

# E-News from the St. Mark's Pews 160th Edition - May 5, 2023



#### From the Rector

A week or so ago, the Archbishop of Canterbury released the order of service for tomorrow's coronation. We all know there had been intense speculation as to what kind of service it would be. I'm sure traditionalists breathed a sigh of relief when they saw that it's essentially the traditional service—and in the language of the Authorized Version, no less!

The Archbishop also published an annotated version of the order of service which explains the

meaning of the various phrases, actions, and regalia. In many ways, these annotations are more interesting than the service itself. (At least they are to a liturgical geek like me.) The first one sums up the meaning of the service perfectly:

The Kingdom of God is not a place, but a way of being – a reign of justice, mercy, and love which Jesus came to bring (Mark 1.15). King of Kings is a title that is given to Jesus in the Bible (Revelation 19.16). Christians profess the belief that He reigns for ever as 'King of Kings' and Lord of Lords. In this greeting, His Majesty's reply echoes the truth of Jesus Christ who came, not to wield power by force, but to show the power of love (Matthew 20.28).

This new inclusion marks the tone of the service from its beginning. The magnificence and beauty of the processions and costumes is a great celebration of tradition and joy. But behind the pageantry lies another message which the words and ceremonies to come will demonstrate – our King commits himself, through prayers and oaths, to follow the Lord he serves in a life of loving service in his role as Monarch.

My more secular, republican friends think all of this—the coronation, the pomp, the tradition, the idea of monarchy itself—is nonsense and out of touch with contemporary life. Other friends who don't live in a country where the King is head of state, are intrigued by the grandeur and spectacle. This is Netflix's "The Crown" in real life! Yet no matter what they think, I don't know of anyone who won't be watching.

Seventy years ago, one of the great preachers of the day, George Buttrick, preached a sermon in Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City. He was reflecting on the overwhelming interest in Queen Elizabeth II's coronation:

Was it the pageantry that drew us? If so, that is no matter for reproof: there is a need for colour and pomp. Was it hope that the world's fortunes might improve under a fine girl now on the British throne? Well, good can come through kings and queens, even if not from them. Or was it our rapture in the event, we being a republic, due to the fact that every human heart craves some fealty? That may have been the deep-down reason.

Even kings, I imagine, crave some fealty and so it's highly appropriate that King Charles will be crowned in the context of an act of worship, and act which reminds him—and all of us—not only of the ultimate cost of servant leadership, but of the One to whom we all owe our devotion and loyalty: the aforementioned King of Kings who was once enthroned on Golgotha and who now is enthroned on your heart, and mine—and the King's—for evermore.

God save the King.

Grace and peace, Leighton

PLEASE JOIN US AT ST. MARK'S on Sunday May 7th for our 10:30 service. After the service there will be a champagne reception with cake. Bernadette Secco will play a half-hour concert of royal music and favourite hymns on St. Mark's 10 bells.

We hope you will join us, and invite your friends and neighbours, as we pray for the King and celebrate this historic occasion.

# COME AND ENJOY THE PEALING OF ST.MARK'S NINETEEN BELLS ON SUNDAY 7 MAY

11:30AM-NOON

IN CELEBRATION OF THE CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III



THE BELLS WILL RING OUT WITH CORONATION MUSIC
AND
HYMNS OF CELEBRATION

COME AND SIT IN THE PARK, OR IN THE CHURCHYARD
AND LISTEN
AS BERNADETTE SECCO CHIMES THE BELLS OF
ST.MARK'S

This official emblem celebrates the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III on 6 May 2023.

The emblem is created with the flora of the four nations of the United Kingdom: the rose for England, the thistle for Scotland, the daffodil for Wales and the shamrock for Northern Ireland. These natural forms combine to describe St Edward's Crown, used for the coronation of British monarchs.

The emblem was designed by Sir Jony Ive

#### From the Wardens

Many of us will be watching the Coronation of King Charles III on Saturday, yes, and probably at 4 a.m.! It is suggested the coronation may not have the same pomp and celebration of that of his mother Queen Elizabeth 70 years ago, but it will still be a spectacular and solemn event.

We at St. Mark's are celebrating after our 10:30 service on Sunday with cake and chiming of the bells. Coronation music and hymns of celebration will ring for one half hour beginning at 11:30 a.m. The chiming always adds to the uniqueness of St. Mark's.

The Men's Breakfast this past Wednesday was well attended. A discussion included an interesting judge's decisions quiz. Very enlightening thanks to retired Judge Roger Hughes.

The cherry pies group (includes two men) continue to prepare for the Cherry Festival with

the preparation of 700 pies. The aroma is such that it is tempting to see if there are any leftovers.

Please note in E-News many events coming up at St. Mark's in the next weeks. We welcome back Music Niagara and its summer concert series.

Almost three years ago, we started E-News to keep parishioners informed about issues with covid, restrictions, cancellations and so on. This is our 160th Wardens' and Rector's letters and E-News. We have had many compliments and thanks for continuing to write this weekly. E-News has taken on a life of its own and is rewarding for the authors. Thank you to all who read our messages each week.

Just for today I will adjust myself to what is, and not try to adjust everything to my own desires. I will take my "luck" as it comes and fit myself to it.

# PLEASE NOTE: UNIVERSAL PORTRAIT STUDIOS

has begun calling parishioners to book photography sessions.

#### **Brenda**

is calling from her cell phone number 1-902-769-7060.

If you have call display, rest assured this is a legitimate call!

Please watch E-News for the dates when Cherry Festival donations will be accepted. A reminder that books cannot be accepted until June. We will announce the exact date for book donations soon. Any brought in before then will be returned or destroyed as there is zero storage space.

See you in church!

As always, a reminder to advise the office of anyone who requires assistance, including a phone call, food delivery or some phone companionship. Even a chat over the fence!

**Called to Life-Compelled to Love** 

Allan Magnacca Andrea Douglas





# St. Saviours Coronation Tea

Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May In the church hall, corner of Highlander & Princess

1:30 ~ 3:30 pm

Dress up or dress down
With fascinator or crown
Raise your pinky and join the jubilee
Here in Queenston with Afternoon Tea!

#### SERVING:

Scones with butter, clotted cream & jam, Sandwiches, And Desserts English Breakfast Tea or Fruit Tea, if preferred.

## Reserved Seating

Tickets are Limited ~ Price \$30.

PLEASE CONTACT VICKI @ 905-262-4145





# THE EDISON SINGERS

Saturday May 6, 2023 – 4:00 pm St. Mark's Anglican Church 41 Byron St, Niagara-on-the-Lake ON LOS 1J0

#### Tickets may be purchased by clicking on the link below

https://theedisonsingers.com/performances/?mc\_cid=e371c116b7&mc\_eid=dadd639425

#### TICKETS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE AT THE DOOR

#### Click on the link below to listen to Fogarty's Cove

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#### Click on the link below to listen to Shenandoah

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#### Click on the link below to listen to Witness

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https://youtu.be/pkbRYerQw2Y

Click on the link above to watch

MISSIONARY AND MINISTER AT NIAGARA

Robert Addison

1754-1829

He baptized the innocent.

Married the hopeful. And buried the faithful.

And he was one of the most significant men in early Ontario history.

Yet we barely know who he was. But he was here. For 37 long and influential years.

# \*\*\*Urgent\*\*\* Jewelry needed for The Cherry Festival

If you have any jewelry, costume or fine, that you no longer wear, please consider donating it to St. Mark's. We are happily accepting your kind donations in preparation for St. Mark's Cherry Festival. If you have items to donate, please give them to Erin, in the office, Monday-Friday 9am-2pm.

#### PLEASE PASS ON TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS

#### Spring is a wonderful time to clean out your closets!

St. Mark's is happy to accept clothing donations for The Cherry Festival. Clothing must be clean, in good shape and on hangers. Please drop off your donations to the office Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

PLEASE PASS THIS ON TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY

### Wednesday Morning Eucharist - 10:00 a.m.

We look forward to seeing you in church!

# \*\*\*READERS AND INTERCESSORS GROUP LOOKING FOR NEW\*\*\* MEMBERS.

We are thankful for the involvement and participation of our Readers. If you would like to be a part of the Readers and

Intercessors,

please contact Tammy Zalepa at <a href="mailto:tammy@garyzalepa.com">tammy@garyzalepa.com</a>

## **Parish Updates**

#### In-Person Sunday Services

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist Wearing a mask is now an individual's choice.

#### On Duty this Week

May 7, 2023 - Greeter(s)- Allan Magnacca, Harriet Tunmer and Nancy Bongard May 7, 2023- Reader - Peter Manning Intercessor - Jane De Munnich

Altar Guild - Pat Kingdon, Keith Bullen and Mary Webster

#### Order of Service

The Order of Service can be found on our website: Order of Service Web Site Page

#### Church Bells

A reminder to all that the Church Bells play on Sundays at 12:05 pm. Enjoy!

#### Staying Up to Date!

Click on this link to find this and recent copies of our E-News: View our recent E-Newsletters

Click on this link to view our Calendar: Visit our Calendar

Click here to access St. Mark's Anglican Church Facebook page You can also access our Facebook page when on our website by clicking on the Facebook icon that looks like an "f".

In the parish cycle of prayer, we pray for Jennifer Smith, Gene Anne Smith, Wendy Steel, Trevor Straker, and Barbara Stratton and their families.

We pray for those shut in their homes, Fred Habermehl, Fred Dixon, Selina Appleby, Joan Draper, and Alexander Hood.

In the Cycle of Prayer for the Niagara Diocese we pray for Church of the Nativity, Hamilton, the Reverend Canon Matthew Griffin, Rector; the Reverend Deacon Larry Collinson, Deacon; the Reverend Canon David Linn, Honorary Assistant; and the people of that parish.

In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Rt. Rev. Susan Bell, Bishop, The Most Rev. Colin Johnson, Assistant Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Niagara, and Bishop Sid Haugen, the people and rostered ministers of the Saskatchewan Synod.

We pray for the sick, especially remembering Jacquie White, Jack and Lynn Taylor, Margaret Stimson, Terry, Jan Brown, Lisa, Dorothy Walker, Sharon, Dick, Bev Garrett, Jodey Porter, Sean, Joshua, Ben Buholtz, Marilyn Worrall, and Maggie Hammerling.

#### **NEW**



## **Cemetery Tours**

will be held on **June 14th**, **July 26th**, **August 16th and September 13th - 3:30-5:00 p.m.** Earle Waugh will conduct the tours followed by refreshments. Tours are limited to 10 people and the cost is \$20.00, payable by cash or cheque. Please contact the office to sign up!

#### ST. MARK'S ANGLICAN NOTL DIRECTORY

We last published the St. Mark's Directory in 2018. It's time to do it again! There is **no charge** to individuals who would like to be listed in the directory, with telephone numbers, email addresses and/or home addresses.

There is, of course, a charge if you wish to purchase copies of your photographs. There are options regarding quantity and size.

**Brenda, from Universal Portrait Studios** will contact each parishioner, by telephone, who would like to be in the publication with a photograph, to arrange a date and time for your personal photography session. Photography sessions will be held in Addison Hall between May 16th and May 20th, 2023. The photography sessions are 20 minutes long, followed by a viewing of the photos.

You will be contacted by Universal Portraits in the near future to set up your appointment.

# **Men's Communion and Breakfast**

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 7, 2023** 

On the first Wednesday of each month men of our congregation and their guests will participate in a quiet spoken Eucharist service in the church at 8:00 a.m., followed by breakfast in Addison Hall. If you would like to join us, please contact:

Greg Walker by email: gregoryfwalker@gmail.com or phone (905)-262-6605 by Noon on Tuesday prior so that we can confirm numbers for breakfast.

Breakfast is \$10 per person. We look forward to seeing you!

#### EASY, NUTRITIOUS AND DELICIOUS READY MADE LUNCHES OR DINNERS

are available to purchase at St. Mark's.

Pea soup, tomato sauce, beef cottage pie and lasagna are all available.

Please contact the office to purchase.

We are sending Zoom invites via Constant Contact to those who regularly join the Bible Study group. If you would like to attend Bible Study via Zoom, please contact the Rector to have your name added to the distribution. <a href="mailto:rector.stmarks.notl@gmail.com">rector.stmarks.notl@gmail.com</a>

Did you know.... that the first minister at Niagara obtained a Masters degree from Trinity College, Cambridge University in 1785?



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