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All Are Invited-Please join us – Charles and Isabel Powell – as we celebrate our 60th wedding anniversary, in the Hall after today's 10am Service TODAY!. Lunch will be served. All members of our St. Mark's family are welcome - including youth and children!

Readers Ministry-If you would like to read the Lessons at the 10am Service on Sundays, please contact Roberta Braddock at 604-538-8642.

The 7th annual "Christmas on the Peninsula"-takes place at White Rock Community Centre and 12 other event venues around White Rock on Sat. Nov. 28 from 10am-6:15 pm. Come for the Christmas Market and Christmas carolers all day at the White Rock Community Centre. Between 12noon and 4pm look out for carol singing along Johnston Road. There is also the Christmas parade at 4pm, the Christmas tree lighting at 4:15pm and, rounding out the day, is "Carols by Candelight" at St. John's Presbyterian at 5:15pm featuring the White Rock Children's Choir. Lots of activities for the kids, too!! Check out the Peace Arch News insert on Wed. Nov. 25.

Holly Berry Fair - Sat. Nov. 28-The annual parish bazaar is fast approaching. Parishioners are invited to be involved in a number of ways including DONATIONS: small items, bric-a-brac, décor items or jewellery for our Treasures and Jewellery tables; vintage or antique items for the Antiques and Collectibles table; gently used toys, books and games for the Sunday School table; new or gently used items for gift baskets; & food for the raffle baskets. HELPERS: we can always use extra volunteers for a variety of tasks. And most importantly!! CUSTOMERS: If you haven't been to the bazaar before check it out. You can start your Christmas shopping, have a delicious lunch, buy delicious cakes, pies and goodies, and find something new to entertain your children all in one place. We look forward to seeing you there. For further information call Linda O'Donovan at 604-536-7983, or email at lindaodee@hotmail.com or Maxwell 604-538-6319 Debbie at or email debmax@shaw.ca

"PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2015

Lunch Basket for Hungry Children-is provided this week by Elizabeth and Ralph Darbyshire and their granddaughter Aliyah." I hope you enjoy these homemade cookies that were made with lots of love."

<u>Flowers for the Altar</u>-are given today by Charles and Isabel Powell for all Gods blessings and a wonderful church family.

<u>Placement of City Disposal Bins Near the Church</u>

The Fire Prevention Division of the City of Surrey has requested we move all bins at least 10 feet from our wooden building structure. This is a fire safety prevention measure. Captain Dan Shell met with Anne Schreck, Environmental Steward, Roberta Braddock, Kitchen Coordinator, Ken Miles, Building Coordinator, and myself. He approved our new placement of the bins around the periphery of the fire pit. Please do not move these bins unless they are being taken to the curb for pick up, or the fire pit is in use. This applies to the black garbage bins, blue recycling, and the green organic, and any other colored bin we may obtain from the City in the future.

We thank you in advance for your compliance.

<u>Christmas Cards</u>-The Men's Club is collecting unused Christmas cards to be delivered to the Surrey Remand Centre for the use of the inmates to send to their friends and families. A collection box will be available in the Narthex until Sun. Nov. 22.



Advent Challenge

Two weeks till Advent - Still wondering about a Spiritual Journal well the good news is there are no rules. There is no right or wrong way to keep one. You can write one word or one hundred pages it is up to you. The journal is to help you see God at work in your life, even on the bad days. Come to the Library and pick up and information sheet. We also have two

books on Spiritual Journaling for you to have a look at.

<u>Lost and Found</u>-A new, labelled bin has been placed in the coat closet to collect lost and found items. Please check there if you have lost something. Uncollected items will be donated to charity once a year. Thank you.

<u>Prayer Chain Contact</u>- Lynne Hurd is the contact and she can be reached at: 604-542-2772, or at Lynneh1@telus.net.

Next Sunday Bible Readings-Jeramiah 33:14-16, Psalm 25:1-10, 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13, Luke 21:25-36

ACW News-the 2016 edition of the Canadian Church Calendar is for sale in the Narthex; the bin for donations for Bales to the North is in the Narthex, as is the Christmas tree for donation of socks for the Mission to Seafarers. Please make your donations before Sun. Nov. 29.

<u>St. Mark's Youth-</u> Youth Nights are Tuesdays at 7pm in the Youth Room. Join our Facebook page or sign up for our newsletter at www.stmarkbc.org/youth.

<u>Seniors News</u>-Wednesday Get-Togethers for conversation in the Family Room and games in the Hall, from 1pm to 3:30pm, with refreshments at 2:30pm. Alternate Wednesdays until mid-December. The next one is Wed. Dec. 2. For information regarding other outings please contact:

<u>sinder@shaw.ca</u> 604-531-4931 (Sue) and <u>acormode@shaw.ca</u> 604-531-9585 (Janet)

Souper Sunday Thank you for your support last Sunday. Please return your jars to the kitchen – See you in January!

OFFICE HOURS

9am to 12 noon on Monday9am to 3pm Tues., Wed. & Thurs.9am to 12 noon on Friday

Upcoming Events

Monday, November 23

9am - Exercise - Education Centre

Tuesday, November 24

9:30am - Bible Study - Family Room

6pm - Finance Committee Mtng. - Family Room

7pm - Parish Council Mtng. - Family Room

7pm – Youth – Youth Room

7:15pm – ESL Bible Study – Education Centre

Wednesday, November 25

9am - Exercise - Hall

10am - Service - Sanctuary

2pm - Altar Guild Mtng. - Family Room

7pm – J. of Christmas Mtng. – Family Room

7:30pm - Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Thursday, November 26

All Day - Set Up The Hall for HOLLY BERRY FAIR

Friday, November 27

9am – Exercise – Education Centre All day – Set Up The Hall for HOLLY BERRY FAIR

Saturday, November 28

11am – 2pm – HOLLY BERRY FAIR – Hall

Sunday, November 29

First Sunday in Advent