

"PARISH PULSE"

NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2014

<u>Maintenance Coordinator</u>-After many years of dedicated and faithful service Les Edmonds has decided to retire. A celebration of Les's custodial ministry is planned for Sunday, Sept. 7.

We are formally advising the members of our Parish of a competition for the position of **Maintenance Coordinator**. The job requires about 20 hours of work a week, usually spread over 5 days a week, with days worked being negotiable. It pays an honorarium of \$750 per month. To qualify for this position, the prospective candidate should be able to demonstrate through job history, or volunteer work around the church, that he or she has the knowledge, skills and abilities to fulfill the job duties. Qualified candidates will be invited to an interview. To apply for this position you will need to obtain a **job description**, which includes a statement of qualifications, and an **application form**. These documents may be obtained from any church warden or the church office. All completed applications must be received by the church wardens or church office by 3:00pm on Monday, August 25, 2014.

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.

Consultation on Marriage—As you may be aware, General Synod enacted a Resolution that directs that a Motion be brought to the floor of General Synod in 2016 that would amend Canon XXI on Marriage in the Church so as to enable same-sex marriage in the Anglican Church. This Resolution further directs that there be a broad consultation within the Anglican Church about the preparation of the Motion and consideration of particular matters specified in the Resolution. Amongst other things, this includes a biblical and theological rationale on the nature of Christian marriage. This is an extremely important step for the Church and all parishioners are encouraged to make their views known through submissions. These submissions can be in a variety of formats, including written papers or videos. Further instructions and details of how submission can be made are available at www.anglican.ca/about/ccc/cogs/cmc/ The June edition of the Anglican Journal features a story on the consultation process. If you have any questions please contact members of Parish Council.

Next Sunday's Bible Readings-Exodus 1:8-2:10, Psalm 124, Romans 12:1-8, Matthew 16:13-20

Ken Turnham – Order of the Diocese of New Westminster - We are pleased to announce that our new Bishop, The Right Reverend Melissa Skelton, has awarded the Order of the Diocese of New Westminster to Ken Turnham. His membership in the Order is a sign of gratitude for his many years of faithfully serving the church with distinction, and for all he has done in Christ's ministry at both St. Mark's and at the diocesan levels.

<u>Ministry Fair</u>-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.

<u>Baptismal Candidates</u>-Emma-Lee and Liam will be baptized during the 10am Service next Sunday, August 31. This will be a Service of Holy Communion. Please keep the Baptismal Candidates in your prayers during their Baptismal journey.

Prayer Chain Contact-is Mary Brown who can be reached by calling 604-535-6408.

Vacation Bible School-This year's theme is "Son Treasure Island". VBS is each day next week.

Flowers for the Altar-This Sunday the flowers are provided to the Glory of God.

St. Mark – Ocean Park Operating Fund Account Financial Status at July 31, 2014				
	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR to DATE	BUDGET	VARIANCE
TOTAL INCOME	24,590.00	218,327.42	252,878.50	(34,551.08)
TOTAL EXPENSES	32,433.56	251,096.81	252,878.50	(1,781.69)
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(7,843.56)	\$(32,769.39)	\$	\$(32,769.39)

<u>St. Mark's Youth</u>-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/

Episcopal Visit Sunday, November 16-We are very excited to present our Parish to our new Bishop, The Right Reverend Melissa Skelton 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.

<u>The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children</u>-The Lunch Basket for hungry children is provided today by Violet Reimer to the Glory of God and to His precious Son Jesus for their boundless love and care for all children. "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Luke 18:16

<u>Wednesday Services in the Summer-Please</u> 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."

<u>First Fruits Garden Project</u>-"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.

Next Men's Club Meeting-will be Tuesday evening, September 9th.

! SAVE THE DATE!

St. Mark's Concert
Sunday, October 26, 3pm
Featuring
Cellist BENJAMIN LOUWERSHEIMER &
Concert Pianist KRYSTYNA TUCKA

Hope You Will Come!



OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday

<u>9am to 3pm</u>

Friday <u>10am to 1pm</u>

Upcoming Events

Monday, August 18

9am to 5pm – Vacation Bible School – H

Tuesday, August 19

9am to 5pm – Vacation Bible School – H

Wednesday, August 20

10am - Service - Sanctuary 9am to 5pm - Vacation Bible School - H

Thursday, August 21

9am to 5pm – Vacation Bible School – H

Friday, August 22

9am to 5pm – Vacation Bible School – H