



## St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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### **LAST CHANCE FOR VESTRY REPORTS**

Many reports for Vestry have not yet been submitted to the Office. Tomorrow is the deadline. Leaders, please use the [office@stmarkbc.org](mailto:office@stmarkbc.org) address, email your Report in Arial, 10-point font, and send it to the Office no later than 3pm tomorrow. The Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday, Feb. 15.

### **Ladies of the Parish... A Special Invitation**

The Ladies Evening Guild invites you to join us at our meeting on Tuesday, January 20, at 7pm. Our guest speakers are Craig and Holly Tanksley, with Part 1 of their presentation documenting their travels during their sabbatical. The event will take place in the Hall. Refreshments will be served.

**Envelopes for 2015**-If you have not picked up your New Year envelopes please ask one of the Welcomers as you enter or leave Church. New donors are invited to request Weekly or Monthly Envelopes. Should you want to learn more about our Pre-Authorized Donation – “PAD System” - speak to Douglas Brown, Donations Secretary, or call him at 604-535-9599, or call Sheila at the Church Office at 604-535-8841.

**Bible Study**-Tuesday mornings in the Family Room, led by Betty Bear. 9:30 to 11:30am. 12 weeks, starting on Tues. January 13. The study topic is: Christian Character.

**Sunday School**-This week we focus on Mark 1:4-11 – Jesus is baptized by John.

**Next Sunday's Bible Readings**-1 Samuel 3:1-20, Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17, 1 Corinthians 6:12-20, John 1:43-51

**Prayer Chain Contact**-is Lynne Hurd. You may contact her at 604-542-2772 or at [lynneh1@telus.net](mailto:lynneh1@telus.net)

**Flowers for the Altar**-are given today by the Reynolds family, to the Glory of God, and in memory of Elaine Kelly.

## “PARISH PULSE”

### NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2015**

**The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children**-is provided this week by Anne and Ernie Thiessen to the Glory of God, in thanksgiving for God's many blessings, and in anticipation of their new grandchild.

**St. Mark's Youth**-Youth gather on Sundays at 10am in the Youth Room for their learning series: “Burning Questions”. 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/)

**Seniors News**-Wednesday Get Togethers are alternate Wednesday afternoons. The next one is on **Wed. Jan. 21**. From 1pm to 3:30pm. Games are in the Family Room, chatting in the Library, and all gather for refreshments at 2:30pm.

**Need A House-Sitter?**-Elizabeth Ormiston writes: “Hello St. Mark's Family & Friends, I have been more than warmly welcomed here as a practising Christian visitor. Circumstances mean I am forced to leave the snow and white-outs elsewhere, and find temporary accommodation here. I am a non-smoker, and enjoy pets. If you have any information for me to house-sit, preferably longer than two weeks, in late January or February, I thank you for contacting me by phone: 604-538-1789 or email: [ewo2512@gmail.com](mailto:ewo2512@gmail.com)

**Needed**-Linda Millar knows of an elderly couple in desperate need of a Queen sized bed, in good condition. They would be able to pick it up. If anyone can supply this item Linda invites you to call her at 604-536-5270.



**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.



### **OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday through Thursday:**

**9am to 3pm**

**Friday: 10am to 1pm Only**

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Monday, January 12**

9am Exercise – Hall

10:15am – Israeli Folk Dance - Hall

#### **Tuesday, January 13**

9:30 – 11:30am – Bible Study – Family Room

7pm – Men’s Club Meeting – Hall/Kitchen

7pm – Youth Group – Youth Room

#### **Wednesday, January 14**

9am Exercise - Hall

10am –Service – Sanctuary

1pm – Outreach Committee – Family Room

6:30pm – Alpha Course - EdC

7:30pm – Adult Choir Practice – Sanctuary

#### **Friday, January 16**

9am Exercise - Hall

#### **Sunday, January 18**

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