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Weekly Newsletter

Dear friends,

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



Black History Month Guest Speaker

Dr Joy Mighty is a Professor Emerita from Carleton University where she held appointments as Associate Vice-President (Teaching and Learning), Senior Scholar for Innovation in Teaching and Learning, and Full Professor in the Sprott School of Business and the Pauline Jewett Institute of Women's and Gender Studies in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Prior to her work at Carleton, Dr Mighty served as Director of the Centre for Teaching and Learning and Professor in the School of Business at Queen's University. She was also the coordinator of the Teaching and Learning Centre and a professor in the Faculty of

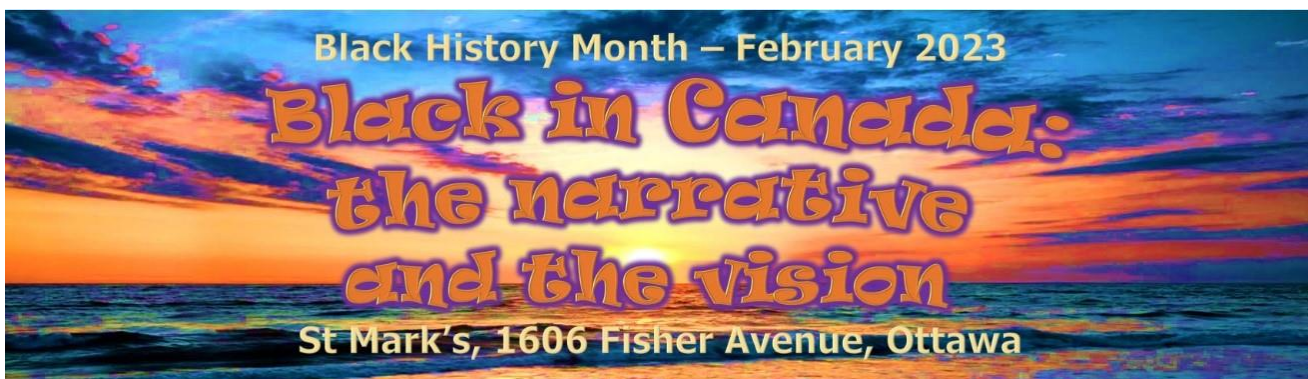
Shout Outs

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.

- Alan Reed celebrated his birthday on Sunday January 22nd
- His wife Mary Reed (Virtual Congregation) on Thursday January 26th along with her twin Michael Powell who lives in Kamloops BC.
- Ray Davidson welcomed the birth of an eight great grandchild on Jan 12th. Her name is Bria and she is a daughter of Samantha (my Granddaughter) and Mike O'Rourke.

Live Streaming

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>



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Business Administration at the University of New Brunswick.

Dr Mighty has an eclectic academic background and a wealth of experience as an administrator, teacher, educational developer, researcher and consultant. Her special interests are organizational development and change, as well as equity, diversity and the scholarship of teaching and learning. A past president of the STLHE, she was also the inaugural chair of the Educational Developers Caucus and Canada's representative on the Council of the International Consortium for Educational Development. She currently chairs the STLHE Task Force on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion. A frequently sought keynote speaker, Dr Mighty has received awards for excellence in teaching, research, professional service and leadership, and is the 2020 recipient of the Christopher Knapper Lifetime Achievement Award.

Children's Black History Art Work - February 12

St. Rita's School will participate in our Black History Month celebrations on Sunday February 12 at 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm. Children in grades 4, 5 and 6 will submit drawings, paintings, collage work, etc., commemorating Black History, which will be displayed in our hall and link. The parents, principal and teacher along with the children have been invited to attend. Please join us in welcoming the children and support their efforts in creating art to celebrate Black History.

Statement from the Prime Minister on Black History Month

The prime minister has issued a statement on Black History Month reaffirming the government's support of Black History Month and encouraging everyone to participate in local events. The full text of the statement may be found [here](#).

Black History Month Food

Two items re food in February:

1) Everyone is invited to participate in the food donations on any Sunday in February. If you have an Afro/ Caribbean specialty that

you would like to share with our guests please bring it in to the kitchen before 9:45 on any Sunday morning.

2) Please provide a "Ingredients List" with all food donated during the month.

Thank you in advance,

Joan
BHM Food Coordinator

Turkey Pies

Turkey Pies were made this week and will be available Sunday. They are \$6 each. If you wish to reserve some, please contact the office.

Diocesan Community Ministry Needs

We are reaching out as we are very low on supplies for our three day programs.

Some of our dire needed items are:

- Empty pill bottles - with labels removed
- Mugs - used
- Bath, hand, and face towels - can be gently used
- Mens and womens socks - can be gently used
- Mens underwear - large - must be new
- Women's underwear - med- must be new

Please share this list with family and friends.

Kimberly Latka

If you bring any of these items in to St Mark's, you may leave them in the conference room and they will be distributed to the appropriate location.

Coffee, Company & Conversation

Coffee, Company and Conversation hosted the group Plaid on Thursday, February 2nd and the music was both nostalgic and fun. The group consists of five musicians. Leslie Worden on accordion is well known to many St. Mark's parishioners. She and her four music mates are multi-talented. Their theme was Scottish in honour of Robbie Burns, as they were to have entertained last week, Thus the decor and food mirrored this theme and many of Scots descent, as well as all those present, enjoyed the morning.

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On February 9, the theme will be Cards, Games and "Groups". The addition of "Groups" refers to the establishment of a small group who like to write and who will meet once a month during the CCC morning. A second new group also want to meet once a month to share the books they've read with other "bookworms". These two new aspects of Coffee, Company and Conversation have come about as a result of requests from coffee morning regulars. Other attendees may just want to continue sharing with CCC friends while enjoying coffee or tea and snacks by our famous bakers. Come and join us for a sociable time with other seniors and bring a friend.

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

Vestry

Vestry this year will be on March 12. **Vestry reports will be due on or before February 19** (or before you leave on holiday, as the case may be). The annual report to vestry will be sent out electronically the following week. If you wish to receive a paper copy of the report, please notify the office and they will print a copy for you.

Nominations Committee

The Nomination Committee has been established and nominations are underway to fill vacancies in Parish Council.

Bible Study

Bible Study will continue via Zoom to February 15 and resume 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.

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.

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 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