



E-News from the St. Mark's Pews 255th Edition March 14th, 2025



From the Rector

Dear Friends,
This Lent, my Friday meditations are coming to you as short videos. Click the link below to view this week's.

<https://youtu.be/HPV3baIqXKI>

See you in church.

**Grace and peace,
Leighton**

*******Donations needed for the Treasures Sale!*******

We graciously invite you to consider donating your unwanted garden pots, statuary, artwork, china, household items, and decorative pieces for any occasion. We are also pleased to accept gently used hats, purses, and scarves. (However, we ask that you refrain from donating shoes or boots.)

Additionally, we welcome outerwear, including vests, coats, and jackets. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and your contributions will make a positive difference. Thank you!

If you have something to donate, please contact Trudi Watson at trudi4566@gmail.com or call her at 905-468-3314.

Thank you for your kind consideration and support. Together, we can make this year's Cherry Festival the best yet!



**DONATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR
FINE AND COSTUME JEWELLERY**

The Jewelry Committee begins the job of appraising, sorting, and pricing donations in April to be ready for
St. Mark's Cherry Festival on Sat. July 5th.

Donations of fine and costume bracelets, watches, earrings, necklaces and rings can be dropped off at the church office.

A tax receipt will be given for articles
valued and sold over \$100.00

Please ask family, friends, and neighbours to think of us when
cleaning out their jewelry boxes.

This is a significant task, and we are always pleased to welcome
volunteers. Please consider stepping forward to volunteer. Your
contribution will have a powerful impact! If you can help please
contact Carolyn Porter at:

carolyn.porter@sympatico.ca

**We are thrilled to announce that the
St. Mark's Cherry Festival takes place on
Saturday, July 5, 2025.**



**This year, we have organized
a team to make cherry jam!
This begins in late February.**

**We need volunteers to help
make our famous cherry pies!**

There will be 4 pie-making sessions held in
Addison Hall from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM
on the following
Mondays:

**April 14th
April 28th,
May 5th.
and
May 12th**

We do require volunteers. When contacted by Bev Lees or Sue Baxter, please respond with a **"YES"** if you can help.

Donations of funds would also be appreciated.

**If you have any questions contact Diane Turner at 289-362-1827 or email
at 19ab39@gmail.com.**

Thank you for your support!

Four Last Things

**Women of St. Mark's, are you familiar with the concept of the
Four Last Things?**

**Join Susan MacLaren's series on the
Four Last Things
and discover more!**

Join Susan at St. Mark's Addison Hall to hear the fascinating and informative talks.

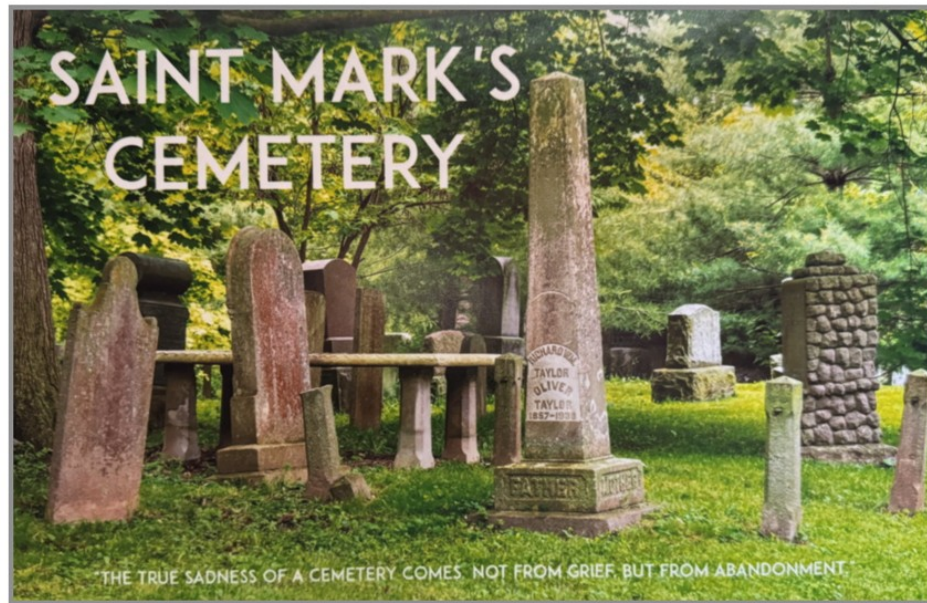
Session dates are:

**MARCH 19 10-NOON
MARCH 26 10-NOON
APRIL 2 10-NOON**

Coffee will be served.



A new St. Mark's publication



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There has been a burial ground in this location since at least 1782, when Leonard Plank, a retired soldier of Butler's Rangers, was interred here. It was, until the mid 1830s, the final resting place of all the town's people, young and old, ordinary, and prominent. More than 2,000 of them lie here in this idyllic plot of land, not far from Fort George and overlooking the mouth of the mighty Niagara. Monuments of every size, of marble, granite, slate, and of many styles proclaim the stories of lives lived. This is an extraordinarily historic, and beautiful place and one of significance for all Canadians.

Cosmo Condina, a prominent photographer of international reputation, grew up in our town and knows the cemetery well. During the summer of 2024, encouraged by Sally Mitchell, his trusty Hasselblad in hand, he focused his trained and astute eye and so captured images, not only of the essence of our cemetery, and its history, but more importantly, he caught the spirit of the lives of those here interred.

This superb fifty-page publication will be digitally printed by Carruthers Printery of Smithville on 100 lb. Creator Silk paper and hardbound with hinge pages stab-stitched by Van Huizen Bindery of St. Catharines. Never has our cemetery been so perfectly captured on film and so professionally presented. Profits from the sale of this publication will aid with St. Mark's Cemetery's ongoing tree maintenance and monument restoration programmes.

We invite interested, and supportive individuals, to become patrons of this unique publication. Patrons' names will be listed in the front of the editioned volumes, a significant portion of the patron's donation will be eligible for an income tax receipt, and patrons will receive their unique copies at a formal reception in St. Mark's Addison Hall from 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. on Thursday May 22, 2025.

Patrons Contribution: Two hundred dollars

To ensure your patronage, and for further information,

[Please email Donald Combe](#)

or call him at 905.932.4175

Your two hundred dollar cheques can also be given to Erin in the office

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

March 16th - Greeter(s) - Jo-Anne Hill and Ian Russell

Reader - Penny-Lynn Cookson

Intercessor - Donna Belleville

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: [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: Deborah Paine, Joe Patchett, Susan Peacock, Gloria Petrunick, and Drew and Carolyn Porter and their families.

In the Niagara Diocese: Christ Church, Wainfleet, The Reverend Canon Nirmal Mendis, Priest-in-Charge; and the people of that parish.

In the Lutheran-Anglican-Moravian Cycle of Prayer: The Rt. Rev. Bruce Myers, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Quebec; Bishop Jason Zinko, the people and rostered ministers of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod; and the people and ministries of Good Shepherd Moravian Church in Calgary.

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