



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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2017 Vacation Bible School

Today, following the 10am Service we are having a short organizational meeting in the Family Room for the 10th Annual St. Mark's VBS - Vacation Bible School - scheduled for August 21-25, 2017. Welcome to all interested and past contributors and attendees! Let's have a fabulous VBS! Laurie (Laurence) Stephenson (lawren85@telus.net)

Mother's Day Fashion Show and Tea

For tickets call Linda O'Donovan at 604.536.7983

Bible Readings for Sunday, May 7 Acts 2:42-47,
1 Peter 2:10-25, John 10:1-10, Psalm 23

"PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK SUNDAY APRIL 30, 2017

Prayers of the People – If you, or somebody you know, would like to be included in the list of those prayed for publicly in the Prayers of the People during the Sunday 10am BAS service, please write your/their name legibly on the right hand side of the list on the lectern at the back of the Sanctuary. Please ensure that if you include the last name you have their permission to do so. If the person has passed away and you wish to have them and their loved ones prayed for, the list for those who have recently passed away is on the left hand side of the list. This list is created from scratch each week, so your names will not be carried forward unless you re-write them the next Sunday. For ongoing prayer, we suggest the **Prayer Chain**, as detailed below.

Prayer Chain Contact – The coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Mary Brown who can be reached at 604.535.6408 or at marybrown@telus.net



St. Mark's GARDENING BEE

Tuesday May 2, 9 - 12:00 & 1 - 3

BEE BUSY IN ST. MARK'S GARDENS

- Weed sidewalk border garden
- Weed & Serenity Garden
- Apply top dressing to Serenity Garden
- Transfer courtyard helebore to Serenity Garden
- Top dress grass in Serenity Garden
- Top Dress grass East of main entrance

PRIZE DRAW TODAY! for the St. Mark Syrian Refugee Family Fund - Diamond

As you may know, a very generous person in our neighbourhood donated a woman's diamond ring to our Church (the ring has been appraised at \$2200). Our neighbour asked that we put any proceeds from its sale or raffle towards our St. Mark Syrian Refugee Family Fund. Only 70 tickets are left to sell of the original 250 we printed. Last minute tickets may be purchased after the 10am Service. The winning ticket will be drawn today in the Hall during coffee time (B.C. Gaming Event License #93122).



SUMMER TLC for St. Mark's Gardens

Please sign-up in the Hall to assist with watering, dead heading & weeding our many gardens/ baskets as may be required during May – Sept.

Anne Schreck

604.536.0072 (before May 14)

The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children is

provided this week by Barb and Jamie Grantham to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for their grandchildren.

“Change of Heart” Contemplative Prayer

Service – Sunday, May 28 at 7pm in the Family Room.

PWRDF Update

Voices of Hope – Pikangikum - According to the federal government, 80 First Nations communities in Canada south of the 60th parallel have long-term Drinking Water Advisories. They must boil the water for it to be safe to drink, and in some cases travel far to get the water. In 2012, PWRDF joined a group of professionals and community leaders from the small fly-in native community of Pikangikum in Northern Ontario to begin to address this situation. By fall 2013, more than \$100,000 had been raised to retrofit 10 homes with cisterns to hold potable water and a tank to hold waste water, as well as the necessary fixtures and fittings for full indoor plumbing and clean water. Phase 2 of the Pikangikum Water Project began in December 2016. With the help of Habitat for Humanity Manitoba, another 10 homes will be retrofitted with 1,200-gallon tanks to provide efficient delivery of clean water to people's homes. This wouldn't have happened without the dedication of Anglicans across Canada. Parishes, individuals and the PWRDF National Youth Council have rallied behind the cause. Not only have they raised more than \$550,000 since the project first began, but they've also raised awareness of this important health and equity issue that plagues Canada's First Nations.

Flowers for the Altar – today are given to the Glory of God.

Savvy Seniors Get-Together - The next one is: Wednesday, May 10 from 1pm to 3:30pm.

A QUICK LOOK AHEAD

Sat. May 6: 2pm Ladies Guild Fashion Show

Sat. May 13: Garden Club Spring Sale

Wed. May 17: 10am Healing Service

Fri. May 26 & Sat. May 27: Diocesan Synod

Sat. June 3: 11am-2pm ACW Spring Lunch & Sale

Sat. June 10: 5:30pm Men's Club Chicken Bar B Q

Sat. June 17: 6pm Embrace Rwanda Dinner Fundraiser

Wed. June 21: 10am Healing Service

More details to come. Book these dates on your

calendar.

Upcoming Events

Monday, May 1

9am – Exercise – Hall

Tuesday, May 2

9am - 12:00 & 1pm – 3pm – Gardening Bee

9:30am – Bible Study – Family Room

2pm – ACW meeting - FR

7pm – Youth – Youth Room

7:30pm – ESL Bible Study - Office

Wednesday, May 3

9am – Yoga – Education Centre

10am – Service – Sanctuary

Friday, May 5

9am – Exercise – Hall

Set up for Fashion Show – Hall

Saturday, May 6

2pm – Ladies Guild Fashion Show - Hall