



St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Weekly Newsletter

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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 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.

- Carolyn & Peter Findlay celebrate their 19th Wedding Anniversary on September 9.

Live Streaming

The service will be streamed at 10 am on Sunday. [service bulletin](#) The link is also available on the home page of our website.

THIS SUNDAY:

Our 8 and 10 am services resume on Sunday morning. Sunday School also resumes on Sunday morning at 10 am.

Thinking ahead:

- Sept 8 Slim & Trim resumes
- Sept 11 Coffee, Company and Conversation resumes September 11 with a special joint presentation with NROCRC.
- Sept 28 Parish BBQ after the 10 am service
- Nov 1 Annual Fall Bazaar

Coffee, Company & Conversation

CCC is back on Thursday, September 11 to start a new season with a great “kick – off” event by partnering with the Nepean-Rideau-

Osgoode Community Resource Centre, or NROCRC by bringing their senior’s group and our CCC group, an Irish Cultural Event. This will be part of NROCRC’s cultural activities that take place through the year, and which are government funded. Bishop Reed Hall will serve as the venue for this event and NROCRC will provide an Irish lunch following a morning featuring Irish culture. This activity will be attracting a larger group than usual, so the set up and the need to be prompt in arriving and settling in, will be important. Our regular coffee/tea and goodies will feature Irish snacks with lunch provided late morning. CCC looks forward to sharing with another community program in the common interest of bringing older adults together for enjoyment and socializing.

In the following weeks, CCC’s Fall/Early Winter Schedule will bring fun and entertainment to all who attend. These special mornings after our Irish event are on the poster located at the end of the newsletter and reflect only CCC activities.

We are looking forward to seeing all our CCC regulars soon!



A Blessed Journey to Wichita

By Mike Duval, Deputy Warden, St Marks Ottawa

When a beloved friend and former Rector, Father Julian Campbell, invited members of St. Mark’s to witness his induction into ministry at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Wichita, Kansas, the journey quickly became more than a simple trip. It was a pilgrimage filled with faith, fellowship, and unforgettable experiences.

From quiet beginnings at Ottawa airport, to heartfelt welcomes in Wichita, to the beauty of Botanica Gardens and the spiritual power of the Keeper of the Plains, this essay captures both the joy of travel and the depth of Christian fellowship. The highlight was, of course, Father Julian's moving induction service, where voices, prayers, and music united in celebration of God's call.

Along the way, there were moments of laughter, reflection, cultural discovery, and spontaneous joy—reminders that God's Spirit moves through every encounter and every mile.

This is more than a travel story. It's a testament to hospitality, friendship, and the ways Christ's love is revealed in community.

Read about the whole journey [HERE](#)

Debra Dynes Family House

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

Cedar Beans - \$1.50

Primo Pasta - \$1.99

Catelli Garden Select pasta sauce - \$1.67

No Frills

No name evaporated milk - \$1

No Name Tuna - \$1

Giant Tiger

Giant Value Peanut Butter - \$2.97

Cheese Whiz - \$3.97

Campbell's broth - \$1.67

Primo tomato sauce \$1.97

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.

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

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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

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

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.

Little Free Library

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

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 email to 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 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:

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Gillian Martin: 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. 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

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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>.

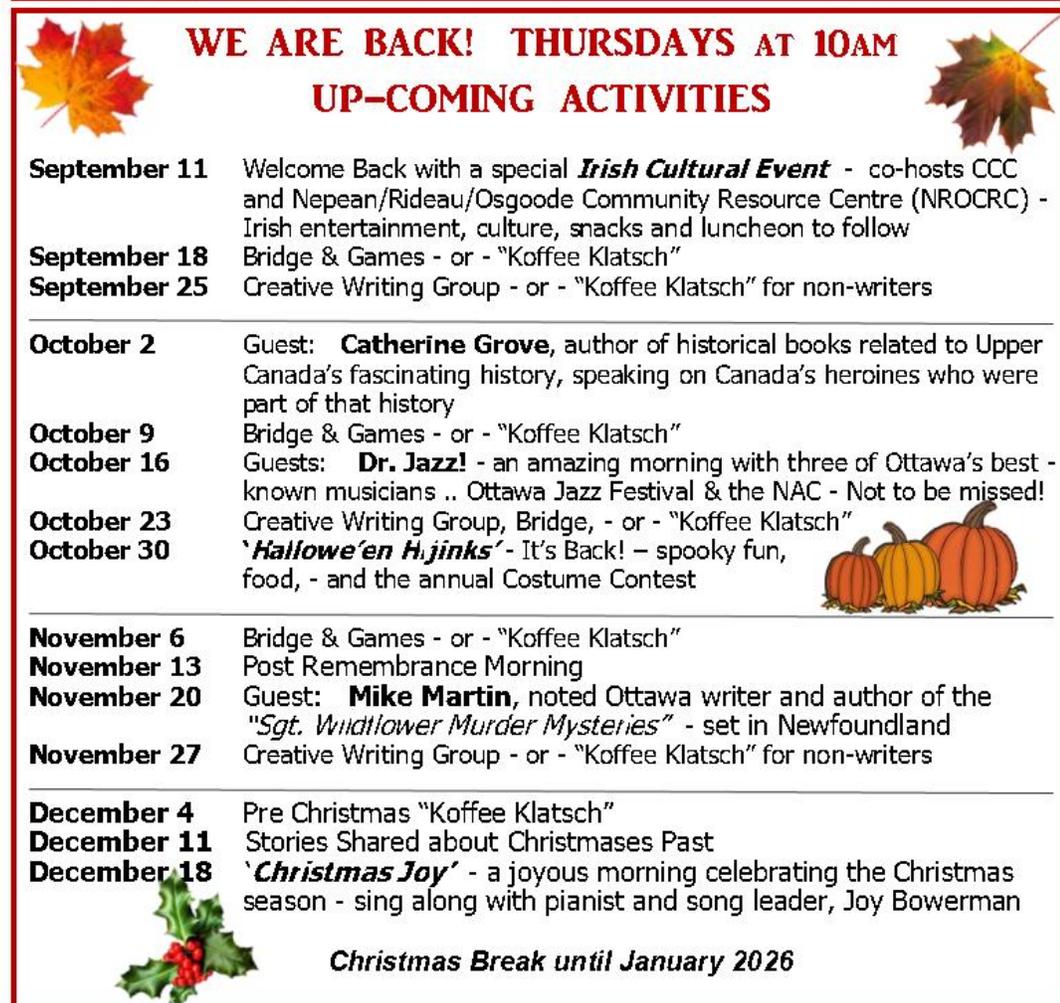
Contacting the Church

You may contact the office at 613-224-7431 or stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca. Messages are being monitored. Email is faster.



St Mark's Anglican Church
FALL & EARLY WINTER 2025
a weekly gathering for seniors in the community
SENIORS - COME & JOIN US
September 11 to December 18
Thursdays at 10:00 am

St Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church
1606 Fisher Avenue, Ottawa
For more information contact: St Mark's at 613 224 7431



WE ARE BACK! THURSDAYS AT 10AM
UP-COMING ACTIVITIES

September 11	Welcome Back with a special Irish Cultural Event - co-hosts CCC and Nepean/Rideau/Osgoode Community Resource Centre (NROCR) - Irish entertainment, culture, snacks and luncheon to follow
September 18	Bridge & Games - or - "Koffee Klatsch"
September 25	Creative Writing Group - or - "Koffee Klatsch" for non-writers
October 2	Guest: Catherine Grove , author of historical books related to Upper Canada's fascinating history, speaking on Canada's heroines who were part of that history
October 9	Bridge & Games - or - "Koffee Klatsch"
October 16	Guests: Dr. Jazz! - an amazing morning with three of Ottawa's best-known musicians .. Ottawa Jazz Festival & the NAC - Not to be missed!
October 23	Creative Writing Group, Bridge, - or - "Koffee Klatsch"
October 30	'Hallowe'en H.jinks' - It's Back! - spooky fun, food, - and the annual Costume Contest
November 6	Bridge & Games - or - "Koffee Klatsch"
November 13	Post Remembrance Morning
November 20	Guest: Mike Martin , noted Ottawa writer and author of the <i>"Sgt. Widtlower Murder Mysteries"</i> - set in Newfoundland
November 27	Creative Writing Group - or - "Koffee Klatsch" for non-writers
December 4	Pre Christmas "Koffee Klatsch"
December 11	Stories Shared about Christmases Past
December 18	'Christmas Joy' - a joyous morning celebrating the Christmas season - sing along with pianist and song leader, Joy Bowerman

Christmas Break until January 2026