



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.

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

Last Call for Preserves

There are a very few jars of preserves left over from the fall. They will be available after church on Sunday, July 29 at half price to clear them out before the new preserves come in the fall. The prices listed below are the reduced prices. If you wish to reserve jars, please contact the office at

stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca

3 jars (500 mL) Hot Salsa \$3.50 each

1 jar (125 mL) Roasted Red Jalapeno sauce \$1.50

1 jars (250 mL) Red Pepper Jelly \$2.50 each

That's it, 5 jars left. We started with 375 jars of preserves.

Joy Bowerman – Bazaar Coordinator

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 Evening for it to be included in the service for the following Sunday.

Livestreaming

The service will be streamed at 9 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 Office

During the summer, the office will only be open on Friday mornings. Joan Grayer will be editing the newsletter over the summer.

If you have newsletter items you may send it to the office or you may send it to Joan at joangrayer@yahoo.ca

Summer is Here!

For the first time in two years we are resuming our usual summer practice. This means:

1. There is one service at 9 am 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 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

St. Mark's Gardens

A huge thank you to the kind soul who did extra weeding of the garden in the past 2 weeks. I think the angelic elf (elves) have been busy. Weeders are always needed especially at the front entrance and side gardens. If you have any time to spare, please feel free to help with the upkeep. Any questions, see Joan Grayer or email at joangrayer@yahoo.ca

Debra Dynes School Supplies

For the past 2 COVID years your donated school supplies for Debra Dynes have been collected in the church parking lot. This year we will be collecting in person in the church. How exciting! Please consider supporting this very worthwhile Outreach program in the month of August by donating pens, pencils, markers, binders, paper, lunchboxes or any other Back-to-School items you feel are necessary. Donations can be left in the blue bin in the Link. Once I get a more extensive list of school supplies from DDFH I will share that in the Newsletter.

Cash or cheques are also a good idea. The DDFH can then buy school supplies in bulk.

Thank you once again for your continued support during the month of August.

Debra Dynes Food Bank

Ottawa Food Banks continue to run 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

Knitting Galore It was wonderful to visit my friend Doreen Matweow. For many years Doreen took care of the “knitted goods” table at the church bazaar and provided many pairs of socks, toques, scarves and baby blankets that she knitted. And in hopeful anticipation of the 2022 church bazaar, Doreen has kept busy knitting up a storm over the past months. As well Doreen knits toques and scarves for the Debra Dynes Family House as shown in the photo below. Many thanks to Doreen! Submitted by Suzanne

Recycling Procedures

We are no longer collecting batteries or ink cartridges. Batteries can be returned to Emerald Plaza library. Staples and BestBuy accept ink cartridges.



Forward Day by Day

The Forward Day by Day booklets from August through November are now available in the link.

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Paving on Fisher

The City of Ottawa has notified us that Fisher Ave. will be repaved from Meadowlands to Prince of Wales during the summer months.

Summer Camps

What's happening at St. Mark's on weekdays in July and August? We welcome back a summer camp run by Carleton Memorial Daycare Centre, they have rented the upper hall for this camp for quite a few years. You will see some of their cupboards and equipment cleared to the sides of the hall when you come in.

This year they are joined by Peddleheads, which is a group that teaches bicycle skills to children, who enroll for week long camps. Peddleheads have rented the back parking lot, use of the downstairs washroom and also the lower hall if needed on a rainy day.

We wish the campers good luck and hope they enjoy lots of fun over the summer.

Support for Ukrainian Refugees

Many thanks to all the people who have contributed baking, food vouchers, monetary donations and their time as English teachers for this very worthy outreach program.

There is a roster of names on the bulletin board in the link of parishioners who bring baking for the refugees. Plated baked goods can be brought to the church on Sunday or between 11:45 am and 12:15 pm.

The campus minister has let us know that there are now over 400 Ukrainian refugees enrolled in English as a second language (ESL). Because their space is limited, many are taking ESL virtually.

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

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-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

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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