

The Church of St Mary and St Martha

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The Most Rev. Mark MacDonald became the Anglican Church of Canada's first National Indigenous Anglican Bishop in 2007, after serving as bishop of the U.S. Episcopal Diocese of Alaska for 10 years. In 2019, Bishop MacDonald was elevated to Archbishop.

This was a home-coming of sorts for Archbishop MacDonald, who had attended Wycliffe College in Toronto and served as a priest in Mississauga, Ont.

He holds a B.A. in religious studies and psychology from the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth, Minn., an M.A. in divinity from Wycliffe College, and did post-graduate work at Luther-Northwestern Theological Seminary in Minneapolis.

He has had a long and varied ministry, holding positions in Mississauga, Ont., Duluth, Minn., Tomah, Wis., Mauston, Wis., Portland, Ore., and the southeast regional mission of the Diocese of Navajoland. He is the board chair for Church Innovations, Inc., and a third order Franciscan.

He is the author and contributor to many books and resources. He and his wife Virginia have 3 children.

St Mary and St Martha is pleased to welcome Archbishop MacDonald on July 18th!

Mark Regis stated: "I am convinced that it is no mere 'coincidence' that Abp Mark was available on this July 18th which is marked by the Mark 10.13-16 passage. Jesus resolutely proclaimed that children are dearly cherished in the heart of God. The fact that Indigenous children were treated in such a way is a terrible affront to generations of Indigenous families, and a terrible affront to God. The legacy of residential schools has produced generational trauma that continues to damage lives today.

The path to healing and reconciliation lies before us, as Christians and as citizens of Canada. We look forward to a wise and compassionate Indigenous voice to help us learn and point us in a direction of action that will bring the justice that God calls us to."

See page 2 for information about our Indigenous Support fund.



To Access the Q & A with Sandra Seaborn from July 11th

Simply enter the following link into your browser to watch the Question and Answer session with Sandra from last Sunday: <https://youtu.be/7lXUOggTnTk>. Sandra will be back with us on August 8th.

Summer Holidays!

Mark and the Regis family will be away in July. In case of a pastoral emergency, The Rev'd Canon David Harrison is available. His number is 647 983 4495 .

You can also call the church office at 416 766 1887.

What's Happening will be published every other week this summer (July 18, August 1, August 15, August 29).

Indigenous Support

As a response to the on-going legacy of the residential school system, grants from the healing fund are made to encourage and initiate programs that help healing of language loss, cultural abuse and other forms of hurt and oppression

Give to SMSM under "Indigenous Support" at <https://www.stmaryandstmartha.org/give/> or mark a cheque or envelope with the designation.

We look forward to welcoming Archbishop Mark MacDonald as our preacher on July 18th.

An enthusiastic group of volunteer leaders met recently to package materials for our virtual summer camp this month called "Bug Safari." Packages were delivered to each of the children and the camp was off to a great start on July 9th. Special thanks to all those who have been involved in the planning, praying, and implementation of this camp.



Brighter, Cleaner, Fresher!!

Many thanks to Fitzroy and Francis Thomas and Jorge Vargas (our caretaker) for painting the parish hall. It looks so much better!!



Before

and after



Clean Up Crew!

As we begin to plan for re-opening this fall, the church is requesting members to help with clean-up and preparation of the worship space.

There will be 4 time slots:

- * Friday, July 23, morning (9am-noon) and * Friday, July 23, afternoon (1pm-4pm)
- * Saturday, July 24, morning (9am-noon) and * Saturday, July 24, afternoon (1-4pm)

We are requesting 15 volunteers per time slot to comply with COVID-19 restrictions. Please register so that our team can plan accordingly for the day.

Registration can be done online: <https://stmaryandstmartha.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/935365> or by phone through the office.

Last Call!

If you or someone you love wishes to be baptised at our summer baptisms, please contact Ben or Sonya before July 23rd. There will be 3 sessions of preparation for candidates/parents and godparents.

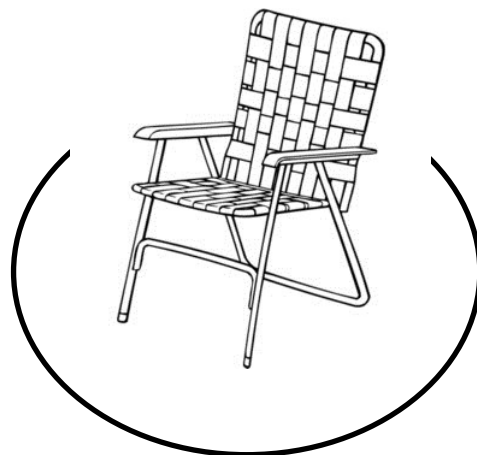
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Outside Gathering on August 15th!

Please plan to join us for an outside worship service at 10.30 am on Sunday, August 15th. We will gather at the 1796 Lawrence Avenue for a service filled with joy and music and the word of God. There will be a sign-up available (more info to come) or you can phone to the office stating how many people from your household will be attending. If you can, bring a lawn chair! We don't yet know all the guidelines for in-person worship in the Diocese but so long as we are spread out (socially distanced), we should be able to have as many people as wish to attend!



St. Mary & St. Martha has been warmly invited to join the church of Little Trinity for an inspiring night of reflection and praise. The Prayer & Praise Night will be **July 15, 8:00-9:00pm**, and it will be available online via YouTube as well as in-person!

To attend in-person, please register here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/in-person-prayer-praise-night-tickets-161781630211>

The livestream YouTube is accessed here: <https://youtu.be/o6xd-AvpmL4>

Wish to make a donation?

The people of St Mary and St Martha have always been very faithful in their financial givings to the church. We are not meeting together so you might be wondering how best to fulfil your financial pledge, especially in this challenging time.

1. You can drop-off or mail your envelope to the Church—we now have a lockable mailbox outside the parking lot doors. Elizabeth is generally in the office on Tuesdays from 10 until 2.
2. You can make an online donation (e-transfer) to giving@stmaryandstmartha.org.
3. You can give through Canada Helps.
4. You can sign up for Pre-Authorized Giving.

For Option 3 or 4, go to www.stmaryandstmartha.org and follow the link to the Givings page or call the office.

Please be in touch with the Rev'd Elizabeth Nelson (office@stmaryandstmartha.org) if you have questions.

Join Zoom Worship

7 pm on Wednesdays (Evening Prayer and study) and 10.30 am on Sundays:

<https://zoom.us/j/92323293818?pwd=b2NnY2tFO2VtYkIJL3htTUlrVjdPZzo9>

or phone in: 647 374 4685 Canada

Meeting ID: 923 2329 3818

Password: 677822

Sunday Worship Service: 10.30 am followed by Q and A and prayer

Children and Youth Ministry resume in September.

Wednesday Evening at 7 pm—Evening Prayer followed by “Surprised by Hope”

Feel free to invite friends and family to join us! Did you know that you can go to the St Mary and St Martha YouTube channel or to the website to watch any sermon?

Need help signing up for a COVID 19 shot?

Sandy McCamus is happy to help you out. Please call the office (416 766 1887) and leave your name and number. Sandy will then be in touch!

COVID-19 Clinics at West Park Healthcare (82 Buttonwood) from Tuesdays to Saturdays 4-8.30 pm and Community Place Hub (1765 Weston Road) Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from noon to 8. Go to www.wpcovidclinic.org to book.

Weston Farmers' Market

Every Saturday!

This year the market will be held from on

John St from Pantelis



Kalamaris Lane onwards towards the Artscape Weston Commons. It will be open every Saturday until October 30th from 8:00 am to 2:00pm. Over 20 vendors to tempt you!

Sunday Readings: July 18—Zechariah 7.8-14;

Mark 10.13-16

July 25—Isaiah 40.6-11; John 10.11-18

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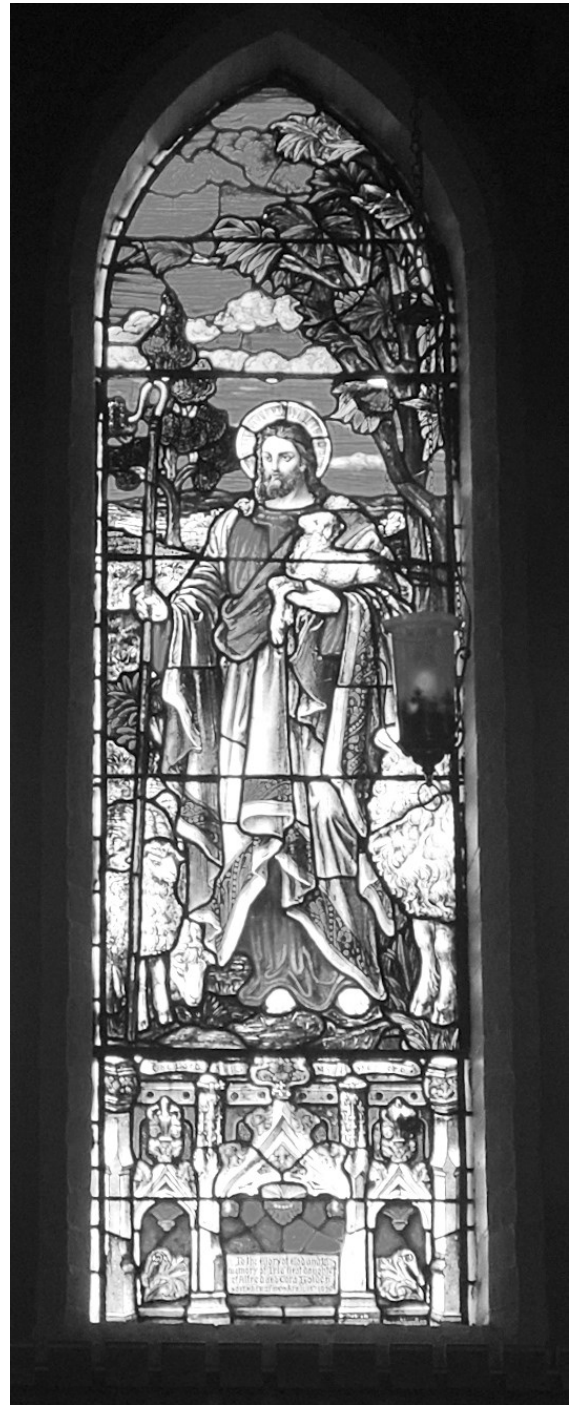


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July 18



July 25

For colouring, contemplation, meditation, reflection.

The window of the week will be highlighted here in What's Happening.

Send your finished "masterpieces" to office@stmaryandstmartha or drop off at the office. We hope to include some on Sunday mornings.