

E-News from the St. Mark's Pews 280th Edition August 29th, 2025



From the Rector

Dear Friends, My weekly message will return next week.

I am sorry to report that Arn Westlake died peacefully on August 25. He was an active, involved, and generous parishioner during his years at St Mark's. You can read his obituary here.

Grace and peace, Leighton

DONATION ENVELOPES FOR 2026

It is that time of year again when St. Mark's office must order donation envelopes for 2026.

If you would like to receive donation envelopes for 2026, it is essential that you contact Erin—either by email or phone.

If we don't hear from you, we cannot include you in the envelope order.

We encourage you to avoid using plain envelopes with just your name written on them. This adds an extra step for our office staff with respect to recording donations, as they need to cross-reference your details with your assigned donation number.

To make your donation experience seamless, please use your numbered envelopes or switch to one of the more convenient donation methods outlined below:

Have you thought about signing up for automatic debits from your bank account? With this option, you choose your donation amount and specify the date(s) you want the funds withdrawn. This way, you can rest easily knowing that you won't have to carry cash or a cheque or remember to bring an envelope to church. Switching to automatic debit takes just minutes—simply provide St. Mark's office with a VOID cheque, and we handle everything else. The best part? You can cancel at any time by contacting us.

Alternatively, consider donating with your VISA or MASTERCARD. You can select the donation amount that suits you and determine how often you'd like to contribute—whether that's weekly or once a month. You also have the flexibility to choose the best date(s) for you. Plus, if your credit card earns points, this is a fantastic chance to rack up those rewards while supporting your community!

This too can be cancelled at any time!

The cut off date to have your name added to the list for donation envelopes is

Monday September 15th, 2025.

Please contact Erin <u>no later than September 15th</u> to ensure you will receive donation envelopes.

You may contact Erin via email at stmarks@cogeco.net or by telephone at 905-468-3123 anytime

to change your preferred donation method to either VISA or MC or direct debit.

THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE OF DATE FOR THE VOLUNTEER LUNCHEON

Initially, we advertised that the luncheon would take place on September 7th, **BUT**

the date has been changed to

SEPTEMBER 14TH

@ 11:45 a.m.- 2 p.m.

We apologize for the confusion this caused many of you.

We do look forward to seeing all parishioners in Addison Hall on SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH



St. Mark's volunteers are *truly exceptional*. They consistently demonstrate their passion and their reliability as team players, showcasing patience, creativity, endless energy, positivity, organizational skills, and a strong willingness to help.

We hope all parishioners will join us on

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th

between 11:45 am and 2:15 p.m in Addison Hall to honour and thank our incredible volunteers!

Join us for a hot lunch and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea, soda or ice wine, or a glass or two of red or white wine.

Dessert will also be served.

We ask that all <u>TEAM LEADERS contact their members</u> and extend the invitation to attend the *Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.*

R.S.V.P. please no later than August 28th, by calling or texting Steve Hinchliffe at 905-687-0048



Hello Gentlemen!

September is just around the corner, which means it's time to kick off our monthly **Men's Communion and Breakfast Program!**

Our new season begins on **Wednesday, September 10th**.

We'll start at **8:00 a.m.** with Holy Communion at the church, followed by a delicious breakfast at the **NOTL Golf Club**.

We hope you can join us, and feel free to bring a friend!

Please RSVP by **Monday, September 8th**

as I need to finalize breakfast reservations.

Thank you!

Best regards, Greg Walker

Niagara County News, 23 February 1883



The lighting of St. Mark's Church is anything but satisfactory, and a change should be made of the lamp burners, by putting new ones in their place, by which a better light would be given and less oil consumed. The heating also requires the attention of the Vestry at its next meeting.

Submitted by Donald Combe

Parish Updates

In-Person Sunday Services

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist Watch the live stream on YouTube

On Duty this Week

August 31st, 2025

Greeter(s)

8:30 a.m. - Steve Hinchliffe

10:30 a.m. - Trudi Watson and Earle Waugh

Reader -James Mainprize

Intercessor - James Mainprize

Altar Guild - Peggy Walker, Susan Baxter and Diane Turner

Server - Virginia Mainprize

Order of Service

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

Church Bells

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

Staying Up to Date!

Click on this link to find this and recent copies of our E-News: <u>Visit our recent E-Newsletters</u>

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".

Prayer Cycles - We pray for:

<u>In St. Mark's Parish:</u> Erin McKinley and Stephen Payne, Anita Miller, Hazel Milne, and Carol Milne and their families.

<u>In the Niagara Diocese:</u> St. Thomas, St. Catharines, The Venerable Bruce McPetrie, Priest-in-Charge; The Reverend Canon Phillip Velpel, Honorary Assistant; The Reverend Canon John Cathcart, Honorary Assistant; and the people of that parish.

<u>In the Lutheran-Anglican-Moravian Cycle of Prayer:</u> The Bishop, clergy, and the people of the Diocese of Saskatoon, and Bishop Kathy Martin, the people and rostered ministers of the British Columbia Synod.

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