



St. Mark – Ocean Park
Anglican Church

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Sunday School Today-Today's gift is from St. Mark's Men's Club and the children from our Sunday School.
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children-is given this week by Grace McDermott who is 12 today.

Prayer Chain Contact- is Michael Weller. He can be reached with your requests at 604-538-9334 or at weller301@shaw.ca

Next Sunday's Bible Readings-Acts 1:15-17, 21-26, Psalm 1, 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19

NOTE: Rev. Denise will be attending another Spiritual Direction intensive at Mt. Carmel Spiritual Centre in Niagara Falls from April 29th to May 6th. She will then take a week of holidays from May 7th-15th.

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/

Flowers for the Altar-are given today by Hilda and Kathryn Smith, to the Glory of God and in Loving memory of Les Smith, Husband and Father, and Michelle, Granddaughter and Daughter; and by Les and Jean Edmonds to the Glory of God and in remembrance of their mothers Eva and Annie.

Mission Missive-Toni Wallis is collecting articles for the next edition of the *Mission Missive*. Please contact Toni if you have an article idea.

Join The Parish-Wide Game: Guess Who Is Coming To Dinner!-Prepare now for the surprise of your life! How do we play? You can either be a guest or a host. The Excitement: If you are a **guest** you have no idea who the host will be! And if you are a **host** you will have no idea who the guests will be! Time & Date: Sat. May 16, 2015 at 6pm Purpose: To support the Primates World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF). **Sign Up** at our registration table in the Narthex. A PWRDF envelope will be attached to the registration form. Please hand your donation to the collection plate on Sun, May 17.
Transportation can be arranged! Dietary considerations met! Come & discover friends! Thank you for supporting this PWRDF initiative. John & Roberta Braddock, Parish PWRDF Reps. 604-538-8642

"PARISH PULSE"

NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2015

St. Mark's Discernment Process-Please keep St Marks in your prayers as we go through discernment process, where we try to learn where God wants to lead us in the future. Pray that the right people would be put forward to form a Discernment Planning Team and pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance. Catherine Featherstone will have a prayer sign-up sheet in the Hall at coffee hour where you can put down your name and make a pledge to keep St. Marks in your daily prayers.
God Bless St. Marks.

Are You A Young Adult Aged 18-40 !-An exciting new study group has begun every other Wednesday evening! We meet at 6pm for dinner and a time of prayer and a discussion based on the Forgotten God video study by Francis Chan. Interested? Of course you are! Contact Heather Davies at: daviesheather@hotmail.com to get plugged in.

Seniors News-"Get Togethers" are alternate Wednesday afternoons. The next one is on **Wednesday, May 13** from 1pm to 3:30pm. Games are in the Family Room, chatting in the Library, and everyone gathers for refreshments at 2:30pm. Contacts are: sinder@shaw.ca 604-531-4931 (Sue) and acormode@shaw.ca 604-531-9585 (Janet)

Evening Guild's Bursary-St. Mark's Evening Guild is pleased to once again offer the Isabel Hutchison Bursary. This award is available to any full-time member of the congregation in any level of a degree or diploma program. The candidate should already be accepted into the program when applying. Application forms are available from the church office. The deadline for applications is Monday, June 1, 2015. If you require further information call Linda O'Donovan at 604-536-7983.

Bales to the North – Special Needs/Requests:

Blankets of all sizes; games, and small toys; baby sleepers, especially boys: sizes 6-12, 9-12, & 18-24 months; girls and boys 2 piece outfits: all sizes under size 2; girls dresses-all sizes under size 2; knitted/crocheted baby booties: blue, pink, white, yellow, green; hooded baby towels, burp pads: blue /and or green; knitted 40x40 square blankets; Vaseline (baby oil, baby lotion, shampoo, wash) all in small sizes, rattles, teething rings, brushes, combs. All items for babies under size 2 must be new. **No baby powder. No disposable diapers.**
Men's clothes any type: in large or extra-large; the bales still require the usual, good used clothing from children's size 2 up, to the largest in Men's and Women's sizes. (Good coats, winter ones especially, toques, mitts, hats as well as regular clothing)
Also required: bath towels, kitchen towels, blankets, quilts, duvets, afghans, and sheet sets.

UPDATE on the PWRDF Relief Work in Nepal

PWRDF continues to respond through the ACT Alliance to the devastation caused by the recent earthquake in Nepal.

PWRDF has helped to provide food, blankets and tarpaulins to 820 families in the hardest hit areas of the Kathmandu Valley through ACT member the Lutheran World Federation (LWF).

According to LWF, lack of shelter remains the biggest challenge. The need for tarpaulins by far exceeds the number given out.

Your help is needed to supply tarpaulins, blankets, food and other relief supplies and to begin the rebuilding process in Nepal.

All donations to PWRDF between April 25 and May 25, 2015 for the Nepal earthquake relief efforts **will be matched, dollar for dollar, by the Government of Canada** into their Nepal Earthquake Relief Fund, which will be used to provide humanitarian relief.

Donations can be made in the following ways:
through our special PWRDF envelopes in our pews:
OR online you can designate your online donation for "Nepal Earthquake". OR By Phone For credit card donations contact:
Ricky de Castro 416-924-9192 ext. 318; 1-866-308-7973
Please *do not* send your credit card number by email or fax.

OR By Mail Please make cheques payable to "PWRDF", mark them for "Nepal Earthquake" and send them to:
The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund
The Anglican Church of Canada
80 Hayden Street
Toronto, Ontario M4Y 3G2



OFFICE HOURS

Mon. through Thurs. 9am to 3pm

Friday 10am to 1pm

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, May 12

2pm – ACW Mtng. – Family Room

6pm – Men's Club – Hall

7pm – Youth Group – Youth Room

7:15pm – ESL Alpha Course - Office

Wednesday, May 13

9am - Exercise – Parish Hall

10am – Service – Sanctuary

1pm – Seniors – Family Room & Library

7:30pm – Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Friday, May 15

9am - Exercise – Parish Hall

Sunday, May 17

- Children's Choir Rehearsal after the 10am Service in the Sanctuary

