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

## **SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2016**

#### <u>Annual Vestry – Attention St. Mark Ministry</u> Leaders – Ministry Reports

Our annual Vestry Meeting will be held on Sun. Feb. 14, 2016. We need your 2015 Ministry Report by Mon. Jan. 11, 2016 as we are under very tight timelines to produce the Annual Report to Vestry. If we do not receive your report by Jan. 11 we cannot guarantee that it will be included in the Annual Report. Please email your 2015 Ministry Report in an Arial, 10-point font Microsoft Word document to Sheila at office@stmarkbc.org.

#### Mark Your Calendars! For the EPIPHANY

**DANCE** for ages 2 through 92! Friday, January 8, 2016 between 6 and 9pm in the Hall. More information is on the attached poster.

<u>Lunch Basket for Hungry Children</u>-is provided this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Blanche Biddle.

Baptismal Candidate Rick Cao is on a spiritual journey and welcomes your prayers as he prepares to be baptized on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, Sunday, January 10, 2016.

Next Sunday Bible Readings-Isaiah 43:1-7, Psalm 29, Acts 8:14-17, Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Flowers for the Altar-are given today to the Glory of God by Teresa Pickering in loving memory of her parents, Joan and Colin Pickering, in celebration of their lives and their wedding anniversary which is on Jan. 6.



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She never wanted to marry but is forced to by circumstances beyond her control. He hopes to make amends for past wrongs, even if it means living with the scorn of the woman he loves for the rest of his life. Are there second chances? Can love find a way to heal hearts? A Reluctant Bride by Kathleen Fuller will have you reading well past lights out to find a resolution for an impossible situation.



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Prayer Chain Contact

Lynne Hurd is the contact and she can be reached at: 604-542-2772, or at Lynneh1@telus.net.

<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 <a href="https://www.stmarkbc.org/youth">www.stmarkbc.org/youth</a>.

<u>Seniors News</u>-Wednesday Get-Togethers for conversation and games from 1pm to 3:30pm, with refreshments at 2:30pm. Alternate Wednesdays. The first one in 2016 is this coming Wed. Jan. 6. For information regarding other outings please contact: <a href="mailto:sinder@shaw.ca">sinder@shaw.ca</a> 604-531-4931 (Sue) and <a href="mailto:acormode@shaw.ca">acormode@shaw.ca</a> 604-531-9585 (Janet)

**YOU HELP IS NEEDED AGAIN!** The Christmas trees, decorations and the stage will be taken down this Sat. Jan. 9 at 9am. Please help us with this final work party of the season. – Brian Walks

#### Upcoming Events

# Monday, January 4 Office is Closed

#### Tuesday, January 5

1:30pm – Prayer Shawl Mtng. – Family Room 7pm – Youth – Youth Room

#### Wednesday, January 6

9am - Exercise - Hall

10am -Service - Sanctuary

1pm - Seniors Get-Together - Hall & Family Room

#### Friday, January 8

9am - Exercise - Hall

6-9pm - Epiphany Dance - Hall

#### Saturday, January 9

9am – Work Party to take down Christmas trees and decorations - Hall

### **OFFICE HOURS**

9am to 12 noon on Monday9am to 3pm Tues. and Thurs.9am to 12 noon on Friday



January 8

Come in Costume Be a King or Queen!

St. Mark Ocean Park Hall

Bring a Friend

Make a new Friend.



# EPIPHANY DANCE

AGES 2 TO 92

Join DJ Francis for a fun evening of great music and dance.

We welcome contributions to our snack table.

Please bring a ready to serve finger food.

Suggested Minimum Donation \$5 per person.