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Vestry Meeting Today – Sunday, Feb. 15, 2015-Our Vestry Meeting will begin, as soon as is practical, after the conclusion of the 10am combined Service. After the Service, please make your way to the Hall and sign the Vestry Registry Book. Infant and child-care is available in the Family Room. Our wonderful ACW team has done everything it can to make our Vestry lunch a great experience with hardly any work requited on your part. There will be soup serving stations on the tables along with buns and squares. If you would like gluten-free buns, you can get them at the kitchen counter. Please help yourself to tea or coffee. We will begin the Vestry Meeting as soon as the Chair is satisfied that everyone has eaten. The Agenda for the Meeting will be found on the tables as well.

Ladies Evening Guild – Meeting Date Change- 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! The presentation begins at **7pm.** You can even wear your green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with us! RSVP to <a href="mailto:lindaodee@hotmail.com">lindaodee@hotmail.com</a> or call Linda at 604-536-7983.

Volunteers Needed for Lenten Lunch — Please call Deb Maxwell if you can help at the St. Mark-hosted Lenten Lunch, 12 noon on Thurs. March 5 at Mount Olive Lutheran Church. If you can (i) make soup beforehand, or (ii) serve at the lunch call Deb at 604-538-6319

Lenten Day Retreat—at St. Matthew's Anglican Church in Abbotsford, this is a day of entering stillness, reflection and prayer with Facilitator Cathy Hardy. 9:30am to 4:30pm. See the poster on the back of The Pulse. Cost is \$60/incl. lunch. To register please contact Rev. Denise by phone or email at: <a href="mailto:revd@stmarbc.org">revd@stmarbc.org</a> or 604-535-8841.

<u>Prayer Chain Contact</u>- is Joyce Ness. You may contact her at 604-535-0460 or at joybil@telus.net

<u>Baptismal Journey</u>-Oliver and Max Robertson, two boys in our congregation, are on a baptismal journey. 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, next Sunday, February 22. In Christ, Rev. D.

World Day Of Prayer 2015-1pm on Fri. Mar. 6 – "World Day Of Prayer" at St. Mark-Ocean Park *Everyone is Welcome* Kaye Kerlande, Speaker

**<u>Sunday School</u>**-Today we focus on Mark 9:2-9. Transfiguration Sunday.

# "PARISH PULSE"

### NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

# SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2015

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.

**TAX RECEIPTS**-will be available next Sunday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, for pick up in the Narthex. Any not picked up that Sunday will be put into the mail on Monday.

Next Sunday's Bible Readings-Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-9, 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9-15.

<u>Flowers for the Altar</u>-are given today by Irene Snow to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my husband Bill.

The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children-is provided this week to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for Denise's Ministry with the loving, gifted and faithful Sunday School and Youth Leaders of St. Mark's.

<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.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper-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. ...and...

**St. Mark's Youth**-On Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 17, the Youth Group will be participating in the Pancake Supper in the Parish Hall from 5:30pm – 7:30pm.



<u>Don't Forget Souper Sunday</u> – Get your soup next Sunday, February 22.

<u>Please Take Note</u>-On Ash Wednesday, February 18there will be a 10am Service of Holy Communion, but it will not be a Healing Service.

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, featuring 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/

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

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

### **Upcoming Events**

#### Monday, February 16

9am - Exercise

#### Tuesday, February 17

9:30 – Bible Study – Family Room 10:15am – Israeli Folk Dance – Hall 5:30pm – Pancakes - Hal 7:15pm – Bible Study - Office

#### Ash Wednesday, February 18

9am Exercise - Hall 10am – Ash Wed. Eucharist Service – Sanctuary 7:30pm – Ash Wed. Eucharist Service – Sanctuary

#### Friday, February 20

9am Exercise - Hall

### Sunday, February 21

Holy Baptism Service (10am)

"Souper Sunday"

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

