

"PARISH PULSE"

NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2014

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Thank you for your financial support-If donating by cheque please make it payable to: Parish of St. Mark-Ocean Park.

Episcopal Visit Sunday, November 16-Bishop Melissa Skelton's visit to St. Marks is fast approaching. She is looking forward to preaching and presiding over both services on November 16 and has expressed a keen desire to meet as many people in the parish as possible following the 10:00AM service. To that end, a special buffet lunch is being planned in the Hall. It is hoped that well over 200 people will attend. Please consider contributing to this blessed event to cover costs of food and advertising. Please use your own envelope or the pew envelopes directed to "The Episcopal or Bishop's Visit". If you have any questions or suggestions please contact a member of the Planning Group, Jack B, Anne S, Betty-Ann, Linda Z or the clergy. Thank you very much.

Debbie Emery is a long-time member of our parish who has experience in the catering business. We have asked her to plan this wonderful event in the spirit of welcoming our Bishop and celebrating her ministry among us. Debbie is offering her time and talent and is working hard to keep the cost at a minimum. Please consider your support and pray that this day will be a special occasion, an offering that is pleasing to the Lord.

<u>ACW Announcements</u>-The <u>sock tree</u> is back in the Narthex for the collection of socks, toques, work gloves, treats and small toiletries, to be made into Christmas gifts for the seafarers in port at Christmas time. The box for the <u>bales to the North</u> is also in the Narthex. The list of items required includes: men's PJs, mitts & gloves for all ages/gender, bars of soap, small cross-stitch projects, small make-up bags and items to put into them, used baby clothing, sleepers for 6-9 months, 9-12 months and 18-24 months. The <u>2015 Canadian Church Calendar</u> is now available for purchase from Kathryn Smith.

Alpha Wednesday's Launch Nite Is Coming!-On Wed. Oct. 29th at 7pm, in the Christian Education Centre, we will launch Campus Alpha with the presentation: "Is This It?" This is for anyone curious about God and the Christian faith. Please contact Rev. Denise if you can help host this event and the course to follow. Course dates are: Wed. Nov. 5, Wed. Nov. 19, Wed. Nov. 26 & Wed. Dec. 3, Wed. Dec. 10 and Wed. Dec. 17. Pass the word!

<u>St. Mark's Men's Club</u>-is once again collecting unused Christmas cards for the Surrey Remand Centre. If you have any please place them in the box in the Narthex before Sun. Nov. 16.

St. Mark's Concert Ministry-Buy your tickets at the door for today's Concert – *Fire & Ice – Sonatas for Piano & Cello*. The concert starts at 2pm. Benjamin Louwersheimer on cello and Krystyna Tucka on piano. Tickets are \$15/each.

Sunday School-Focus this week is Matthew 22:34-46. Recognizing that the sharing of the Gospel is an act of love.

Next Sunday's Bible Readings-Revelation 7:9-17, Psalm 34:1-10, 22, 1 John 3: 1-3, Matthew 5:1-12

Prayer Chain Contact-is Joyce Ness. She can be reached at 604-535-0460 or joybill@telus.net

Flowers for the Altar-are given today by Janet Scott to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, lan.

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

St. Mark – Ocean Park Operating Fund Account Financial Status at Sept. 30, 2014				
	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR to DATE	BUDGET	VARIANCE
TOTAL INCOME	34,344.00	285,699.42	325,129.50	(39,430.08)
TOTAL EXPENSES	35,987.59	322,374.12	325,129.50	2,755.38
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(1,643.59)	\$(36,674.70)	\$	\$(36,674.70)

<u>St. Mark's Youth</u>-Youth gather on Sundays at 10am in the Youth Room for their learning series: "Crazy Love: Overwhelmed by a Relentless God". Also join us on Tuesday evenings at 7pm for our FUN weekly evening Bible Studies as we get to know some interesting characters from the Old Testament. For more information, or to sign up for our newsletter, visit www.stmarkbc.org/youth/

Operation Christmas Child is here! St. Mark's Youth invite you to bless children around the world by packing a shoebox of toys & essentials. Pick up a box & brochure in the Narthex. Boxes must be dropped off in the Narthex or Office no later than Sun. Nov. 16. This year shoeboxes will be distributed in Uruguay, El Salvador, Guatemala, Sierra Leone, Guinea Bissau, Venezuela, Equatorial Guinea, Costa Rica, Guinea, Haiti, Nicaragua, Chile – including Easter Island – and Senegal.



Remembrance & Variety Show-On Sat. Nov. 1st there are two shows, 2pm and 7pm, in the Sanctuary at St. Mark's. This year is the 70th anniversary of D-Day. The concert features the Langley Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, and includes our very own Denny O'Donovan. Special guests include the Company "B" Jazz Band & their fabulous swing sound, just like the Andrews Sisters. For tickets please call Denny at 604-536-7983 OR 778-231-6560. Tickets are also available at the door, on the day. So come out on Sat. Nov. 1 to enjoy some great music.

<u>Watercolour Prints Of St. Mark's</u>-are for sale in the Narthex (on the counter in front of the Brochure Rack). Proceeds of the sale of the small framed print and the large framed print are directed to the building fund. Prices are indicated on the prints.



Readers Ministry-It is time to update the 2015 Readers List for the 10am Service. If this is a Ministry you are interested in learning more about please speak to John or Roberta Braddock at 604-538-8642, or leave your name with the Office.

<u>Seniors News</u>-Wednesday Get Togethers are alternate Wednesdays. The next one is on **Wed. Oct. 29**th. Games are in the Family Room & chatting is the Library from 1pm to 3:30pm, with refreshments at 2:30pm. *Note:* On Wed. Nov. 12th, we plan to go to lunch, and a short bus ride, courtesy of Denny.

Upcoming Events include:

Sat. Nov. 1 – 2pm (or 7pm) at St. Mark's, the Capital City Chorus Barbershop Remembrance Day Concert – Denny will have tickets and we can arrange to purchase them and to transport those needing a ride to the 2pm matinee.

Tues. Nov. 11 – 2:30pm, Orpheus Men's Choir – Rembrance Day Concert at St. John's Presbyterian Church, White Rock – tickets will be purchased from Charles Carrington Smith, and we have to know numbers, so please let us know if you want to go. Cost is about \$20/each.

If you are interested in any, or all, of the events, please contact Sue at 604-531-4931, or sinder@shaw.com, or call Janet at 604-531-9585.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday: 9am to 3pm Friday: 10am to 1pm

Upcoming Events

Monday, October 27

9am – Exercise – Hall 10:15am – Israeli Folk Dance – Hall

Tuesday, October 28

9:30am - Bible Study - Family Room 7pm - Bible Study - Education Centre 7pm - Parish Council - Family Room 7pm - Youth Group - Youth Room

Wednesday, October 29

9am – Exercise – Hall 10am – Service – Sanctuary 1pm – Seniors Get-Together – Family Room & Library 6:30pm – Alpha Course – Education Centre 7:30pm – Adult Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Thursday, October 30

7pm - Journey of Christmas Meeting - Family Room

Friday, October 31

9am - Exercise - Hall

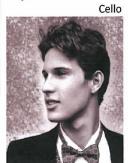


FIRE & ICE

L. van Beethoven Sonata for Piano & Cello in A Major op. 69 F. Chopin Sonata for Piano & Cello in G Minor



Krystyna Tucka Piano



Benjamin Louwersheimer

Sunday October 26, 2014 - 2:00 PM

St. Mark's Anglican Church 12953 20th Avenue, Surrey

> Tickets: \$15.00 Call: (604) 535-8841

http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/867315

