

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

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# **Weekly Newsletter**

Dear friends,

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



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.

- Ray Davidson celebrates his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 16<sup>th</sup>
- Karen and Bill Barber celebrate their 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 21<sup>st</sup>

### 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:

http://www.stmarksottawa.ca



Last Sunday, one of our parishioners brought her visiting family with her.



We celebrated Corpus Christi will a loaf of home-made bread and a beautiful display of grapes and Annabella made her debut as crucifer.



# **Summer Services**

There will be one Sunday service at 9 am from July 2 to September 3

Sign up rosters are now available in the link.

PLEASE SIGN UP!

# Coffee, Company & Conversation

On June 15 will be Card, Games and Creative Writing Group were enjoyed by all. Next week, June 22, will be our last meeting until September.



During the week, Fr Julian led a service at the Eastern Ontario Christian Senior Citizens Coop Home where Sheila Pitt lives.



# **Appointment Announcement**

Bishop Shane is pleased to announce the appointment of the Venerable Kathryn Otley as Incumbent of the parish of All Saints Westboro and Archdeacon of Ottawa West, effective September 12, 2023.

#### Request for Refeshments

Dear friends of Campus Ministry,

We are looking for volunteers to help us with baked goods for Wednesday workshops, 6-8pm, to feed Ukrainian newcomers affected by war. Every Wednesday on average we have 30 participants attending the college campus, and each week welcome new arrivals to Ottawa. If you are willing to help and support this cause, please contact the chaplain, Yuriy, at <a href="mailto:derkacy@algonquincollege.com">derkacy@algonquincollege.com</a>; or call at extension 5341. God bless you!

Jack Wilson Chairperson Campus Ministry at Algonquin College

# Volunteer (s) needed

Effect Hope is an organization that supports people and communities affected by tropical diseases such as leprosy. We help in this quest by sending in used stamps, which are then sold to stamp collectors. The proceeds are used to ensure that all people affected by tropical diseases have access to health care and community support.

Over the past years Doreen Matweow processed the stamps, however she is no longer able to do so. People are needed to carry on this important outreach activity. Individuals and other churches donate their used stamps to St. Mark's. The stamps are cut leaving 1/4 to 1/2 of an inch on the envelope on each side.

If you are interested in taking on this activity, please let the office know and more detailed instructions will be provided.

#### Forward Day by Day

The May to July Forward Day by Day are now available. The August to October booklet has arrived and is available in the office. The cost of them has risen and \$3 would allow us to actually cover the cost of the booklets.

# **COVID** Update

In his most recent communique, our Bishop announced a revision of the Diocesan COVID restrictions. Parishes can now

observe normal social and liturgical practices, with one exception, while following the three main public health recommendations. These are:

- asking people to stay home when sick;
- encouraging mask-wearing in indoor spaces; and
- keeping up-to-date on COVID boosters.

The one liturgical exception to normal practices is that LAC's must wear masks when administering communion.

An easy tool for determining whether you are eligible for a new COVID booster, and how to book one, is found at <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/booster-recommendation/">https://www.ontario.ca/booster-recommendation/</a>

#### Office Hours

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

#### 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 <a href="mailto:stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca">stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</a>. 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 <a href="marks@stmarksottawa.ca">stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca">stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</a>