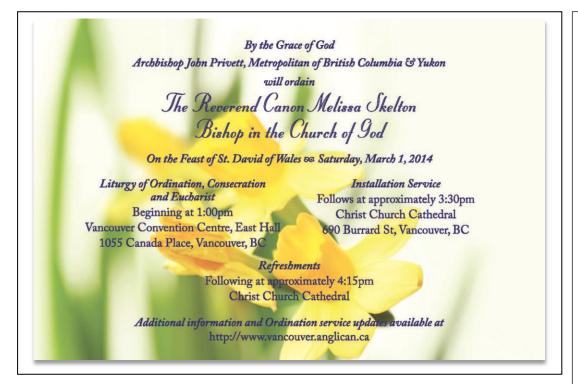


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NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH SUNDAY, FEB. 23, 2014

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Order of the Diocese of New Westminster

We are pleased to announce that the recipient of this year's Order of the Diocese of New Westminster is Ken Turnham. Ken has had an exceptional history of servant leadership at both the church and diocesan levels. He has served as Rector's Warden, People's Warden, Trustee, Synod Delegate, Chalice Bearer, and Eucharistic Minister, as well as sitting on various committees and projects at St. Mark's and for the Diocese of New Westminster. Congratulations Ken!

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9am to 3pm Friday 10am to 1pm

Upcoming Events

Monday, Feb. 24

9am - Exercise Class - H

Tuesday, Feb. 25

9:30 - Bible Study - FR

7pm - Parish Council - FR

7-9pm – Youth Group – Y

7pm - Bible Study - O

7pm - Bible Study - L

Wednesday, Feb. 26

9am - Exercise Class - H

10am -Service - S

11am - Altar Guild - FR

7:30 - Choir Practice - S

Friday, Feb. 28

9am - Exercise - H

UPCOMING EVENT: Tuesday, March 4

Shrove Tuesday



LENTEN STUDY 2014 – A Holy Land Journey – Come along on a journey to the Holy Land. We will take you on a fast-paced, visually inspiring & educational tour of Jerusalem, the temple, the cross & the empty tomb. Our personal guide will be Dave Stotts, host & editor of "A Drive Through History". Your leader & moderator is Rev. Craig who will spend one month in Jerusalem this Spring on an Extended Study Leave. This is your opportunity to get a preview of what it is like to be there & explore on location the ancient world of the bible. The course will take place on 3 Thursday evenings: March 13, 20 & 27, 7:30 to 9pm. There is no fee for this course. Please contact the office to register: 604-535-8841 OR office@stmarkbc.org.

<u>Announcement</u> – Here is your new Parish Council for 2014. Please keep them in your hearts and prayers. **Rev.**Craig Tanksley and Rev. Denise Doerksen; People's Wardens are Brian Switzer and Roger Hussen; Rector's Warden is Betty-Ann Bainbridge; Recording Secretary is Drew Gauntley; Treasurer is Barbara Carington Smith; Synod Delegates are Greg Brown, Tom Mackie, Anne Schreck, and Linda Zeal; Alternate Synod Delegates are Diane Clou, Kerry Zeal, Stewart Wallis and Art Go; Members at Large are Lynne Brownridge, Bob Pedersen and Ian Reynolds; Youth Synod Delegate is Josh Brown, and Rebeca Brown is Alternate Youth Synod Delegate.

<u>Today</u> – is "Souper Sunday" – purchase your soup after the 8am Service, before and/or after the 10am Service.

2014 World Day Of Prayer – Friday, March 7th at White Rock Salvation Army, 15417 Roper Avenue, 1:30pm start. For more information call: 604- 531-7314. World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together the first Friday of March to observe a common day of prayer each year. It is coordinated by Women's Inter-church Council of Canada. www.wicc.org

<u>Library News</u> – Are you looking for answers to the many questions you deal with as a Teen? School pressures, a challenging home situation, or uncertainties about your future. Maybe you simply need a little inspiration. <u>God's Way For Teens</u>, edited by Christy Sterner, is filled with true stories that reveal powerful insights from teens experiencing the same challenges as you are.

<u>Prayer Chain Contact</u> - is Lynne Hurd and she can be reached by calling: 604-542-2772, or by writing to her at lynneh1@telus.net.

<u>Seniors News</u> – Wednesday Get Togethers are alternate Wednesdays (until further notice) with the next one on **March 6**. Join us at 1pm in the Family Room for games, or in the Library for conversation, both followed by light refreshments, tea and coffee at 2:30pm in the Family Room.

Upcoming Event:

Mon. March 10, VSO Concert at Bell Centre, bus leaves the Church at 7pm.

Please call Sue at 604-531-4931 or email Sue at sinder@shaw.ca, or call Janet at 604-531-9582.

Youth – Youth Alpha takes place on Sundays, at 10am, from Sun. Jan. 19 to Sun. April 13. Today's topic is "Prayer: Why & How Do I Pray?". All middle/high school students are invited to join us in the Youth Room each week for breakfast and a time of fellowship and discussion. Please contact Josh at: youth@stmarkbc.org, or call 604-614-5852 for more information.

<u>The Pie Guy</u> – Brian is happy to take your order for pies. He can be reached at 604-538-0269 or at thepieguy@shaw.ca

Sunday School - The focus this week is Matthew 5:38-48, Loving All People.

<u>The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children</u> is provided this week by Carol Scott to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

<u>Flowers for the Altar</u> are given today by Irene Snow to the honour and glory of God and in memory of my beloved husband Bill.

Next Week's Bible Readings – March 2, 2014: Exodus 24:12-18, Psalm 99, 2 Peter 1:16-21, Matthew 17:1-9

QR Code – Have a smartphone? Scan the QR code for a special text message!

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS ARE READY

They are available for pick up in the Narthex.

