St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church 1606 Fisher Ave, Ottawa ON K2C 1X6



Weekly Newsletter

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

Ordination of Stephanie McWatt

Many of you will remember Stephanie McWatt from her video appearances from Fall 2020 through Spring 2021 when she was doing a placement with us while completing her studies at Wycliffe College. Stephanie is currently the Deacon-in-Charge of St Clare's Parish, North Dundas. Stephanie found out this week that she will be ordained to the priesthood on November 19, the Feast of St Hilda of Whitby. Congratulations to Stephanie and every blessing as she continues in her ministry.

Live Streaming

The service will be streamed at 10 am on Sunday. Here are the links for the <u>service</u> and the <u>bulletin</u>. The link is also available on the home page of our website: <u>http://www.stmarksottawa.ca</u>

Charge to Synod

Synod is going on this weekend so please remember our synod delegates Fr Julian, Suzanne Bisson, Judy Life in your prayers.

You made read the charge to synod here.

Fall Bazaar 2022

The Fall Bazaar this year will be a combination of in-person and online. The inperson bazaar will be on November 5 from 10

FALL BAZAAR 2022 November 5, 2022

10 AM TO 2 PM

am to 2 pm. It will take place only in the upstairs. There will be no Attic Treasures, rummage or clothing.

Delicious Baking, Yummy Preserves and soup mixes, a Café offering soup, beverages, muffins & squares, Wonderful Handcrafts including knitting, Janis's Fabulous Cards, Jenny's Books, some amazing Plants, Puddings & Calendars will be available.

If you have any of these things to contribute, please contact the office.

As well as the in-person bazaar occurring on November 5, there will also be online offerings. The preserves list will come out next Friday and you may place your orders for pick up at the bazaar or on Sunday. There will also be a variety of baking offered from November 13 through December 11, including (but not limited to) pies, carrot cakes, mince tarts, turkey pies and Christmas Cookie boxes.

I hope to have some posters available on Sunday, if you would like to take a couple to post.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, would like to work on November 5th or have items you would like to contribute. Thank you to those people I have already heard from.

-Joy Bowerman, Bazaar Convenor

Thank you

Thank you much for attending, and making the luncheon such a happy occasion. We also raised \$280.00 to send to St Luke's Table. Thank you for your generosity, as always. – Cynthia

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Our thanks go to Cynthia for organizing and her team for providing food and keeping everything running smoothly,

Donation to PWRDF from the book table

Jenny has sent \$100 raised from the book table to PWRDF in support of the Maritimes in the wake of hurricane Fiona.

Coffee, Company & Conversation

On October 27, just before Halloween, CCC will hold its traditional "Halloween Hijinks", where those who wish may dress up in costume on that day and prizes are awarded to the best costumes. This entertaining morning has been a highlight in past years. Costumes are not mandatory, just fun. Come and enjoy a not so scary, Happy (pre) Halloween time.

All are welcome- Bring a friend

Forward Day by Day

The November to January Forward Day by Day are now available. The cost of them has risen and \$2 would allow us to actually cover the cost of the booklets.

129th Women's Cursillo Weekend

We have the minimum number of candidates needed to hold the Weekend. Thinking of sponsoring a candidate? Additional applications will be received up until October 25.

Please Pray for the Lay Rector, Team and Those Who Will Be Coming On The Weekend!

Theme: Joshua 1:9 "Be strong & courageous, do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord Your God is with you wherever you go."

November 4 - November 6 2022

Galilee House 398 John St N Arnprior, ON K7S 2P6

https://oacm.ca/wp/event-items/129thwomens-cursillo-weekend/

Please remember to speak to Clergy first before approaching a potential candidate.

Office Hours

The office will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 to noon.

Outreach and Debra Dynes

Now that the days and nights are getting colder please consider making a donation to DDFH of hats, mitts, scarves, socks and longjohns to help our neighbours who are less fortunate than us stay warm. Cash and cheques are always welcome to enable buying in bulk. The Food Bank is always grateful for donations made. During this ongoing period of food insecurity your generosity is appreciated.

I will make deliveries as items are left in the blue bin.

Thank you,

Joan Hounsell, Outreach

Diocesan Day Program Donations

The Diocesan Day Programs (St Luke's Table, The Well, and Centre 454) are in dire need of several items: Razors, Socks, Toilet paper, Men's underwear (M, L), Women's underwear (S, M) and crockpots. If you have any of these items to donate, please bring them in to the church (either Friday morning or Sunday morning) and they will be taken to the drop off point.

To Mask or Not to Mask

COVID-19 continues to circulate in Ottawa, and influenza is expected to increase this fall. Masks offer protection from both of these respiratory viruses. The province and the Diocese have removed mask mandates, as have we at St Mark's. While masking has become optional at St Mark's, continued use of a mask at church will reduce exposure. We also offer pews designated for physical distancing in the quarter of the church along the north wall.

Changes to COVID restrictions

The masking requirement was lifted on Sunday, September 18[,] The following procedures remain in place

- Masks are still recommended but not required.
- 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 <u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u>. 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 <u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u>. 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