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### Please Take Note:

Next Sunday, Feb. 15, the 8am Service will not be held. After the 10am Service the Vestry Meeting will take place.

Annual Report-The Vestry Annual Report for 2014 is available in the Narthex today and next Sunday, Feb. 15. We have printed only enough copies to provide one Annual Report for each family. When you pick up your copy of the report please add your name and signature to the "pick-up" sheet provided. Thank you and God bless.

## Notice of the Vestry Meeting - Next Sunday, Feb.

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. 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.

### **Ladies Evening Guild – Meeting Date Change-**

Please note that the February Evening Guild meeting will be held on Tues. Feb. 10 (2<sup>nd</sup> Tues.) instead of Feb. 17 (3<sup>rd</sup> Tues.). We will be co-hosting the Pancake Supper on the 17<sup>th</sup>. We would love to see you all at 7pm in the Family Room on Tues. Feb. 10. A big thank you to Craig & Holly Tanksley for part one of their presentation. Please join us again on Tues., March 17 for part two! You can even wear your green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with us! RSVP to lindaodee@hotmail.com or call Linda at 604-536-7983.

<u>Prayer Chain Contact</u>-until February 15 is Lynne Hurd. You may contact her at 604-542-2772 or at <u>lynneh1@telus.net</u>

As of February 16 the contact will be Joyce Ness.

**Baptismal Journey**-Oliver and Max Cyca, two boys in our congregation, are on a baptismal journey for the next couple of weeks. Please pray that they grow in their faith and understanding of what it means to be a Christ-follower. Through your prayers they will be ready for the day of their Baptism, February 22. In Christ, Rev. D.

<u>World Day Of Prayer</u>-hosted by St. Mark-Ocean Park, starting at 1pm on Friday, March 6. More information to follow in forthcoming editions of The PULSE.

# "PARISH PULSE"

# NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

# **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2015**

<u>Sunday School</u>-Today we focus on Mark 1:29-39. Jesus heals many people.

NewComers—Calling all who are new(ish) to St. Mark's! You are invited to a NewComers Luncheon to be held on Sunday, March 1 directly after the 10am Service (approximately 11:30am). This light lunch will be held in the Family Room and will be an opportunity to learn a bit about St. Mark's and to meet some of the leaders. Please RSVP to Holly: 604-537-2231.

Nomination Announcement-In the Narthex you will see a poster listing nominations for Parish Council 2015. Should you have a name that you would like to suggest and that person has agreed to let their name stand, please contact either Betty-Ann Bainbridge 604-536-8736, Roger Hussen 604-531-6084, or Brian Switzer 604-535-1941 with your nomination. The Nomination Committee will then contact that person and provide them with the Ministry Description and other paper work and add them to the list. We will also take nominations from the floor at Vestry, but we would prefer to have names in advance so that we can prepare for an election. Please hold Parish Council, Trustees and first time nominees in your prayers. Thank you!

Concert Today-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. Today 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:

<u>Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper-</u>You are invited – Tues. Feb. 17 at 5:30pm - to Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper – in the Parish Hall – adults \$10/each – children free. Tickets at the door. The meal includes ham, sausages, pancakes and fruit toppings.

Invitation to "Beauty From Ashes" Gala-This is a fundraiser on Sat. Feb. 21 organized by Heather Davies, a former youth leader at our church, which will feature entertainment by our own Debra DaVaughn and Chris Simmons. The Gala will benefit "Dalit Freedom Network" and "Mercy Ministries Canada" to help fight suffering in the lives of women and children. The doors open at 6pm; program starts at 7pm. The location is The Bombay Banquet Hall Ballroom, 7475 135 St. Surrey. Tickets are available in the Narthex after the service or go to the website:

www.thebeautyfromashes.brownpapertickets.com/

Next Sunday's Bible Readings - 2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9

<u>Flowers for the Altar</u>-are given today by Sue Indridson to the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones.

The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children-is provided this week by Barbara and Jamie Grantham to the Glory of God, in thanksgiving of the birth of their newest granddaughter, Julia, and for all of their grandchildren.

<u>Seniors News</u>-"Get Togethers" are alternate Wednesday afternoons. The next one is on **Wednesday**, **Feb. 18**. 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/



Don't forget Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. 5:30 pm – Parish Hall – Tues. Feb. 17.

### OFFICE HOURS

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

# **Upcoming Events**

### Monday, February 9

Office is Closed all day for BC's "Family Day"

## Tuesday, February 10

9:30 – Bible Study – Family Room 10:15am – Israeli Folk Dance – Hall 2pm – A.C.W. Meeting - FR 7pm – Ladies Evening Guild - FR 7:15pm – Bible Study - Office 7pm – Youth Group – Youth Room

### Wednesday, February 11

9am Exercise - Hall 10am -Service - Sanctuary 7:30pm - Adult Choir Practice - Sanctuary

### Friday, February 13

9am Exercise - Hall

## Sunday, February 15

Children's Choir Rehearsal after the 10am Service in the Sanctuary 11:15am – Vestry Meeting - Hall 1pm – Life In The Eucharist Course – EdC

### **Please Take Note:**

On Ash Wednesday, February 18 there will be a 10am Service of Holy Communion, but it will not be a Healing Service.