



# St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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## Weekly Newsletter

**August 29, 2025**

Dear friends,

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



### Newsletter

Please send any news items or announcements for the newsletter to [stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca](mailto: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.

### Live Streaming

The service will be streamed at 9 am on Sunday. [service bulletin](#) The link is also available on the home page of our website.

### Julian of Norwich

Last Sunday, August 24, Fr David spoke about Julian of Norwich, the 14th century English woman whose mystical visions are so inspiring about the love Christ for us and our world.



Our neighbouring parish Julian of Norwich on Merivale Road produced a wonderful video last Saturday. The rector, Rev. Karen McBride, was given a tour of the church in Norwich England by its rector who told the remarkable story of Julian and her time. Here's the [link to the video](#)

### Thinking ahead:

Our regular schedule resumes on September 7. Choir practice resumes on September 4. Slim & Trim resumes on September 8. Coffee, Company and Conversation resumes

September 11 with a special joint presentation with NROCRC. The Bazaar will be on November 1.

### Fr Julian's Induction

The Rt Rev Cathleen Chittenden Bascom formally introduced Fr. Julian to Good Shepherds Church in Wichita, Kansas through a Celebration of a New Ministry on August 26. Several members of Fr. Julian's family arrived from the Bahamas, including his brother Canon Sebastian Campbell, many friends from the Caribbean, Canada, and the United States.



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### **Think Back to School for Debra Dynes Family House**

Please give generously in the next few weeks to our Debra-Dynes Family House.

Examples of needed back to school items:

- Pencils, pens, erasers, highlighters
- Pencil cases, rulers, scissors
- Water bottles
- Paper, notebooks, binder, folder
- Backpacks
- Calculators
- School snacks

Please remember to bring something for our food bank. The blue bin is in the link on one of the benches.

As usual, there is always a demand for the list below.

- Canned evaporated milk
- Canned tuna
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce

Here are some specials from this week's flyers:

Specials this week from weekly flyers

#### **Food Basics**

Carnation Evaporated Milk \$1.88

Primo Spaghetti Sauces, pastas, diced tomatoes, chickpeas \$1.67

Dare Cookies various varieties \$2.79-\$2.99

Kelloggs Rice Squares, Nutrigrain Bars \$2.69

Kelloggs Town Crackers \$2.49

Dole Fruit Cup Snacks \$2.99

Snack Pack Puddings \$1.99

#### **No Frills**

Holiday luncheon Meat/Maple Leaf Flakes \$2

Post Cereals (e.g. Shreddies, Honeycomb) \$3

No Name Peanut Butter \$3.99

Allens Drink Boxes \$4

No Name Vinegar (4 Litres) \$1.50

#### **Shoppers Drug Mart**

No Name Peanut Butter \$3.99

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.

#### **Mothers' Union Tea**

On August 20, members of St Mark's Mothers' Union and invited guests enjoyed tea together at the Billings Estate. The weather was lovely and the food delightful.



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**Welsh Hymn Singing  
(as part of the North American Festival of  
Wales)**

I am writing to you as one of the local organisers of the North American Festival of Wales (NAFOW). The Festival will take place in Ottawa, August 27-31, 2025.

The Festival is an annual event which takes place in various locations throughout North America. This year it is Ottawa's turn to enjoy this wonderful celebration of Welsh music and culture.

I am writing to you to let you know in particular of two amazing participatory hymn singing sessions, known in Welsh as a “Gymanfa Ganu”, in which favourite hymns are sung by the congregation in four-part harmony. These sessions will take place at Christ Church Cathedral, 414 Sparks St on Sunday afternoon, August 31, 2- 3.30 p.m. and 4.30-6 p.m. (free will offering).

These hymn singing sessions might be of interest to members of your congregation and I would be very grateful if you would consider including mention of them in one of your upcoming order of service bulletins or weekly bulletin to the congregation.

Alison Lawson

See poster at end of newsletter.

**Fall Stewardship – Volunteer Hours**

**Many thanks to those who have answered  
– where are the rest of you?**

As part of the fall stewardship campaign, we would like to explore the amount of time and effort which is donated to the church and how are ministry is supported by the generosity of our members.

If you donate your time to the church in any volunteer capacity, could you think about how much time you spend volunteering? I am not looking for a single number. For example, if you volunteer in the office, are on altar guild, help with CCC, host coffee hour at 8 and 10, act as sidesperson, I would hope for a list something like this:

Office – 2 hr/week

CCC – 2.5 hr/week not during summer

CCC snacks – 2 hrs/month

8 am coffee – 2 hr/month not during summer  
10 am coffee – 2 hrs/6 weeks not during summer.

Sides – (8 & 10) 4.5 hrs/month (not summer)

It is important to us to know where the time is being spent so that we can not only know how much time people donate, but where the main focus of it is.

Please send your responses to the office sooner rather than later. Thank you - Joy

**Service of Thanksgiving for our Journey  
with Bishop Shane**

Dear friends,

The Anglican Diocese of Ottawa warmly invites you to attend A Service of Thanksgiving for our Journey with Bishop Shane as we gather in the presence of God to celebrate Archbishop Shane’s faithful leadership on his final day as our diocesan bishop.

Date: Saturday, September 20th, 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m. Service followed by a light festive reception.

Location: Christ Church Cathedral | 414 Sparks Street, Ottawa, Ontario

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Clergy are invited to sit with family and friends, as vesting will not be required.

Watch the Service Live: If you are unable to attend in person, you are invited to watch the service in real time via the Cathedral's livestream [here](#).

We look forward to sharing this meaningful moment together as a diocese.

In Christ,

The Anglican Diocese of Ottawa  
[ottawa.anglican.ca](http://ottawa.anglican.ca)

### **Forward Day By Day**

The newest edition of Forward Day by Day is now available, covering daily readings for August, September and October. This inspiring resource offers reflections on the passages assigned for each day, along with prayers and suggestions to enhance your Christian journey.

Copies are placed on the table in the Link, available for \$3.

### **Tables anyone?**

We have been clearing out the lower hall and have found a number of surplus tables. There are about 10 stacking 4' x 4' wooden tables and maybe 14 rectangular child-size tables. If anyone is interested, please let the office know.



### **Summer Office Hours**

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

### **Little Free Library**

We have a little free library by our front walk. The children's books are sought after and we do not have very many. If you have any to donate, just bring them in.

### **Church School**

Church school is taking a summer break and will resume in September.

### **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](mailto:greercynthia69@yahoo.com) or send an email to [Eprayer@stmarksottawa.ca](mailto:Eprayer@stmarksottawa.ca). Likewise, if wish to be included on the E-prayer list, you may use the same contact information.

### **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.

### **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](mailto:David@stmarksottawa.ca) For

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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](mailto:David@stmarksottawa.ca)

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Gillian Martin: [Gillian@stmarksottawa.ca](mailto:Gillian@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](mailto: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](mailto:stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca). Messages are being monitored. Email is faster.



**Thursday, August 28, 4:00pm-7:00pm, Free concert:**

WELSH FEST on Sparks: with The Welsh of the West End, Welsh Folk Dancers, Pedair, & Band Pres Llareggub, Vendors, and more!

**Saturday, August 30, 7:00pm, Tickets at the door:**

Welsh Male Voice Choir at Christ Church Cathedral  
Cor y Penrhyn with Soloist Meinir Wyn Roberts  
[www.nafow.org](http://www.nafow.org)

