



St. Mark's Anglican Church

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NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 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 FOOD BANK NEEDS YOU

Please bring an item of non-perishable food for the basket in the Narthex.

**Your donations will be delivered to the Food Bank.
Thank you!**

Baptismal Candidates – Emma-Lee and Liam will be baptized during the 10am Service on Sunday, August 31. Please keep them in your prayers during their Baptismal journey.

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.

Next Sunday's Bible Readings – Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28, Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b

Prayer Chain Contact For The First Two Weeks of August is – Lynne Hurd. Call 604-542-2772 or email: lynneh1@telus.net

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

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/

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.

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

Flowers for the Altar – are given today to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

Wednesday Services in the Summer – Please note that the monthly Healing Service will begin again on the third Wednesday in September. May God continue to bless you and heal you as you present your requests to Him. Request to Him, for His word says in Exodus 15:26: "I am the Lord who heals you."

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.

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, or call Janet at 604-531-9585.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, August 4

OFFICE CLOSED

For Civic Holiday

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

Friday 10am to 1pm

Upcoming Events

Monday, August 4

Office Closed

Wednesday, August 6

9am - Exercise Class – H

10am - Service – Sanctuary

1pm – Seniors Get Together
– FR/L

Friday, August 8

9am - Exercise Class – H

Sat. August 9

9:30-11:30am – Sunday

School Volunteer Meeting –
Education Centre

Sun. August 10 – Server

Training - Sanctuary

