



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

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Dear friends,

your photo (e.g. greeting cards, etc), but there is no obligation to do so.

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

The photography will take place at the back of the church on November 4, 5, and 6 from 2:30 to 8:30 pm. There are still slots left, but if you cannot make any of these dates, you can submit your own photo. Submitted photographs must be either a hard-copy picture, 4" X 6" maximum in size or a digital photo with a file size of at least 1 MB. There is a \$20 fee plus tax (payable to St. Mark's) for submitted photos and you will also receive a copy of the directory.

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

Sign-up sheets will be in the Bishop Reed Hall after service on October 27. Or you can email Suzanne at suzanne.m.bisson@gmail.com and let her know your availability.

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.

We need everyone to participate to make our photo directory complete. This directory will be a lasting keepsake to enjoy and share over the years.

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.

Annual Fall Bazaar – NEXT SATURDAY!

75th Anniversary Keepsake

Let's Get Together and Build Community!

For our 75th anniversary as a parish, St Mark's has engaged a company to take photos of parishioners, which will be made into a pictorial (photo) directory. There is no charge to you nor to St Mark's. Every family or individual who has a photo taken, will receive a complimentary directory. There is also the opportunity for you to purchase copies of

It's hard to believe but the Bazaar is next Saturday! We are still looking for help in a couple of areas – and we need people to come. We are also looking for donations of baking, preserves, craft items and books. There will be a table of Attic Treasures – which is basically high quality rummage. We have some stored in the basement from before the pandemic which we are looking to move along. If you have anything that meets that description, you could bring it in. Also, if you have any items which would work for a



St Mark's Fall Bazaar ~ 2024

1606 Fisher Ave. Ottawa

Saturday November 2, 2024

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Handcrafts (sewing, knitting & other crafts) Preserves, Baking,
Café, Cards, Puddings, Calendars, Books, Puzzles, Plants, Attic Treasures
there will be no Rummage, Jewellery or Clothing

On-line Bazaar October 30 - December 10
information: 613-224-7431 stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca






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Silent Auction, they would be gratefully received.

There will be posters available on Sunday morning, if you have a place to post it, please take one.

There will be an online component to the bazaar and we have lots of tasty baked treats coming up in the weeks following the bazaar, including frozen cookie dough, turkey pies, carrot cakes, mincemeat tarts and Christmas cookie boxes so keep your eye on the newsletter for the order forms. The first order form will come out during the week next week.

If you have items to donate or wish to work at the bazaar, and have not already been contacted, please contact Joy or the office (pretty much the same thing).

Finally, you may drop off any contributions between 9 am and 6 pm on Friday, November 1. I look forward to seeing you.

Calendars and Puddings

Calendars are already available and puddings will soon be made. Please order ahead by putting your name, and order on the appropriate sheets on the Link (hallway) table.

Lost and Found

The Lost and Found bin was overflowing. All the lost and found on the pew/bench in the cloakroom. Please look and make sure that none of it belongs to you. Any items remaining will be sent to Belong Ottawa or another charity.

Coffee, Company & Conversation

Sean Devine, municipal councillor for Ward 9, Knoxdale/Merivale, which includes the St. Mark's location, spoke at yesterday's CCC. There were 48 interested people present to hear about his role as a councillor, as well as the role and responsibilities of City Council. His explanations of the complexities in solving problems facing communities and the city as a whole, were educational. He was both positive and hopeful, but also honest concerning the city's logistical and financial challenges. It was a most enlightening

discussion with many questions which he answered in detail. Everyone was engaged in the morning's presentation, and very appreciative of his presence. It was a morning well spent by citizens and taxpayers of Ottawa.



As always, the food provided to accompany tea and coffee was superb.



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Next week is the annual Halloween Hijinks event, which has become a regular activity that all look forward to. This year our event occurs on Halloween itself, the 31st of October. It may be "scary". Many wear costumes and there are prizes for best costumes. In addition, there will be a Halloween activity which will be fun for each table. Come and be part of a happy Halloween get together.

Debra Dynes Soupacious Ottawa 2024

This annual DDFH fundraiser takes place on Sunday, October 27 at Carleton Heights Community Centre, 1665 Apeldoorn Ave, 4:30 – 7 pm.

This culinary experience allows you to savour yummy soups crafted by talented local chefs. Bring your own spoon and on open mind to savour something new.

Tickets can be purchased using the QR code on the poster in the link. Speak to Joan H or Georgia for more information. Hope to see you on the 27th.

Belong Ottawa Wish List

As we celebrate Thanksgiving, remember those who have so little to be thankful for, the people who are served by Belong Ottawa, - Centre 454, the Well, and St Luke's table.

Items needed are

- Clothing, hats, scarves, mitts gloves, socks and underwear all sizes. Gently used sweaters t-shirts and jeans, or jogging pants, could be brought also.
- Toiletries, towels, soap, deodorant, hand cream, shampoo, combs, tooth brushes and paste..

These articles can be brought all fall and winter. Add a couple of items to your weekly groceries.

Dollar for Dollar Coupons

We still have some dollar for dollar coupons from before the pandemic. We will be selling these at coffee hour until they are gone. They can be used at participating Loblaws, Dominion, No Frills, Real Canadian

Superstore, Maxi, Provigo, Extra Foods, Your Independent Grocer, Atlantic Superstore, Zehrs Markets, Valu-mart, Fortinos, Wholesale Club and T & T Supermarket. Please talk to Joy about purchasing coupons.

Latest Update on COVID 19

From now until October 28th, doses of the new COVID-19 vaccine are prioritized for high-risk and priority populations, which include adults 65 years of age and older. Starting October 28th, anyone 6 months and older can access the COVID-19 vaccine in Ontario. For more details about where you can get your updated vaccine, go to <https://www.ottawapublichealth.ca/en/public-health-topics/covid-19-vaccine.aspx>

In the meantime, please keep using what OPH calls your layers of protection, which work for COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses like influenza (flu) and RSV. These are:

- Stay home when you are sick
- Avoid visiting people at high risk when you are sick
- Consider wearing a mask to protect yourself, to protect others, or when recovering from illness.

A detailed respiratory illness factsheet is available at

https://www.ottawapublichealth.ca/en/public-health-topics/resources/Images/corona/mitigation/Respiratory-Illness-Factsheet_8.5x14_v2023-09-08_EN.pdf

Georgia Roberts and Michael Perkin
St Mark's pandemic team

Pro Organo Recital

The next Pro Organo recital takes place on Monday, October 28 at 7:30 pm at Eglise Ste-Anne/St Clement Church 528 Old St Patrick. It features Isabelle Demers from Montreal. A Memorial Concert in honour of Rachel Laurin, the recital features work by Rachel Laurin, including some of her last organ works. Tickets \$30, \$25 for seniors, \$15 students at the door.

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More Information on the [website](#)

Forward Day By Day

The new Forward Day By Day booklets, covering the months of November, December, January are now available. Nurture your life in Christ with daily Bible readings and meditations from this inspirational resource.

Booklets are displayed in the Link, and cost \$3.

Office Hours

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

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Elaine: Elaine@stmarksottawa.ca

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Janis Perkin : Janis@stmarksottawa.ca

Joseph Amuah : Joseph@stmarksottawa.ca

John Hancock : John@stmarksottawa.ca

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. 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