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<u>Journey of Christmas</u>-Thanks to you all for all your support again this year. The Christmas trees and the stage in the Hall are coming down on Saturday, January 10 from 9am-12noon. Please come and help us one more time.

### **Wednesday Services Schedule:**

- Wed. Dec. 31 The Service Will Not Be Held
- Wed. Jan. 7 Service at 10am
- Wed. Jan. 14 Service at 10am
- Wed. Jan. 21 Healing Service at 10am
- Wed. Jan. 28 Service at 10am

**St. Mark's Youth-** Please Note that regular Sunday and Tuesday meetings will not take place on Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> or Dec. 30, and will resume the first week of January. See you in the New Year! – Josh Brown

Attention Ministry Leaders-Only three 2014 Ministry Reports have been received to date. Please be reminded that your 2014 Ministry Report is due in the Office no later than Monday, January 12, 2015, as we are under very tight timelines to produce the Annual Report to Vestry. Please email your report to Sheila at office@stmarkbc.org as a Microsoft Word document, in "Arial" 10-point font. The Vestry Meeting is on Sunday, February 15, 2015.

<u>Coffee Hour Roster</u>-The Coffee hours list is posted in the Hall. Please check and see when you are listed and if it is unsuitable, telephone Olive at 604-535-2228

<u>Sunday School</u>-will not be held today. Sunday School will resume on January 4, 2015.

Next Sunday's Bible Readings-Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14, Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12

<u>Prayer Chain Contact</u>-is Lynne Hurd. You may contact her at 604-542-2772 or at lynneh1@telus.net

The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children- is given this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Blanche Biddle.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>-The Office is closed on: Christmas Day, Boxing Day, Dec. 29, 30, 31, and January 1 and 2, re-opening on Monday, Jan. 5 at 9am.

# "PARISH PULSE"

## NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

# SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2014

# Poinsettia Dedications

To the Glory of God and...

in memory of past members, especially Gladys Austen – **Altar Guild**;

in memory of past members, especially Gladys Austen, Margaret Keen, Evelyn Michelson and Mavis Anderson – **A.C.W.**;

in memory of departed loved ones – **John & Louise Ritchie**:

in memory of our Daughter Jill – Doug & Joy French; in memory of our departed loved ones – **Virginia & Art Go**;

in memory of my Godfather, who passed away recently – **Annabelle lp**;

in memory of Bill & Kay Foley - Rev. Sue Foley-Currie;

in memory of our wonderful parents, Keld & Lilly Poulsen, Bunny Sharpes & William Brown – **Jef & Shannon Poulsen**;

in memory of my parents who passed away this year – Glory Ann Paige & Maurice John Paige;

in memory of my Aunt Anne who passed away recently, who by example, taught me how to be a Godmother to my nieces – **Sheila Johnston**.

The Lunch Basket Memorial & Thanksgiving Fund Donor Pledge Chart-The 2015 Chart is now posted in the Church Hall. Please sign up to donate to the Lunch Basket program. These donations go to help single young moms with children under 18 years old. Thank you to all who have donated this past year. The chart is located on the west wall in the Hall. Please call Darlene Wiegand at 604-536-7107 if you have any questions or concerns.

<u>Seniors News</u>-Wednesday Get Togethers are alternate Wednesdays from 1pm to 3:30p,. The next one is on Wed. Jan. 7. From 1pm to 3:30pm. Games are in the Family Room, chatting is the Library, and all gather for refreshments at 2:30pm.

**2015 Donation Envelopes**-Please pick up your set of envelopes in the Narthex. The weekly donation boxes are in alphabetical order in trays. The monthly donation boxes are in labelled foolscap envelopes in alphabetical order in a separate tray. Should you not find your donation envelopes, or if you want a set of 2015 donation envelopes, please contact Douglas Brown, Donations Secretary, at 604-535-9599.

Important Role-Would you like to volunteer in a very important role at St. Mark - Ocean Park as "Recording Secretary" for Parish Council meetings? If so, we need you! Meetings are held every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month, from 7-9pm, and they do not occur in December, February or July. The Recording Secretary also records the February Vestry Meeting minutes. Minimal training is required and is provided. It is an appointed position. This is an opportunity to work with a great team in service to God and to each other. Please give this your prayerful consideration. If you feel called in this way please speak to any Warden: Betty-Ann 604-536-8739, Roger 604-531-6084, or Brian Switzer 604-535-1941.



# **Upcoming Events**

## Monday, December 29

Office is Closed

#### Tuesday, December 30

Office is Closed

#### Wednesday, December 31

Office is Closed

## Thursday, January 1, 2015

Office is Closed

#### Friday, January 2

Office is Closed

## Monday, January 5

9am - Office is Open

9am - Exercise - Hall

#### Tuesday, January 6

9:30am - Bible Study - FR

#### Wednesday, January 7

9am - Exercise - Hall

10am - Service - Sanctuary

1pm – Seniors – H/FR/Library

6:30pm - Alpha Course - EdC

7:30pm - Choir Practice - S

#### Friday, January 9

9am - Exercise - Hall

6:30-9:00pm - Epiphany Party - Hall

#### Saturday, January 10

9am-12noon – taked down of Journey of Christmas – volunteers are welcome.