



# St. Mark's Anglican Church

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## **"PARISH PULSE"** **NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH for** **SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2014**

**Sunday School Volunteers Needed** – St. Mark's Sunday School is looking forward to a new year with a new crew of volunteers. On Saturday, August 9, from 9:30am to 11:30am, we are coming together to prepare ourselves to love and serve the children of our parish. Please consider attending this training and team-building session if you too would like to nourish children in the faith of Jesus Christ. We need at least four more volunteers for the coming year. If you can give one Sunday a month to help out please come out on August 9. Contact Rev. Denise for more details.

**Server Training** – Sunday, August 10, 12:30 to 1:30pm. Contact Rev Denise if you are interested in learning what serving at the Table is all about!

### **Episcopal Visit Sunday, November 16**

We are very excited to present our Parish to her for the first time! If you have any questions or comments please contact a member of the Planning Group: Jack B., Anne S., Linda Z., Betty-Ann B., or Rev. Denise.

**Ministry Fair** – is coming on Holy Cross Day, Sunday, September 14! This is an event to showcase our current ministries for all members -- current and newcomers -- of St. Mark's. The Fair helps ministries develop and take on new members. The Fair is inspirational as well, inspiring participants to consider new ministries. So, mark your calendars and come out for this Fair and see where the Spirit moves you to serve in the upcoming year. Ministry leaders are encouraged to prepare a booth for presentation in the Hall following the 10am Service. Please contact a Warden for more details.

**The Silva Family** – is a missionary family working with Youth With A Mission (YWAM) in Brazil. Daniel (since 1999) and Staci (since 2000) have travelled extensively sharing the gospel and expressing the values of the Kingdom of God through the arts and media. They have been pioneering a media and film ministry "Ponte Films" (or, "Bridge", in English) since 2010 and Staci has started a blog called "A God Coloured Girl In A Grey World". A support form, with more information about the Silva's ministry, is available in the Office.

St. Mark – Ocean Park Operating Fund Account --			Financial Status at June 30, 2014	
	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR to DATE	BUDGET	VARIANCE
TOTAL INCOME	29,736.47	193,717.42	216,752.94	(23,035.52)
TOTAL EXPENSES	36,529.03	218,663.25	216,752.94	(1,910.31)
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**Craig's Blog** – Access the "Pastor's Blog" via [www.stmarkbc.org/blog/](http://www.stmarkbc.org/blog/) on St. Marks' website. Also Craig and Holly's stories are pinned up on the Hall's bulletin board. Craig and Holly are now in Odessa.

**Needed: A Condo for Temporary Accommodation** – A condo suite (or similar) for Margot McDermott. Occupancy starting immediately. If you can help with this search for a living space call Margot at: 604-837-8024.

**Next Sunday's Bible Readings** – Genesis 32:22-31, Psalm 17:1-7, 16, Romans 9:1-5, Matthew 14:13-21

**Prayer Chain Contact For The First Two Weeks of August Is** – Lynne Hurd. Call 604-542-2772 or email: [lynneh1@telus.net](mailto:lynneh1@telus.net)

**The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children** is provided this week to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

**Flowers for the Altar** – Flowers for the Altar are given by the Maxwell family to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Deb's Mom, Dorothy; Flowers are also given today by Brenda Horner to the Glory of God and in celebration of family wedding anniversaries in July.

**St. Mark's Youth** – Youth gather on Sundays at 10am in the Youth Room. Our current series, "For The Life Of The World" will help us integrate our faith with life in the modern world. After taking a summer break, youth will gather in September on Tuesday evenings for fellowship and Bible study. For more information or to sign up for our newsletter visit [www.stmarkbc.org/youth/](http://www.stmarkbc.org/youth/)

**Summer Sunday School** – will be held downstairs in the Education Centre during July and August.

**Vacation Bible School** – This year's theme is "Son Treasure Island". The VBS runs between Mon. August 18 and Fri. August 22. Application and consent forms are available Monday through Friday in the Church Office.

**First Fruits Garden Project** – "Officially" first Sundays, June to October. Following the 8am and the 10am Services each first Sunday of the month there will be an offering of the "First Fruits of our produce..." Prov. 3:9, at a table in the Parish Hall. Please donate to this fun and very interactive offering of vegetables, fruits, seedlings, flowers, bulbs, etc. by some of our very generous gardeners. 2014 donations will be used for ongoing work in the Memorial Garden.

#### **Seniors News**

The last Senior's Wednesday Get Together until mid-September is August 6, from 1:00-3:30pm – games in the Family Room & conversation in the Library, followed by light refreshments and tea and coffee at 2:30pm in the Family Room.

THANK YOU to Denny for the wonderful bus ride to North Vancouver to catch the Rocky Mountaineer and THANK YOU to Jack Blatchford for helping us secure lovely hotels rooms at the Delta Whistler Village. A grand time was had by all 18 travellers.

Thurs. Aug. 7 – "Legally Blonde" directed by Kerry O'Donovan at Theatre Under The Stars – the bus leaves the Church by 5:45pm for the 7:30pm curtain. Cost includes: ticket & bus, and is approximately \$55.

Tues. Aug. 12 – Crescent Beach Bard – Contact Janet.

Coming Up – Murder Mystery & Science Night at the Telus Science World in Vancouver; 7-10pm, Fri. Oct. 24 – this is an Adults Only event. If you want to go on the bus please book your place soon. Only 17 seats – Call Sue or Janet at your earliest convenience.

For information on upcoming events please call Sue at 604-531-4931 or email her at [sinder@shaw.ca](mailto:sinder@shaw.ca), or call Janet at 604-531-9585.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday through Thursday**  
**9am to 3pm**

**Friday 10am to 1pm**

#### **Upcoming Events**

##### **Monday, July 28**

9am – Exercise Class - H

##### **Wednesday, July 30**

9am - Exercise Class – H

10am - Service – Sanctuary

##### **Friday, August 1**

9am - Exercise Class – H

#### **NOTE:**

**On Monday, August 4** the Office is Closed for the Civic Holiday

