



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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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 stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca 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, we will be more than happy to announce it. However, it must be in to the office by Wednesday Evening for it to be included in the service for the following Sunday.

- Nnamdi Chiboka celebrates his birthday on April 7

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.

Photo Directories

Our photo directories are here!! You can pick yours up on Sunday or during office hours. (Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30 – 11:30) Please call the office to make sure someone will be there.

Easter Flowers

If you would like place flowers on the altar in thanksgiving or in memory of loved ones for our Easter celebration, please contact the office.

Bible Study at St Mark's

Continuing this Wednesday, there is a Bible Study in Bishop Reed Hall for anyone who wishes to come. It will last an hour and there is no preparation needed (and no homework given!)

Holy Week & Easter

April 13 – Sunday of the Passion with Liturgy of the Palms

8 am Holy Eucharist

10 am Sung Eucharist

April 15 – Tuesday in Holy Week

7 pm Evening Prayer

April 16 - Wednesday in Holy Week

7 pm Tenebrae

April 17 - Maundy Thursday

7 pm Sung Eucharist

April 18 - Good Friday

1 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

April 20 Sunday of the Resurrection

8 am Eucharist with blessing of the Paschal candle

10 am Sung Eucharist

It's a fruitful time together as we learn from the bible and each other. I hope you can give it a try.

Fr David

The Bible readings for the April 9 are: Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 31: 9-16, Philippians 2:5-11, Luke 22:14—23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

Spring Market

The fourth order form for the Spring Market was sent out on Wednesday. If you missed it, you can get it [here](#). The last order form will come out next Wednesday.

There are delicious mini-tarts available this week. You can get French Lemon, Maple, Strawberry or an assortment with all three. Our new item this week is Seasoned Breadcrumbs. These have not been offered before and there is a choice of Italian or Cajun Spice breadcrumbs. These come with a selection of recipes using the breadcrumbs including Breaded Fish Fillets, Italian Meatball Soup and Cajun Spice Chicken Burgers. There are some meringue nests available and two space for hot cross buns next week. There are also various kinds of marmalade

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and lemon curd on offer. As well, as a result of cleaning my freezer this week and finding fruit waiting to be made into jam, there is newly-made Blueberry Jam, Strawberry Jam and Black Raspberry Jelly. There are bacon and vegetarian breakfast strata and a very few of both kinds of bread pudding available.

Coffee, Company & Conversation

At CCC on Thursday 36 people shared coffee or tea and conversation, although eight of the group spent much of the morning in focused creative writing. The writers worked together creating new stories and poems under the guidance of resident author Ruth Latta. It was a good gathering.

The morning bakers, Pat and Suzanne, outdid themselves providing chocolate swirl coffeecake, apricot gouda scones, lemon poppy seed loaf, maple pecan squares, two kinds of cold meat slices to accompany pita bread and crackers, along with cheeses, vegetables and dip, and strawberries and cherries. It was a morning feast!



Next week the special event is a musical one. The Glebop Jazz Trio, featuring a keyboard/piano player, a trumpeter and a singer, will be making the morning mellow with popular standards. This group has appeared in the past at the Ottawa Jazz

Festival, and plays once a month at the Glebe Central Pub. "Glebop has become a regular fixture on the Ottawa scene". Don't miss a morning of musical professionalism.



Again, hopefully there will be good weather on April 10. However, should there be inclement weather and the school buses do not run, then CCC does not take place.

Outreach

While all donations of packaged or canned foods are appreciated by Debra Dynes Family House, they specified a need for the following:

- Tinned evaporated milk
- Canned tuna
- Pasta

Monetary donations are another way to give. You may place your donation in the collection plate in a plain white envelope clearly marked for Debra Dynes. or give it in person to Joan Grayer to take to Debra Dynes. If you require a tax receipt, please indicate and provide any information needed for that.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Joan Grayer.

E-Prayer

E-prayer is now managed jointly by Cynthia Greer and Joy Bowerman. If you have a concern for which you would like prayer, you may contact Cynthia Greer at 613-723-2680 or greercynthia69@yahoo.com or send an

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email to Eprayer@stmarksottawa.ca. Likewise, if wish to be included on the E-prayer list, you may use the same contact information.

Earthub Ottawa wish list

Earthub works with All Saint's Greely helping to provide them milk bags. They have a number of other things that they are collecting which we could contribute to by our link to All Saints'. There is a poster at the end of the newsletter. I would not suggest egg cartons, but of interest may be can pull tabs, plastic tags and plastic bottle caps.

[All Saints Greely Video](#)

LENT + MADNESS

Welcome to Lent Madness 2025. Once again this year we will be dancing with all the candidates for the Golden Halo.



Those of you who have participated in the past, or if you are new to this online devotion, here's how Lent Madness works: on the weekdays of Lent, information is posted at www.lentmadness.org about two different saints. Each pairing remains open for 24 hours as participants read about and then vote to determine which saint moves on to the next round. Sixteen saints make it to the Round of the Saintly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the Golden Halo.

Every day the two Saints that are up for election will be posted on St Mark's facebook page.. This is a fun and enlightening event and in the process we journey through the Lenten season with a new appreciation for our Saints. You will notice the Lent Madness poster in the church hall, we will be updating this on a regular basis so keep track of your favourites as we journey through Lent.

For more information or if you wish to participate directly please click on [Lent Madness](#)

From the ACC newsletter:

[The rocks cry out: Praying Lent with all of creation](#)

via Facebook

With busy schedules in mind, Queen's College Faculty of Theology is offering a flexible Lenten resource this year. "The Rocks Cry Out: Praying Lent With All of Creation" provides short daily liturgies and video reflections, encouraging moments of prayer and connection with creation.

Alongside Hope(PWRDF) – Lenten Study

This Lent, Alongside Hope invites you to explore the intersections of faith and international development.

Weaving scripture, reflection and prayer together with the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the Anglican Marks of Mission, the Rev. Jonathan Rowe of the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador presents a rich tapestry. Titled "Living into God's Dream," the resource also offers the reader opportunity to reflect on questions, both personal and corporate and to learn more about Alongside Hope's partners.

Subscribe to receive a daily message in your inbox, including a Bible reading, a reflection and a prayer. On Saturdays during Lent, you'll receive an Alongside Hope story that relates to the theme of the week to come. Your introductory email will arrive March 4, the day before Ash Wednesday.

[Learn More & Subscribe](#)

A Lenten Journey in the Holy Land

St George's College, Jerusalem is one of our two Lenten Outreach charities.

Violence and uncertainty have created a major crisis for St. George's College Jerusalem, an integral part of the ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem.

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The College normally draws many pilgrims to the Land of the Holy One, and many local Palestinians provide services and goods to pilgrims. The College enables pilgrims to see, feel, and understand the biblical and contemporary richness of the land and the Christians, Jews, and Muslims who live there. It is wholly committed to building awareness and dialogue through pilgrimage, education, and by arranging encounters between different groups of people to promote reconciliation.

The College's earned revenue from pilgrims' fees, gift shop sales, and other lodging fee has been totally disrupted, and there are insufficient funds to provide already-reduced salaries for the College's staff and essential operations in 2025. The situation is dire for the remaining staff and their families, and for the future of the College itself.

Let Light Shine: The Canadian Campaign for St. George's College Jerusalem is an appeal to friends of the College in Canada. It will run until the end of April 2025. The Campaign objective is to raise \$250,000 from Canadian friends of St. George's College Jerusalem, to provide funds for paying reduced staff salaries and related operations in 2025.

In this time of alarming tension and restrictions, the College has adapted with creativity and resilience. The Dean and remaining staff have produced videos for virtual pilgrimages, developed future curricula, and continue to maintain the facility.

During Lent, we invite parishes to benefit from an excellent six-week video/study program prepared by the Staff of the College, called [A Lenten Journey in the Holy Land](#). As you enjoy this wonderful Lenten Resource, which is free, please consider making an offering for the Canadian Campaign for St. George's College Jerusalem.

The Canadian Campaign for St. George's College Jerusalem

**Kiwanis Music Festival
Front of House**

St Mark's is hosting Junior Piano from April 21 to May 1. We are looking for Front of House Volunteers to assist with registration. If you are interested in volunteering for a few sessions, please contact Janis or Michael Perkin and they will be happy to provide more information.

Forward Day By Day

The Forward Day by Day for February, March and April is now available at a cost of \$3 per copy.

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.

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.

Rev Canon David Clunie

Our interim priest is the Rev Canon David Clunie. You may reach Fr David at 613-224-7431 or David@stmarksottawa.ca For Pastoral Emergencies, please call 613-867-7027.

Emails Addresses for Key People

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

Fr David David@stmarksottawa.ca

Joy: stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca

Elaine: Elaine@stmarksottawa.ca

Janis Perkin : Janis@stmarksottawa.ca

Joseph Amuah : Joseph@stmarksottawa.ca

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Mike Duval : Mike@stmarksottawa.ca
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<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.

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.



EARTHUB
Items To Keep Out of The Landfill
www.earthhub.ca | environment@earthhub.ca

OTTAWA COLLECTION

These items are collected for reuse.
Earthub is run by volunteers - for privacy reasons, drop-off locations can only be obtained by email.

Monetary donations to help support our program can be made to: accounting@earthhub.ca
Security Question: *Ottawa*
Answer: *Chapter*

Car Pull Tabs
Fundraiser for Earthub programs

Milk Bags
Reused to make sleeping mats for people experiencing homelessness

Egg Cartons
Closeable 6, 12 & 18 holder cartons are reused for egg distribution by local food banks and farmers

Plastic Tags & Plastic Bottle Caps
Reused for an Earthub project in the works!

Crayons + Empty Lip Balm & Glue Stick Tubes
Melted down & used for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes - tubes used for 'push-up' crayons

Want to join our movement? Please email us about volunteering, we'd love to hear from you!

* All items must be donated clean

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