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.

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:

Summer Camps

Our church building continues to be used over the summer by a number of different groups. As we did last summer, we have 2 day camps operating every day for most of the summer. The Carleton Memorial Daycare operates a daycamp for school age children in Bishop Reed Hall and Pedalheads operates a bicycle camp in the back parking lot, using the lower hall for their inside space. The grounds will certainly by lively!

Office Hours

The office will be open Tuesday and Friday mornings from 9:30 am to noon. Please call ahead. Even volunteers take holidays.

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Canada Day

This Sunday we will mark Canada Day in our Sunday morning Eucharist by offering prayers for our nation. The hymns that have been chosen have a link to Canada. The opening hymn is composed by Robert Fleming, the communion hymn was composed by Healey Willan, and the offertory has the Canadian words for All Things Bright and Beautiful which includes reference to the prairies, mountains and the loon's wild haunting call. (Look for the Caribbean version to come on July 16!)

Request for Refeshments

Dear friends of Campus Ministry,

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!

Volume 4:15 June 30, 2023 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 <u>derkacy@algonquincollege.com</u>; or call at extension 5341. God bless you!

Jack Wilson Chairperson Campus Ministry at Algonquin College

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 <u>https://www.ontario.ca/booster-</u> <u>recommendation/</u>

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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 <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