



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.

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.

- Ray Davidson turns 89 on June 16th

Livestreaming

The service will be streamed at 10 am on Sunday. 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>

Annual Picnic

After a two-year absence, the annual picnic will take place on the front lawn on Sunday June 26th. Again, please let Cynthia know if you will be there, since she don't want to over buy. Sausages and hotdogs will be for sale, including dessert of some kind likely cup cakes and ice-cream.

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Debra Dynes Food Bank

As we all know, Ottawa Food Banks are currently running on empty due to an unprecedented demand for food within the community.

Please consider making donations not only of food products but of cash. When you donate cash, the food bank is able to purchase food in large quantities at wholesale rates. The DDFB will spend time researching and

Coffee, Company & Conversation

CCC takes place from 10 – 11:30 am on Thursday mornings in the church hall. It is a place to share and enjoy coffee and snacks (in accordance with protocols). All people attending need to have been vaccinated at least twice and wear a mask. Friends and neighbours are welcome. CCC will continue until June 21.

negotiating with distributors to find the best deal on canned fruits, veggies and protein to ensure that they get the best value per dollar spent.

Every \$1 that you donate provides food for two whole meals to feed a hungry neighbour in need.

You may give your donation to me for delivery to DDFB or mail a cheque directly to: DDFB, 955 DEBRA AVE., STE 85, OTTAWA, K2C 0J5. All donations are tax deductible.

Thank you,

Joan Hounsell, Outreach

SPMC Stage 3

Our meeting for SPMC Stage 3 is Tuesday, June 28 at 7 pm. St Paul's Kanata, 20 Young Road. Parish clergy and Lay Members of Synod (or alternates) are expected to attend, but any interested member of your parish is also very welcome to register and attend. Registration for in-person or by Zoom is required at <https://spmstage3.eventbrite.ca/>. The deadline to register is June 24, 2022. If you have any questions, please contact Fr Julian.

Support for Ukrainian Refugees

Once again many thanks to all who contribute baked goods, coffee and tea for the classes. Please note that juice boxes and small paper plates are also needed. Any leftovers that we deliver on Tuesdays are refrigerated for the Thursday sessions and then the students are welcome to take home whatever may be left.

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On June 7, Fr. Julian along with Joan Hounsell, Jenny Morphew, Gary Miller and I delivered the contributions to Algonquin. You will note from the photos that they were involved in teaching English. All said it was an enjoyable and rewarding experience. Gary has let me know that he will return to Algonquin to teach in the Thursday session. Anyone is welcome to accompany him on Thursday to sit in on a class or help out. Just let me know.



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What is needed for the future:

1. Baked goods, juices, coffee, milk. Please plate your baked goods. Anything else you wish to contribute such as cheese, crackers are welcome. A roster of bakers is placed on the bulletin board in the link. Please add or delete your name as your priorities may have changed. Goods can be delivered to the church on Sunday or brought to the church Tuesday morning between 11:45 AM and 12:15 PM.

2. English as a second language (ESL) instructors. You don't have to be ESL certified to instruct but willing to carry on conversations with Ukrainians learning English and be innovative in developing topics to discuss.

Please let me know if you would like to help out in providing ESL instruction. Classes are held Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. There is a more relaxed conversation/coffee break from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

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Pastoral Care Team

Fr Julian is forming a pastoral care team. If you are interested in being part of this or have questions, please contact Fr Julian at frjulian@stmarksottawa.ca

Change of Email Address for Fr Julian

Fr Julian has a new email address since the last one was hacked and used to send scam email. The new address is FrJulian@stmarksottawa.ca

Changes to COVID restrictions

The diocese entered into the Green stage of the Pandemic plan on June 1. In its communiqué, it states “It’s increasingly clear the pandemic is not going away any time soon and entering the Green stage, rather than just saying “we’re back to normal”, is an important symbol that we are still operating under the pandemic plan—and an acknowledgment that restrictions could increase again if the virus resurges (as it has the two previous falls, after more open summers).”

At St Mark’s, we will stay in modified yellow (status quo) during the month of June with some gradual changes throughout the month.

- Masks are still required until further notice.
- No Proof of Vaccine required to enter the church as of June 5
- The table at the front of the nave will be removed June 12 and Communion will be administered at the rail. Distance must be maintained.
- The Peace is status quo until further notice.
- ¼ of the nave will remain with “distancing tape” until further notice.

Walk-in Vaccine Clinic

There are walk-in vaccine clinics operating at the Emerald Plaza library and the multi-purpose room at 1341 Meadowlands for the next while. They are not that busy so if you are looking for another dose, it is a great way to go. They will be open until the end of June.

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Parkwood Hills Public Health Neighbourhood Vaccination Hub	Centre de vaccination de quartier de sante publique Parkwood Hills
Tuesday 1 pm – 7 pm Closed – 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm Saturday 10 am – 4 pm Closed - 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm	Mardi de 13 h à 19 h Fermé de 15 h 30 à 16 h 30 Samedi de 10 h à 16 h Fermé de 12 h 30 à 13 h 30
Emerald Plaza Library 1547 Merivale Rd.	Bibliothèque Emerald Plaza 1547, ch. Merivale
Wednesday 8 am – 1 pm Closed - 11 am to 12 pm Friday 10 am – 4 pm Closed - 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm	Mercredi de 8 h à 13 h Fermé de 11 h à 12 h Vendredi de 10 h à 16 h Fermé de 12 h 30 à 13 h 30
Multipurpose Room 1341 Meadowlands Dr.	Multipurpose Room 1341, prom. Meadowlands
For more information on where to get vaccinated, scan the QR code:	Pour en savoir plus sur les endroits où vous pouvez vous faire vacciner, scannez le code QR ci-dessous :



E-Prayer

Do you have prayer concerns that you would like support with? Do you want to know how your fellow parishioners and their families, former parishioners and former clergy are doing? You want e-prayer. E-prayer is run by Margaret Lodge and prayer concerns are sent out by email as they come up. Margaret does a great job of sending out the concerns and providing pictures and background information when appropriate. Everyone who is on the list can be assured that they are current with the needs and concerns of the parish. The office only announces the deaths of current members. To join the e-prayer list, please contact drblodge@sympatico.ca.

Office Hours

The office is open from 9:30 am to noon on Wednesdays and Fridays. The office will not be open on April 6.

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