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



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.

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>

Funeral for Kim Blakeney

Kim Blakeney, the daughter of Margaret Blakeney, passed away on the afternoon on January 8, 2023 after a short illness. The funeral is on Thursday January 19 at Capital Memorial Gardens, 3700 Prince of Wales Drive.

Visitation is at 10 am, the funeral service at 11 am followed by burial and reception in the same location.

Weekly Newsletter

Dear friends,

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

Bible Study

Bible Study will commence via Zoom on the following dates, January 18 to February 15 and March 1 to March 29 at 7 pm. The theme for these sessions will be Seasons and Reasons. If you are interested, please notify the office via phone or email. A Zoom link with reading material will be forthcoming.

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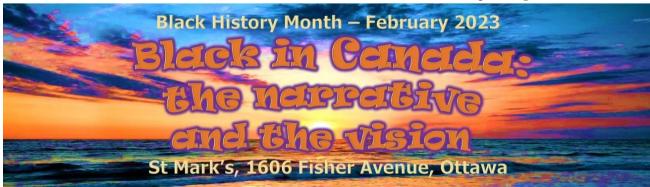


A large donation of toys from our pre- Covid Sunday School was made to Debra Dynes Family House on Wednesday . Thanks to Janis and Michael for their help with loading the car and unloading at DDFH. A lot of the toys went to new homes within minutes of our arrival. I spoke to Barbara Carroll (Executive Director) who thanks St Mark's profusely for our continued generosity. She told me that DDFH delivered over 600 toys this past Christmas ...so the need is real.

Joan Hounsell, Outreach

Bazaar and Spring Market

The Fall Bazaar and Spring Market combined brought in \$10, 243. This the highest total to date. I was remiss last week in saying that this total also includes a generous donation from Mothers' Union from pudding sales.



Coffee, Company & Conversation

January 12 was a morning of cards and games and an abundance of lively conversation. Next week, January 19 will be coffee, treats, company and conversation. The treats will undoubtedly incorporate some freshly-made Seville Orange Marmalade.

As a rule, if school buses are not running, CCC will also be cancelled.

Forward Day by Day

The February to April Forward Day by Day are now available. The cost of them has risen and \$3 would allow us to actually cover the cost of the booklets.

Office Hours

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

Changes to COVID restrictions

The masking requirement was reinstated for all liturgical leaders on Sunday, October 30[°] The following procedures remain in place

- Masks are still recommended for all members of the congregation but required for all liturgical leaders.
- 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