



## St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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## “PARISH PULSE” NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK’S CHURCH

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2015**

### OFFICE HOURS

**9am to 3pm** Mon. through Thurs. and **10am to 1pm** on Friday

**Needed: Children’s Group Leaders for Sunday Mornings**-Kids in our Parish from the ages of 3-9 are in need of your help. We need you to commit once a month for half-an-hour to lead a group of kids with our wonderful easy-to-use curriculum, “Roots”. You would Pray with this group, open the Word up to them, help them Explore & Respond to it and then Send them out to live for Christ. If you can help please contact Rev. Denise at 604-535-8841 or email at [revd@stmarkbc.org](mailto:revd@stmarkbc.org)

**Coffee Hour Roster**-The new list is posted in the Hall. Please check to see when you are listed. If the date doesn’t suit, let Olive know by calling her at 604-535-2228.

**Set of Knives**-We have another set of knives to raffle off. Tickets are \$5 each and will be sold in the Narthex for the next three Sundays. All monies raised go to the Church.

**It Takes A Village**-Please keep in mind that during the Coffee Hour parishioners drink hot beverages. The danger is that someone will get hurt when little ones are running around. Let’s lovingly remind children to walk when inside the Hall, and leave the running games for outside, under adult supervision. We want everyone to feel welcome and have a chance for fellowship. Let’s work together on this. Thank you. – Wardens.

**St. Mark’s Youth**-Join us for the “*Seek & Find Youth Retreat*” happening at Camp Kawkawa in Hope, Fri. Sept. 25 & Sat. Sept. 26! A weekend of worship, prayer and fun activities like canoeing, kayaking, archery and riflery. Contact [youth@stmarkbc.org](mailto:youth@stmarkbc.org) for more details and to register. Youth nights will resume in September; stay tuned for updates! Join our Facebook page or sign up for our newsletter at [www.stmarkbc.org/youth](http://www.stmarkbc.org/youth).

**First Fruits Garden Project**-Please help out at the First Fruits Table on Sun. Sept. 6, & Sun. Sept. 13, & Sun. Sept. 20, for both the 8am and 10am Services. Sign up at the table if you can help out. Thank you. - Anne Schreck.

**Flowers for the Altar**-are given today to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for his many blessings.

**Lunch Basket for Hungry Children**- is provided this week by Violet Reimer and Family to the Glory of God, and in deep gratitude to our Precious Lord Jesus for His tender and loving care of all of His children.  
“Matthew 14:20-21”

**Prayer Chain Contact**-is Maggie Ferguson. She can be reached at [maggieferguson@telus.net](mailto:maggieferguson@telus.net) or at 604-538-6160.

**Next Sunday’s Bible Readings**-Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23, Psalm 125, James 2:1-17, Mark 7:24-37

**Seniors News**- the next Seniors “Get Together” is Wednesday, September 9. Contacts are:  
[sinder@shaw.ca](mailto:sinder@shaw.ca) 604-531-4931 (Sue) and [acormode@shaw.ca](mailto:acormode@shaw.ca) 604-531-9585 (Janet)

### PARISH OF ST. MARK – OCEAN PARK OPERATING FUND ACCOUNT

#### FINANCIAL STATUS at JULY 31, 2015

	Current Month	Year to Date	Budget	Variance
TOTAL INCOME	25,394.75	232,069.77	255,678.50	(23,608.73)
TOTAL EXPENSES	33,891.15	251,615.86	255,678.50	4,062.64
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(8,496.40)	(19,546.09)		(19,546.09)

For further explanation and details on our financial disposition, please read the Treasurer’s Report in the Parish Council Minutes posted on the far left bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

**While we may enjoy vacation time, unfortunately our expenses do not! Please remember our budget commitments. God Blesses us when we Bless Him.**

**Safety Announcement – Emergency Exit** - The emergency exit door on the right hand side of the Sanctuary is not to be used at this time. The door has yellow caution tape around it and a sign stating that it is not to be opened. The platform deck outside the door has deteriorated through weathering over the years. We are concerned that the weight of someone standing on the deck could cause it to collapse. There is also a wasp infestation in the area. These problems will be resolved in due course. In case of an emergency evacuation all other exit doors are operational, including the exit door on the left hand side of the Sanctuary.

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Wednesday, September 2**

9am – Exercise - Hall

10am – Service – Sanctuary

#### **Thursday, September 3**

12noon (approximately) – Fire Safety Equipment Test – technicians will be testing all fire alarm devices. Bells will ring for a few seconds when tested. The process takes up to 2 hours.

**Note Please:** Labour Day falls on Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. The Office will be closed that day.

