



## St. Mark's Anglican Church

12953 20<sup>TH</sup> Ave., Surrey, BC, V4A 1Z1, Tel: 604-535-8841  
email [office@stmarkbc.org](mailto:office@stmarkbc.org), [www.stmarkbc.org](http://www.stmarkbc.org)

**Rev. Denise is on holidays from  
November 6th-14th**

**IMPORTANT...Special Donation Envelopes at Easter & Harvest & Christmas**-these envelopes are enclosed with the Rector's Letter and although they provide for the donor's Name/Address/Envelope # this information is seldom completed, and sometimes is illegible and even incorrect. Since Christmas 2013 we have attached Name & Envelope # stickers on the front of these envelopes to ensure that donations are posted to the correct account. You do have the option to remove the sticker from YOUR special donation envelope, in which case we ask that you PRINT your full name and address. Please be assured that your Rector, Wardens and Donation Secretary have discussed this topic and are satisfied that complete confidentiality is maintained. Thank you very much for your faithful contributions to these special envelopes throughout the year. If you have any questions, you may speak to Douglas Brown, Donation Secretary.

**Episcopal Visit Sunday, November 16**-Bishop Melissa Skelton's visit to St. Mark's is fast approaching. She is looking forward to preaching and presiding at both services on November 16 and has expressed a keen desire to meet as many people as possible following the 8:00am and 10:00am services. Coffee, tea and tasty treats will be served after the 8:00am service and a delicious buffet lunch will be held in the Hall following the 10:00am service. It is hoped that well over 200 people will attend the lunch. 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.

**Sunday School**-This week is an Intergenerational Service – Welcome to our 10am Feast of All Saints Celebration.

## "PARISH PULSE"

### NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2014**

**Flowers for the Altar**-are given today to the Glory of God.

**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.

**Next Sunday's Bible Readings**-Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25, Psalm 78:1-7, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Matthew 25:1-13



**Library News**-People are sick and dying. Is there a leak from the manufacturing plant? As Jack investigates he becomes engulfed in a smokescreen of lies, setups, greed, and scandal. Will he solve the mystery before more people die? **Poison Town** by Creston Mapes is a sit-on-the-edge-of-your-chair book. You will not be able to put this one down until the final page.

**ACW Announcements**-The sock tree 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 bales to the North 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 2015 Canadian Church Calendar is now available for purchase from Kathryn Smith.

**St. Mark's Men's Club**-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. The next meeting of the Men's Club is on Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Mission Missive**-Toni Wallis is collecting articles for the winter edition of the *Mission Missive*. Please contact Toni if you have an article idea.

**Prayer Chain Contact**-is Lynne Hurd for the months of November, December and January. You may contact Lynne at 604-542-2772 or [lynneh1@telus.net](mailto:lynneh1@telus.net) with your prayer requests and updates.

**The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children**-is provided this week by Brian and Ingrid Switzer to the Glory of God.

**Seniors News**-Wednesday Get Togethers are alternate Wednesdays. Note: On **Wed. Nov. 12th**, we plan to go to lunch, and a short bus ride, courtesy of Denny. For further information please contact Sue at 604-531-4931, or [sinder@shaw.com](mailto:sinder@shaw.com), or call Janet at 604-531-9585.

**St. Mark's Youth**-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/](http://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.

**Watercolour Prints Of St. Mark's**-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.



**Christmas On The Peninsula**-Anyone interested in participating in the preparation of Christmas on the Peninsula Festival is invited to volunteer in the planning and/or presentation of the Festival. On the Community Events bulletin board in the Hall you will find a list of volunteer tasks and contact information.

## **OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday through Thursday:**

**9am to 3pm**

**Friday: 10am to 1pm**

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Monday, November 3**

9am – Exercise – Hall

10:15am – Israeli Folk Dance – Hall

### **Tuesday, November 4**

9:30am – Bible Study – Family Room

1:30pm – Prayer Shawl Mtng.- Family Room

2pm – Anglican Church Women Mtng. – Hall & Kitchen

7pm – Bible Study – Education Centre

7pm – Youth Group – Youth Room

### **Wednesday, November 5**

9am – Exercise – Hall

10am – Service – Sanctuary

6:30pm – Alpha Course – Education Centre

7:30pm – Adult Choir Practice – Sanctuary

### **Thursday, November 6**

2pm – Memorial Service for Margaret Keen – Sanctuary  
(Reception in the Family Room to follow Service)

### **Friday, November 7**

9am – Exercise – Hall

### **Sunday, November 9**

Children's Choir Rehearsal after the 10am Service in the Sanctuary

### **Tuesday, November 11**

The Office is Closed for Remembrance Day