



E-News from the St. Mark's Pews

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Dear Friends,

**My weekly column will return after Labour Day on
Friday, September 11th.**

See you in church!

**Grace and peace,
Leighton**

Thank You  Gratitude  Appreciation

JOIN US
ON THE LAWN!

 *Volunteer* 
APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

To say a heartfelt *thank you* for the tremendous success of this year's **Cherry Festival**, we warmly invite **Cherry Festival Volunteers** and **St. Mark's Parishioners** to join us for a *light luncheon* on the church lawn.

 **SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026**

 **11:30 A.M.**
Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. service

 **CHURCH LAWN**
In case of rain, we will gather in Addison Hall.

With grateful appreciation from
The St. Mark's Corporation
and the Cherry Festival Chair

 **ST. MARK'S**
ANGLICAN CHURCH
NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE



Dear St. Mark's family:

We would be grateful for notes and cards from our parishioners for

Donald Combe,
who is currently in Palliative Care.

Donald truly enjoys receiving mail, and your kind words and prayers would mean a great deal to him.

Messages may be mailed to:

Box 813
Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON
L0S 1J0

Alternatively, cards can be left in the door pocket
behind the front door at:

89 Johnson Street

Several of us will ensure that everything is delivered to him promptly.

Thank you sincerely for your kindness and support



Happy Civic Holiday to everyone!

We hope this long weekend brings you rest and sunshine.
Please note the office will be closed on Monday, August 3rd.

This holiday has produced its share of charming mishaps in NOTL.
One Civic Holiday in the early 1980s, the town tried to host a cheerful "Heritage Paddle & Picnic" along the river.

The plan was simple: locals would paddle downstream, meet at Queen's Royal Park, and enjoy sandwiches and butter tarts.
But in true Niagara-on-the-Lake fashion, half the paddlers politely followed the official route... while the other half followed a different route mistakenly printed in a brochure.

This resulted in two groups arriving at two different parks, each convinced the other group had "gotten turned around a bit." Both picnics went ahead anyway — with one man insisting he had
"never been lost a day in his life!"

It was peak NOTL: scenic and friendly and conducted with a level of coordination that could best be described as "aspirational"!



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 2nd, 2026

Greeter(s) -

8:30 a.m. - Allan Magnacca

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

Reader - Steve Hinchliffe

Intercessor - Steve Hinchliffe

Altar Guild - Peggy Walker, Diane Turner and Susan Baxter

Server - Virginia Mainprize

Hospitality Servers - Anjulika Chand and Rita Brown

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](#)

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Prayer Cycles - We pray for:

In St. Mark's Parish: Barbara MacDonald, Roy and Susan MacLaren, Donald MacLeod, and Allan Magnacca and their families. Please pray for Donald Combe, who is in palliative care, and his family.

In the Niagara Diocese: The Dunn Parish: Christ Church and St. John the Evangelist, Dunnville; The Reverend Canon Richard Moorse, Priest-in-Charge; and the people of that parish.

In the Lutheran-Anglican-Moravian Cycle of Prayer: The Rt. Rev. Lydia Mamakwa, The Rt. Rev. Larry Beardy, and the Rt. Rev. Morris Fidler, Bishops, and the clergy and people of the Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh; The Dean, council, and congregations of the Southern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories; and the Canadian Moravian Historical Society.

We invite you to honour the memories of your loved ones by donating memorial flowers at any time throughout the year.

Please submit your request to the office no later than the Wednesday before the Sunday you want the flowers displayed. This allows us time to include your tribute in both the Order of Service and the E-News.

If you wish to donate, please call Erin in the office.

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