#).

Bible Study Continues

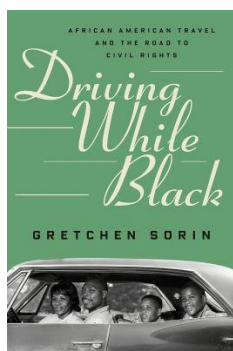
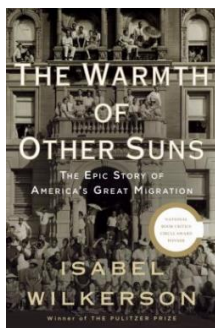
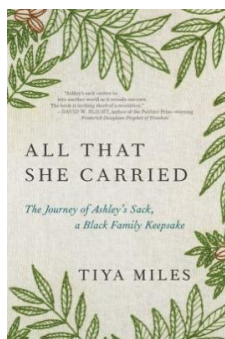
The teaching sessions via Zoom are continuing this Wednesday at 7 pm. As always, you will be sent the material ahead of time

Please contact Fr Julian for more information or to register. frejc@stmarksottawa.ca

Black History Month Reading List

During our first Black History Month which we celebrated with Father Julian I created a number of book displays which was enthusiastically received not only by our parishioners but also our speakers. Because of COVID19 this hasn't been something that could be shared in the parish. This year I have put together a list of some of the more recent books available at the Ottawa Public Library that you might consider reading. Some are already checked out but can be requested for a later date if you wish. Just click on the link provided.

[Black History Month 2022-Books for Adult Readers - Ottawa Public Library](#)



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Bio of Bishop Shane

Bishop Shane will be preaching on Sunday morning as part of our Black History Month series. We have asked for brief biographies of all of our guest speakers. Part of this is in the online bulletin, but the full bio follows (brief being a relative term). While I certainly know who he is, I did not know some of this background information.

The Right Reverend Shane Alexander Donaldson Parker was born to Irish parents in Edmonton on Treaty 6 Territory, and lived in western Canada during his childhood. He worked as a labourer for several years before undergraduate and graduate studies in sociology at Carleton University, and was a professional sociologist prior to studies in theology at Saint Paul University. He was ordained priest in the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa in 1987 and was appointed Dean of Ottawa and Rector of Christ Church Cathedral in 1999. Prior to his appointment as dean, he served as a parish priest and as the diocesan archdeacon. On March 14, 2020, he was elected to be the 10th Bishop of the Diocese of Ottawa, and was consecrated and seated on Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2020.

Bishop Shane is well-known in the Ottawa region and in various national and international circles through participation in a number of organizations and causes. He has served as a part-time professor of pastoral ministry and sociology at Saint Paul University and currently chairs its Anglican Studies Advisory Committee. Between 2005 and 2020 he was a member of Carleton University's Research Ethics Board. Following a long period of writing for the Ottawa Citizen's Ask the Religion Experts column, a collection of his insightful essays was published by Novalis in a book called [Answering the Big Questions](#). In 2010 he was the recipient of the Interfaith Ottawa Award, presented by the Mayor of the City of Ottawa, for devoted service to promoting interfaith dialogue and cooperation.

Bishop Shane has trained in mediation and reconciliation, and is an associate member of

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the Ontario Association of Family Mediators. He has established close connections with Coventry Cathedral (UK) and its ministry of reconciliation known as the Community of the Cross of Nails, an international peace and reconciliation network; and with Saint George's Anglican Cathedral in Jerusalem, which is deeply committed to interfaith dialogue, peace, and reconciliation. He is the president of the Community of the Cross of Nails – Canada (the Canadian branch of Coventry's network).

Bishop Shane is married to Katherine Shadbolt, who practices family law. He has three adult children and several grandchildren. He is an advanced sea-kayaker and cross-country skier, and enjoys off-trail snowshoeing in the winter and hiking in the summer, especially in the coastal regions of Ireland and Scotland. He enjoys the peace of his small workshop.

Composer of Sunday Morning Prelude

The composer of our prelude on Sunday morning is Florence Beatrice Price (née Smith; April 9, 1887 – June 3, 1953). She was an African-American classical composer, pianist, organist and music teacher, born in Little Rock, Arkansas, educated at the New England Conservatory of Music, who was active in Chicago from 1927 until her death in 1953. Price is noted as the first African-American woman to be recognized as a symphonic composer, and the first to have a composition played by a major orchestra. Price composed over 300 works: four symphonies, four concertos, as well as choral works, plus art songs, and music for chamber and solo instruments. In 2009, a substantial collection of her works and papers was found in her abandoned summer home.

Vestry reports

It is that time of year!! Our vestry will be February 27 and again it will be a Zoom vestry. I am asking for Vestry Reports to be submitted to the office by **February 13** which will give me 5 days to pull everything together and the vestry report and agenda will be delivered along with the newsletter of

February 18. Early reports are welcomed with open arms. Only groups that were active during 2021 need to submit a report.

Thank you in advance for your timely response. – Joy!

Photo Backgrounds

Although for this week and next week, I am using artwork, I continue to look for photo backgrounds for online services and the bulletins. I tend to usually mostly nature shots in landscape format. (wide rather than tall) – Joy!

Office Hours

The office will reopen this week from 9:30 am to noon on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Church Directories

The new directories are actually printed. If you wish to arrange to pick up your copy, please contact the office. If you would like an electronic copy, please email the office.

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>.

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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