



E-News from the St. Mark's Pews 216th Edition -June 7, 2024



From the Rector

Last week I mentioned to you that I'm pleased to have appointed Michael Bloss as Interim Director of Music. His first service with us is this Sunday - June 9. Do come out to support him and meet him.

Michael has had an illustrious career as a church musician serving some of our country's most prominent congregations, including Timothy Eaton Memorial United and St James Cathedral in Toronto and Christ's Church Cathedral in

Hamilton. He also has another life as a commercial pilot, proving that he is a master of complex machines with all sorts of levers, dials, pedals, and pistons!

And don't just come to hear Michael on Sunday, come on Friday evening, June 7, to hear him and Melissa-Marie Shriner at our D-Day Heroes Concert at 7 pm. By the time you read this, we may be sold out—a reminder to always buy tickets early!

A couple of liturgical matters to note: **the Wednesday Eucharists at 10 am will be on summer hiatus after June 12** and Evening Prayer this Wednesday, June 12, will be a memorial for Peter Earle who died this past Tuesday. (Evening Prayer continues through the summer.)

Grace and peace,
Leighton

Bev Garrett, a long-time and beloved parishioner of St. Mark's, died this past Monday, June 3rd. There will be a memorial service at the church on Saturday October 26th at 11 a.m. Please remember Bev and her family in your prayers.

Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer. Grant them your peace, let light perpetual shine upon them, and, in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

From the Wardens

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

Called to Life - Compelled to Love

**Andrea Douglas
Gene Anne Smith
Wardens**

TONIGHT!

Call the office at 905-468-3123 to secure your tickets now!

A limited number of tickets will be available at the door - but once they are gone, they are gone!

Our very own bell chimer, Bernadette Secco, will be chiming music from the 1940s, beginning at 6:15 p.m.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 124
ST MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH PRESENTS:

D-DAY HEROES

A MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO OUR D-DAY HEROES, 80 YEARS ON

FRIDAY **7** JUNE
7:00 PM

ENJOY SPECIAL D-DAY READINGS, ALONG WITH THE
BEST-LOVED AND TIMELESS MUSIC FROM THE 1940'S FEATURING SONGS
MADE FAMOUS BY VERA LYNN, BING CROSBY, THE ANDREWS SISTERS,
AND MANY OTHERS

FEATURING:
MELISSA-MARIE SHRINER, SOLOIST, MICHAEL BLOSS, PIANO
& NARRATOR JAMES MAINPRIZE

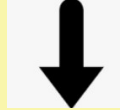


St. Mark's Anglican Church 41 Byron St, NOTL Phone: 905-468-3123
Tickets \$25 each - Available via Church Office Mon-Fri 9am-2pm

Volunteers are needed to transport 64 pails of Cherry Pies from
St. David's storage
to
the rectory and Addison Hall on
Friday July 5th.
If you are able to help please contact Diane Turner
289-362-1827

We invite you to explore the great variety of items in our [updated Haute Emporium Catalogue](#) which is now posted on the St. Mark's website.

Click link below to find the catalogue.



[2024 Haute Emporium Catalogue](#)

[St. Mark's Cherry Festival Webpage](#)

Kindly forward the catalogue to your family and friends. If you wish to purchase from the catalogue please contact semitch215@gmail.com. Our catalogue is the presale to St. Mark's Cherry Festival which takes place on July 6, 2024.

Thank you to all who generously donated to our jewellery drive. We have surpassed our expectations and therefore will not accept any more pieces of jewellery beyond

TUESDAY JUNE 11TH , 2024,



Bracelets, watches, rings, earrings and necklaces are now being accepted. We look forward to receiving both fine jewellery and costume jewellery

**NO JEWELLERY WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER
TUESDAY JUNE 11th**

A tax donation receipt will be given for articles valued over \$100.00.

Please ask friends and neighbours to think of us if they are cleaning out jewellery boxes!

***The St. Mark's Cherry Festival
Saturday July 6th, 2024***

The Haute Emporium requests your help and support.

We are happy to receive summer clothing and women's purses.

Ladies donations can include hats, purses, accessories, shoes, belts, and gently worn clothing items such as coats and jackets, sweaters, pants, blouses, skirts, pantsuits, evening gowns, sporting attire and casual wear.

We also hope to receive artwork, sculptures, silverware, China and crystal, treasures, garden statues, small pieces of furniture, lamps and collectibles, blankets, tablecloths, and books.

When you are cleaning out your closets and cupboards please remember us!

Tax receipts will be issued for things valued over \$100.00. Donations will be professionally appraised. We will happily arrange for pick up closer to the date. If you require pick up please call one of the ladies below:

Trudi Watson 905 468 3314
Elizabeth Jamison 416 577 0750
Dana Lutton 705 349-0324

**Please let your friends and relatives know we are accepting donations!
Be sure to share the date of St. Mark's Cherry Festival - July 6th -
with your families, friends and neighbours.**

We hope to make this year's Cherry Festival the best ever!

Kindest regards,
Trudi, Elizabeth and Dana



******CALLING ALL BAKERS******

ST. MARK'S CHERRY FESTIVAL BAKE SALE 2024

It is time once again to gear up for the Cherry Festival Bake Sale. Anjulika Chand and Gene Anne Smith are this year's Bake Sale co-chairs.

PLEASE CONSIDER BAKING FOR THE CHERRY FESTIVAL THIS YEAR.

As our congregation ages, the need for new bakers increases.

We welcome a wide range of goodies including **cookies**, **squares**, **tarts**, **muffins**, **loaves**, **brownies** and **cakes** etc.

Pull out your favourite recipe and please help us make this years Bake Sale the best ever.

(Baked goods must be delivered to St. Mark's on Friday July 5th between 1 pm-4pm)

WE ALSO REQUIRE VOLUNTEERS TO WORK AT THE BAKE SALE TABLES

If you can contribute by baking and/or working the tables please contact

**Gene Anne Smith
gsmith103@cogeco.ca**

289-686-0382
OR
Anjulika Chand
bubbins3@yahoo.com
905-347-1711

Tour
Ontario's oldest burial ground
at
St. Mark's, Niagara on the Lake

Dr. Earle Waugh
will lead tours
followed by refreshments &
informal discussion

2024 tour dates

Tuesday, June 18
Tuesday, July 23
Tuesday, August 13
Tuesday, September 24
Tuesday, October 22
at
3:30-5:00 in the
afternoon

The \$25 admission fee will
support our on-going
**Monument Restoration
Programme**

Tour group size limited

Information & reservation
Phone St. Mark's
905 468 3123

Tickets are available to purchase at St. Mark's Anglican Church office
(10 people per tour maximum)

Visits to the Addison Library

The archivists of our renowned Addison Library are busy this spring hosting visits from local organizations.

The Niagara Ephemera Society conducted a field trip to the Library on Tuesday May 31st and were presented with a selection of interesting pieces of ephemera discovered among the pages of Robert Addison's books. Several noteworthy volumes from the collection spanning the years 1548 – 1798 were also displayed for the perusal of the members while the archivists attended their questions.

Upcoming on June 18th, the Library will host a visit of 32 Lutheran pastors and theologians attending a preaching conference at Concordia Lutheran Seminary in St. Catharines, followed by a tour of the church and cemetery.

The Library welcomes all visitors and is open Tuesday mornings.



Parish Updates

In-Person Sunday Services

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist [Watch the livestream on YouTube](#)

On Duty this Week

June 9th, 2024 - Greeter(s) - Trudi Watson and Earle Waugh

Reader - Donna Belleville

Intercessor - Penny-Lynn Cookson

Altar Guild - Peggy Walker, Susan Baxter and Diane Turner

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: [Visit our recent E-Newsletters](#)

Click on this link to view our: [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:

In St. Mark's parish: Brian Harrison, Jack Hazell, Lynne Heaman, and David and Rosamund Hennessey and their families.

In the Niagara Diocese: Christ Church, Woodburn, The Reverend Canon Claire Wade, Priest-in-Charge, and the people of that parish.

In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer: The Most Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land, and Global partners and companions.

Did you know.....

.....these facts about D-Day?

....To plan for the D-Day operation, the BBC ran a competition for French beach holiday photographs. It was a way of gathering intelligence on suitable beaches.

From March 12th, 1944, Britain, barred all travel to Ireland to prevent the leaking of the date of the D-Day landings.

The D-Day planners were very particular about the timing of D-day. They wanted a full moon, with a spring tide. They wanted to land at dawn on a flood tide, when the tide was half way in. That meant there were only a few days that were appropriate. June 5th was chosen but it had to be delayed 24 hours for bad weather.

The forecast was so bad that the German commander in Normandy, Erwin Rommel, went home to Germany to give his wife a pair of shoes on her birthday. He was in Germany when the news of the landings was announced.

Hungarian-born photographer Robert Capa, who worked for Life Magazine, was the first photographer to land on Omaha Beach, on one of the earliest waves. He took over 100 photographs, but an over-excited darkroom assistant in London melted most of them during development. Only 11 were salvaged. Life Magazine printed them and said they were blurry because Capa's hands were shaking with the heightened drama of the moment.

The British infantryman was paid £3 15s a month, the Americans got £12.

British intelligence had set up a network of fake agents who fed the Germans misinformation. The Germans paid good money for this misinformation, meaning they were paying into the British exchequer. A useful contribution to the war effort!

It was the largest seaborne invasion in history: 7,000 ships took part.

On the night of the invasion only around 15% of paratroopers landed in the right place.

The German air force, the Luftwaffe, was outnumbered 30:1 on D-day and didn't shoot down one single allied plane in air-to-air combat.

The first allied soldier killed was Lieutenant Herbert Denham 'Den' Brotheridge, just after midnight on the 6th, while leading a charge to seize Pegasus Bridge.

The most exotic German prisoner captured by the allies in Normandy was Yang Kyoungjong. He was a Korean that had been conscripted at 18 years old by the Japanese Army in the 1938. He was captured by the Soviets after a Japanese military incursion in 1939. The Russians made him fight the Germans when they were invaded, and he was captured and conscripted, this time, by the Germans in 1943. Finally, he was captured by the Americans on D-day. He then moved to Illinois, where he died in 1992.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced that he would go to sea with the fleet and watch the D-day landings from HMS Belfast. This idea was opposed by many, and it took King George VI to stop him, by insisting that if Churchill went, he would also go. Eventually that made Churchill back down.

Commonwealth personnel, nearly all British and Canadian, outnumbered the Americans on D-day. Of the 156,000 men who landed in France on 6 June, 73,000 were American, and 83,000 were British and Canadian, while the Commonwealth naval contingent was twice that of the Americans.

There were five beaches, code named, from east to west, Sword, Juno, Gold, Omaha, Utah. Casualties varied widely. On 'Bloody Omaha' where around 4,000 men were killed or wounded, one American unit landing in the first wave lost 90% of its men. On Gold Beach, by contrast, casualty rates were around 80% lower.

The allies put a huge effort into persuading the Germans that the invasion was going to be around Calais, not Normandy. They invented whole groups of armies in Kent, built dummy equipment and placed General George S Patton (who the Germans considered the best allied general) in SE England. The Germans took the bait and even after D-day they held many of their best troops in the Calais area expecting a second invasion.

The SAS masterminded parachute drops in which hundreds of dummies were thrown out of aircraft to confuse the Germans as to where the landings were going to be.

The landings were a success but did not, overall, achieve their ambitious objectives. The British hoped to take the city of Caen on D-Day; in fact, it was only captured one month later, after terribly intense fighting.

The fighting during the Battle of Normandy, that followed D-day, was as bloody a battle as those that took place in the trenches of the WWI. Casualty rates were slightly higher than they were during a typical day during the Battle of the Somme in 1916.

The morning after D-day the police raided a brothel, which French women had set up in a wrecked landing craft.

Bible Study via Zoom

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. rector.stmarks.notl@gmail.com

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