



## E-News from the St. Mark's Pews 315th Edition May 15th, 2026

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**Dear Friends,**

My meditation this week is "What Goes Up Must Come Down" where I ask if Ascension's really about coming down to earth. You can watch it [here](#).

If you prefer to read, the text can be found [here](#).

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**May 24** is the Feast of Pentecost and it will be a special day at St Mark's. Not only will we have Choral Evensong at 5 pm (see the information below) but in the morning we will welcome The Most Rev'd Colin Johnson to the parish. Archbishop Johnson is Assistant Bishop of Niagara. He retired as Archbishop of Toronto in 2018 and was appointed by Bishop Bell to this position in 2022. I hope we will be able to welcome him in classic St Mark's style!

So please mark your calendars and plan to be with us in both the morning and afternoon services.

Choral Evensong is the crown jewel of Anglican liturgy - a beautiful service of music and prayer. I hope you'll invite your friends and neighbours to join us. They - and us - will be richly rewarded.

**Grace and peace,  
Leighton**

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CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF  
PENTECOST



Sunday, May 24 at 5pm

**ST. MARK'S SINGERS**

*Michael Bloss, Director of Music*

*Laurence Williams, Director of Music*

*St Paul's Cathedral, London, Ontario*

St Mark's Anglican Church

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## DONATION REQUESTS FOR ST. MARK'S CHERRY FESTIVAL



**SATURDAY JULY 4, 2026  
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM**

**We appreciate NEW or GENTLY USED donations in the following categories:**

- WOMEN'S FASHION :** Women's Coats, Jackets, Vests, Blazers, Blouses
- ACCESSORIES:** Scarves, Hats, Handbags, Totes
- LINENS:** Tablecloths, Placemats, Napkins, Aprons, Tea Towels, Duvet Covers
- HOME DECOR/ KITCHENWARES/GARDEN ITEMS**
- COLLECTIBLES:** Crystal, China, Silver, Glasses, Vases, Timeless Treasures
- TICKETS:** Cultural or Sporting
- YOU HOST:** Dinners, Cocktail Parties, Teas, BBQs, Wine Tasting, etc
- ARTWORK:** Painting, Prints, Photography
- SMALL FURNITURE PIECES:** Tables, Footstools, Chairs, etc
- BOOKS:** Fiction, Non-Fiction, Coffee Table Book, plus Albums
- JEWELRY:** Costume and the real thing!

Tax receipts issued for items valued and sold over \$100.00

Items can be dropped off at Addison Hall

Please share this request with Family and Friends to donate

Donation inquiries or to arrange a pick-up for larger items, please contact

**Elizabeth Jamieson at 416-577-0750 or [elizabeth.jamieson@sympatico.ca](mailto:elizabeth.jamieson@sympatico.ca) or**

**Jane Dagg at [jdagg.notl@gmail.com](mailto:jdagg.notl@gmail.com)**

**Volunteers appreciated for Saturday July 4, 2026**



**Thank You!**





## Enjoy a safe and happy Victoria Day on Monday, May 18th.

The office will be closed on Monday, May 18th, and will reopen on  
Tuesday, May 19th at 9 a.m.

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### **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**

May 17th, 2026

#### **Greeter(s)**

8:30 a.m. - David and Valmai Elkins

10:30 a.m. - Doug and Colleen Hunter

Reader - Jane DeMunnich

Intercessor - Penny-Lynn Cookson

Altar Guild - Eve Wylie

Flowers - Gary Zanner

Server - Virginia Mainprize

Hospitality Servers - Mona Bailey and Jo-Anne Hill

## 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 Calendar: [Visit our Calendar](#)

## Click here to access St. Mark's Anglican Church Facebook Page

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## **Prayer Cycles - We pray for:**

**In St. Mark's Parish:** Gary and Sarah Burroughs, Bonita Cawker, Anjulika Chand, Jim and Pat Collard, and their families.

**In the Niagara Diocese:** St. John, Stewarttown (Georgetown), The Reverend Audrius Sarka, Priest-in-Charge, and the people of that parish.

**In the Lutheran-Anglican-Moravian Cycle of Prayer:** The Rt. Rev. William Cliff, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Ontario; the Assistant to the Bishop and the staff of the Saskatchewan Synod; and the Rt. Rev. Kay Ward, Bishop of the Unity residing in the Northern Province.

**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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