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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 picked up will be mailed tomorrow, Jan. 26.

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 two 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. Tickets are available at the Church Office or you can order tickets online at Brown Paper tickets: http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/1147796



"PARISH PULSE"

NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2015

TODAY IS SOUPER SUNDAY- Purchase your soup in the Narthex after the 8am Service and the 10am Service. All proceeds this month go to the food bank.

"Parish PULSE"-In the interest of helping to reduce the amount of paper we use, and the photocopying we do, starting on Fri. Feb. 6, and each Friday after that, we will email the "Parish PULSE" to those parishioners whose email addresses we have. The PDF copy of the "Parish PULSE" will be sent out and can be read on a computer, tablet, iPad, or digital phone. We will continue to print 40 or so paper copies of the "Parish PULSE" but they will not be included in the Bulletin. Instead they will be given to the Sunday morning greeters. If you wish to have a paper copy of the "Parish PULSE" please pick one one from a greeter. The "Parish PULSE" will continue to be published each week on the Church's website and will be available for viewing there. If you have any questions about this please ask one of our Wardens. Thank you and God bless.

Furniture Giveaway-the Music Director's office is full of furniture which we do not need: 1 large filing cabinet, 2 bookcases, & 1 desk. 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, jrendell@outlook.com OR 604-535-0998.

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

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.

Seeking Accommodation-Hello Parishioners-St. Mark-Ocean Park remains a joyous and stimulating hub of Christian growth and influence. I need a short term accommodation-less than 3 months-for previously unplanned doctors' appointments. I temporarily use a walker and prefer few/no stairs. Perhaps you or someone you know needs house-sitting, live-in pet care (lots of walks promised!), room rental, or suite rental.
-Elizabeth Ormiston (non-smoker) 604-538-1789

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

Sunday School-Today we focus on Mark 1:14-20. Jesus calls four fishermen to follow Him.

Next Sunday's Bible Readings-Deuteronomy 18:15-20, Psalm 111, 1 Corinthians 8:1-13, Mark 1:21-28

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

Flowers for the Altar-are given today by Marguerite Sawatzky to the Glory of God; and by Genelle Leifso with gratitude for all God's people.

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

<u>Seniors News</u>-"Get Togethers" are alternate Wednesday afternoons. The next one is on **Wednesday, Feb. 4**. From 1pm to 3:30pm. Games are in the Family Room, chatting in the Library, and everyone gathers for refreshments at 2:30pm.

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 characters from the New Testament. For more information, or to sign up for our newsletter, visit www.stmarkbc.org/youth/

OFFICE HOURS

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

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 26

9am Exercise - Hall

Tuesday, January 27

9:30 – Bible Study – Family Room 10:15am – Israeli Folk Dance – Hall 7pm – Parish Council Meeting - FR 7pm – Youth Group – Youth Room

Wednesday, January 28

9am Exercise - Hall 10am - Service - Sanctuary 6:30pm - Alpha Course - EdC 7:30pm - Adult Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Friday, January 30

9am Exercise - Hall

Sunday, February

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

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