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Notice of the Vestry Meeting – Sunday, February 15, 2015-The Annual Vestry Meeting of the Parish of St. Mark – Ocean Park will take place on Sunday, Feb. 15, 2015 at approximately 11:15am, following a combined Service at 10am, and a lunch immediately following in the Parish Hall. The required Notice letters are available in the Narthex, and we would appreciate your picking up your letter as soon as possible to help us reduce mailing costs. Any letters not being picked up will be mailed on Mon. Jan. 26, 2015.

We encourage every member to attend Vestry, and pray for this annual business meeting, as it is an important time to gather as a community and make important decisions based on where we see the Lord leading us as a Parish.

St. Mark Concert Series-Over the past 2 decades Steve Maddock has been steadily establishing himself as one of Canada's most versatile vocal talents. He presents music in a way that is honest and fresh. Come join Steve for an afternoon of hot jazz for a cool season". Refreshments included. Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015 at 2pm in the Sanctuary at St. Mark – Ocean Park. Cost is \$15/ticket. Order tickets online at Brown Paper tickets:

http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/1147796



"PARISH PULSE"

NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2015

<u>Healing Service</u>- Healing Service with the Eucharist, 10am this Wednesday, January 21 – Come and experience the healing touch of our Lord Jesus. Everyone is welcome. **James 5:16** "...pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous (person) is powerful and effective."

Furniture Giveaway!-the Music Director's office is full of furniture which we do not need: 2 large filing cabinets, 2 small filing cabinets, 2 bookcases, 1 desk and 1 desk chair. We would like to offer these to anyone who can use them – and take them away! Please let me know if you are interested. Thanks – Janet Rendell, <u>irendell@outlook.com</u> OR 604-535-0998.

<u>Forward Day-By-Day-</u> The next instalment is available. Please see Carolyn Brown in the Narthex.

Update From The Silva Family-Dear St. Mark's Family: We hope you are all doing well and in good health. We are well and looking forward to our return to our home base. The kids are really getting big and moving back to the base will be great for them. There is a lot of space for them to run and other kids to play with. We would love to hear from you. If you'd like to write us our email address is: danielstaci@gmail.com.

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. 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.

<u>Bible Study</u>-Tuesday mornings in the Family Room, led by Betty Bear. 9:30 to 11:30am. The study topic is: Christian Character.

<u>Sunday School</u>-Today we focus on John 1:43-51. Nathanael meets Jesus.

Next Sunday's Bible Readings-Jonah 3:1-5, 10, Psalm 62:6-14, 1 Corinthians 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20

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

Flowers for the Altar-were given January 4 by Sue Foley-Currie in loving memory for my parents Kay and Bill Foley; given January 11 by Isabel Chernoff to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her parents Marjorie and Neil MacDonald; and by Betty & Bob Bear in honour of a January birthday; given today by Olive Pociwauschek with grateful thanks for all God's blessings and in loving memory of my wonderful parents Alec and Marjorie Curtis, and also of my brother Stanley; and by Janet Cormode, to God's glory.

The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children is given this week by Ian and Betty-Ann Bainbridge to the Glory of God and in memory of Betty Whittaker, kind, generous and loving mother.

<u>Seniors News</u>-"Get Togethers" are alternate Wednesday afternoons. The next one is on **Wednesday, Jan. 21**. From 1pm to 3:30pm. Games are in the Family Room, chatting in the Library, and everyone gathers for refreshments at 2:30pm.

<u>St. Mark's Youth-</u>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 characters from the New Testament. For more information, or to sign up for our newsletter, visit www.stmarkbc.org/youth/



Durham Cathedral

OFFICE HOURS

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

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 19

9am Exercise – Hall

Tuesday, January 20

9:30 – Bible Study – Family Room 10:15am – Israeli Folk Dance - Hall 7pm – Ladies Evening Guild – FR & H 7pm – Youth Group – Youth Room

Wednesday, January 21

9am Exercise - Hall 10am – Healing Service – Sanctuary 1pm – Seniors Get-Together – FR/Library 6:30pm – Alpha Course - EdC 7:30pm – Adult Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Thursday, January 22

2pm – Memorial Service for Evelyn Mickelson – Sanctuary; Reception in the Hall to follow

Friday, January 23

9am Exercise - Hall

Sunday, January 25

SOUPER SUNDAY – Soup Sales Children's Choir Rehearsal after the 10am Service in the Sanctuary 1:30pm – Life In The Eucharist Course - S