



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.

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.

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.

No Bible Study this week.

This Sunday

Because of previous commitments, Rev Mary-Cate will not be at the 8 am service on October 26. Keith Wilkins will lead a service of Morning Prayer at that time. Rev Mary-Cate will be present at the 10 am service.

Forward Day By Day

The newest edition of Forward Day By Day, covering November, December and January is now available. Enhance your prayer life with these daily devotions, carrying you through Advent, Christmas and into the new year. Copies are placed in the link, and are \$3 apiece.

All Saints & All Soul

On Sunday, November 2, we will be celebrating All Saints and All Souls. During the service we will be remembering people who are dear but not here. There are sheets at the back of the church to add names. You can also email the office to add names.

Fall Cleanup

Thank you so much to the small but dedicated crew that worked on the fall cleanup last Saturday. There are still a number of things to do to set us up for winter and anyone who can come is invited to come tomorrow, October 25, from 9 – 11 am to continue the cleanup.

Fall Bazaar – November 1

It is hard to believe (and quite scary, frankly) that 1 week from today we will be setting up for the bazaar.

The hall will be open for donations of baking, preserves, handcrafts, books, puzzles & jewellery from 9 am – 6 pm on Friday, October 31. I am also accepting a few items for silent auction. The jewellery coordinator would rather see the jewellery before that, so that if you can, please bring it on Sunday.



St Mark's Fall Bazaar ~ 2025

1606 Fisher Ave. Ottawa

Saturday November 1, 2025

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Handcrafts (sewing, knitting & other crafts) Preserves, Baking,
Café, Cards, Puddings, Calendars, Books, Puzzles, Jewellery

there will be no Rummage or Clothing

on-line Bazaar November 9 - December 14

information: 613-224-7431 stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca



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I will definitely need help to set up (9 am Friday)and take down (2 pm Saturday) the bazaar.

If you would like to work at the bazaar and have not been recruited somewhere, please let me know.

In the weeks following the bazaar, there will be a number of food items offered online for pickup on Sunday. I am still hoping and looking for some new items to offer.

Calendars and puddings!

I have ordered 30 calendars, and they are available as of now. Please sign up on the link table to be sure you order yours.

Christmas puddings have been made.

Thank you from Mothers' Union. – Cynthia

Coffee, Company & Conversation

At CCC on Thursday, 10 creative writers worked away together at their long table in the Link, while a table of bridge quietly played at the back of the Hall. The others present enjoyed coffee or tea and snacks in groups engaged in conversation - a true Coffee, Company and Conversation morning.

The food that was made and beautifully presented by Joy and Judy was just delicious and varied. The menu of morning goodies included homemade leek and gruyere pizza squares, old cheese and British pickle puffs, goat cheese toast snacks topped with pineapple mango salsa, salsa verde or roasted red pepper sauce, zucchini chocolate chip loaf, oatmeal cranberry crispy cookies, orange squares, gluten free applesauce squares, baked brie topped with red pepper jelly as well as several cheeses, crackers and green grapes. It was a great spread for a conversation morning. Many thanks to Judy and Joy.

***Next Week: Halloween HIjinks!!!. Our annual morning of spooky fun will include a short Halloween Trivia, a contest of the tables writing a Short Spooky Story by each table team, and our wonderful Halloween costume contest. Three winners will be chosen from all the costumes that will make the morning a memorable one. Everyone looks forward to

the fun of seeing imaginative CCC people in costume.

Come and enjoy a pre- Halloween gathering of fun and scares.

See you next week!

Debra Dynes Family House

St. Marks has sported DDFH in more ways than just the Food Bank. Some of you may remember constructing the raised beds for the community garden, being on the planning committee for Soupalicious, being members on the Board, offering piano lessons to children in the Debra Dynes community (which was done by Carol Dicks), donating food to the food bank, donating school supplies and Mother's Day gifts, making monetary donations and offering assistance to many other activities.



Sip! Slurp! Savour! your way through
SOUPALICIOUS Ottawa 2025

Sunday October 26

4:30 pm - 7:00 pm

**Carleton Heights Community Centre
1665 Apeldoorn Avenue**

Adults: \$25 in advance • \$30 at-the-door
Children: 6-12 yrs. = \$10.00 • 5 yrs. & under = FREE

Purchase tickets online here:



A Debra Dynes Family House Fundraiser

For more information, debradynesfamilyhouse.com,
info@debradynes.com, or 613-224-3824.



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Georgia Roberts has tickets for Soupalicious.

This is a special request for October:

- Halloween candies for the shell outers

There is a blue bin in the link waiting for your donations.

There is always a demand for the list below.

- Canned evaporated milk

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- Canned tuna
- Apple Sauce
- Pasta
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Some on-sale items from local flyers:

No Frills:

Unico kidney beans, chick peas, lentils and tomatoes - \$1.50

Food Basics:

Carnation evaporated milk - \$2/4.00

Selection canned soups - \$1.27

Primo spaghetti, pasta sauce, tomatoes, and beans - \$1.68

Shoppers Drug Mart

PC Blue Menu broths - 3/\$5.00

No Name canned vegetables - 3/\$5.00

Quaker & Life assorted cereals - \$4.00

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.



On Thanksgiving, Rev. Mary-Cate blessed the animals during the Children's talk and gave out back-pack tags. Last week's newsletter was just a little too full to include these pictures.



As well, the children led a song at the offertory after they had brought up baskets of produce.



Rev Mary-Cate's contact information

Mary-Cate's email is MaryCate@stmarksottawa.ca We are still finessing the access details. You may call her at 613-231-7451 or 416-709-3487.

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.

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Emails Addresses for Key People

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

Rev Mary Cate: MaryCate@stmarksottawa.ca

Joy: stmarks@stmarksottawa.ca

Elaine: Elaine@stmarksottawa.ca

Janis Perkin : Janis@stmarksottawa.ca

Joseph Amuah : Joseph@stmarksottawa.ca

Mike Duval : Mike@stmarksottawa.ca

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 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.