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. Please send any

news items or announcements for the newsletter to <u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u> with the word newsletter in the subject line.

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.

- Janis & Michael Perkin celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 8
- Russell & Jean Graham celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary on June 9





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Russell & Jean Graham June 9, 1956

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.



Strawberry Tea

Tickets for the Strawberry tea are sold out. Pre ordered tickets will be ready for pick-up during coffee hour on Sunday. Prices are \$14.75 for adults, \$5.75 for ages 5 to 12, and free under 5. Payment is accepted by cash, cheque or e-transfer to

<u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u>. The word strawberry would be a good choice.

Coffee, Company & Conversation

It was with regret that the organizers of CCC had to cancel CCC yesterday, June 6. Due to a power outage that included the Fisher and Normandy Avenues area from 9:30am to 3:30pm, it would have been very difficult to function safely and comfortably. Thus, the third last morning of the season did not take place.

However, next week, on the 13th, the accomplished crime fiction writer, Brenda Chapman, will be speaking at the 2nd last CCC gathering. Don't miss hearing this writer of over twenty books, as well as short stories. She has been shortlisted for a number of writing awards both locally and nationally.

June 20 will be the last coffee morning before closing until early September when a new season will begin. On this last CCC morning, a special lunch for all in attendance, provided by the organizing group, will follow the usual coffee and conversation. So be sure to share in the celebration of a successful 2023/2024 year and all that it included, particularly the conviviality of being with old and new friends.

Is it time to update your COVID vaccine?

Ottawa Public Health is holding a spring vaccination campaign. It includes the recommendation that people over 65 who have not received a COVID-19 vaccine in the past 6 months should do so now. A typical early-summer spike in cases is expected and research has shown that COVID-19 can still cause serious illness among older adults – even more severe than seasonal influenza. If you are eligible for a COVID shot, vaccines are available at pharmacies and at some neighbourhood health and wellness hubs. More information is available at <u>ottawapublichealth.ca</u>

Georgia Roberts & Michael Perkin St Mark's pandemic team

St Mark's @ 75



2019 Picnic – Bruce Lodge, Wes Adams, Doreen Matweow and Wanda Bowman.

Supplies needed for Belong Ottawa

Belong Ottawa is reaching out because the following items are low and they are in much need of donated items. Please see list below.

Underwear (men's and women's M/L) Socks Razors Shaving cream Toilet paper Lip balm Deodorant - Men and women Toothbrushes Toothpaste Combs

Although the winter weather has left, we are looking towards what the sunshine and warmth will bring and how we can meet the needs of our participants.

Suggested items to donate include:

Socks Underwear Deodorant Summer hats Reusable water bottles Shampoo, conditioner Bars of soap Sunscreen

Free Community BBQ

Carleton Heights and Area Residents Association are having a community bbq on June 25 from 5 to 7:30 pm. Fee hamburger or hotdog + drink to t 250 people. Glitter Tattoos, Junkyard Symphony, Bookmobile, Wading Pool & More

Spring Outreach

Thank you to all who donated to the Spring Lunch Campaign for the children of DDFH. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Food insecurity is real ... Please continue to fill the blue bin over the summer months.

There will be a "Back to School" campaign in August ... stay tuned for information about this.

Thank you for your continued support of Debra Dynes Family House .

Joan, Outreach.

Office Hours

The office will be open Monday and Friday mornings from 9:30 am to noon and Wednesday morning from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Please call ahead to make sure someone is there.

Emails Addresses for Key People

The wardens, as well as the paid staff (Fr Julian, Joy and Elaine) all have email addresses in the StMarksOttawa domain. They are:

Fr Julian <u>Frjulian@stmarksottawa.ca</u> Joy: <u>stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca</u> Elaine: <u>Elaine@stmarksottawa.ca</u>

Suzanne Bisson: <u>Suzanne@stmarksottawa.ca</u> Janis Perkin : <u>Janis@stmarksottawa.ca</u> Joseph Amuah : <u>Joseph@stmarksottawa.ca</u> John Hancock : <u>John@stmarksottawa.ca</u>

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. Email is faster.

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