



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.

are resuming our usual summer practice this year. This means:

1. There will be one service at 9 am beginning on July 3 and continuing until September 4. The 8 and 10 am services will resume on September 11.
2. There are sign-up rosters for the whole of the summer available in the link. All of the jobs are there. The only thing that has been previously scheduled is the coffee roster. If you find you are scheduled on a Sunday when you are unable to come, please cross your name out and see if you can find

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.

- Vern and Gwen MacLean will be celebrating their 59th Wedding Anniversary on June 29th. They are thankful to the Good Lord for giving us so many years together and also blessing them with three wonderful children and two precious grandchildren as well!
- George and Juanita Hopkinson celebrate their 66th wedding anniversary. .

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>

Summer is Coming!

For the first time in two years we are heading into the summer with in-person worship. We

someone to replace you. The readings for July are now available

This is a great time to explore jobs that you have been thinking about but were not ready to get tied into a regular

schedule. If you want to try serving, prayers or administering the chalice, please speak to Fr Julian first.

Annual Picnic

Our picnic takes place this Sunday, June 26th after the 10 a.m. service. Please come into the hall for a few minutes even if you cannot attend the picnic.

The cost is \$5.00, (no increase this year), for sausages/jumbo hotdogs, and dessert. Profits will be given to Debra-Dynes family house.

There will be a basket available for those wishing to make a donation.

St Mark's Picnic

Sunday June 26, 2022

following the 10am service join us for coffee hour and then for \$5 - buy your lunch sausages or jumbo hotdogs includes drink, chips, cup-cake and ice-cream

proceeds to:

Debra-Dynes Food Bank

if you can't attend there will be a pot for donations thank you for your support



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Come, relax, eat, and enjoy, taking the usual Covid precautions.

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A New Banner for National Indigenous Day of Prayer

Penny Miller very kindly volunteered to make a new banner for us for National Indigenous Day of Prayer with a panel she had purchased. Here is an image of the finished banner. The triangles on the side are known in quilting circles as flying geese,



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 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

Support for Ukrainian Refugees

The Algonquin College Chaplain asked me to convey his heartfelt thanks to St. Mark's for our continued contributions of baked goods, coffee, juices, and paper products. We are the only church providing contributions on a regular weekly basis and it is very much appreciated. Many thanks to the generous St. Mark's bakers!

Please add or delete your name from the roster on the bulletin board in the link if your priorities have changed. You can bring your plated baked goods and other contributions to the church on Sunday or between 11:45 am - 12:15 pm Tuesday mornings. Food gift certificates are also needed and welcomed. Any monetary donation will be used to purchase grocery certificates from St. Mark's dollar for dollar. Several parishioners are also helping with English instruction.

This support to the Ukrainian refugees will continue until August 18. If you want to contribute in any way, please contact Suzanne Bisson at 613-727-5892 or suzanne.m.bisson@gmail.com

Thank you

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

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you have any questions, please contact Fr Julian.

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.

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