

"PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH SUNDAY, MARCH 30

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Rector's Easter Letter -

In the Narthex please pick up your labelled envelope. This helps greatly to save on postage costs.

<u>A Child-Friendly Evening Service of Communion</u> with A Potluck Supper will happen on <u>Sunday, April 6th</u>, at 5:30pm. Rev. Denise will coordinate the evening with your help and participation. Please contact her to help out!

<u>A Baptismal Journey</u> - Jacob and David Higginson are on a baptismal journey this Lent. Please pray for them during this time!

<u>A Communion Program for Children</u> – "Life in the Eucharist: A Communion Program for Children", will be offered soon. A meeting will be held on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>April 13th</u> following the 10am service. The meeting is for parents/guardians, children ages 4-9 years, and those wishing to be companions to the families who will participate. Please contact Rev. Denise if you are interested or if you have any questions.

<u>Nursery Wish List</u> - With your help we can create a new and improved space for parents to come to worship with their infant/toddler on Sunday mornings. If you have one or more of the following, in new or nearly new condition, please contact Rev. Denise...** change-table; ** crib; ** standing room screen(s); & ** nursing rocker(s). Thanks for your consideration of this vital ministry need.

<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>Youth</u> – Youth Alpha takes place on Sundays, at 10am until Sun. April 13. Today's topic is: "Evil – How Can I Resist Evil?" 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: <u>youth@stmarkbc.org</u>, or call 604-614-5852 for more information.

<u>ACW Bales To The North</u> – Today is the last day to submit your donations of used clothing in the box in the Narthex. Thank You!

Sunday School - The focus this week is "A Blind Man Sees" - John 9:1-41

Next Week's Bible Readings – Ezekiel 37:1-14, Psalm 130, Romans 8:6-11, and John 11:1-45

<u>PWRDF Update</u> – The most recent UPDATE from PWRDF sheds some light on the following important initiative - The Safe Drinking Water for First Nations Act is a vital step towards ensuring First Nations have the same health and safety protections for drinking water as other Canadians. The legislation will allow the Government to develop, in partnership with First Nations, enforceable federal regulations to

OFFICE HOURS

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

Upcoming Events

Monday, March 31

9am – Exercise Class - H

Tuesday, April 1

1pm - Prayer Shawls - FR

7pm – Bible Study - FR

7-9pm – Youth Group – Y

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Wednesday, April 2

9am - Exercise Class - H

10am - Service

1pm - Seniors - FR & Library

7:30 - Choir Practice - S

Thursday, April 3

7pm - All Leaders' Mtng - FR

Friday, April 4

9am - Exercise - EdC

Sunday, April 6

5:30pm Child-Friendly Evening Service of Communion, with a Potluck Supper

Sunday, April 13

Following the 10am Service – Meeting for parents & guardians, and children ages 4-9, regarding "Life in the Eucharist: A Communion Program for Children"

Holy Wednesday, April 16

10am Healing Service – will not be held; There is a 7:30pm Compline Service that evening. ensure access to safe, clean and reliable drinking water; the effective treatment of wastewater; and the protection of sources of water on First Nation lands. In June of last year this important bill was passed into law. For more information use the following link: https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/

<u>The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children</u> is provided this week by Barbara and Jamie Grantham to the Glory of God, and in gratitude for all his gifts.

<u>Seniors News</u> – Wednesday Get Togethers are alternate Wednesdays (until further notice) with the next one on **April 2**. 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. For information on upcoming events please call Sue at 604-531-4931 or email Sue at sinder@shaw.ca, or call Janet at 604-531-9585.

It is time once more to consider what plays and musicals we wish to see this summer season:

- (i) Tickets are available for the Gilbert & Sullivan Society's HMS PINAFORE at White Rock Playhouse, for Thursday, May 8, 8pm performance; cost is \$27 per person and rides will be arranged for those who need them. Call Sue or Janet;
- (ii) Renewal notices are arriving daily for the 2014-2015 VSO season tickets. If you are presently a season ticket holder with our senior's group, please notify Sue if you wish to renew for next season. The program for next year is available for viewing if you see Sue after church on Sunday; and (iii) Theatre Under the Stars has two productions: "Schreck The Musical" and "Legally Blond". A possible date for "Legally Blond" (a repeat of last successful and popular run) would be on a date during the last week of July or the first week of August. Please contact Sue or Janet if you wish to see this show.

