

# "PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK

**SUNDAY JULY 2, 2017** 

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<u>From Pat Zammit</u> - Thank you all for prayers, cards, caring and visits while I was waiting for surgery. I was so uplifted and aware of the Lord's presence very near. Now it is over, everything went according to plan and I feel great, thanks be to my Lord and Saviour. Just got to keep doing the exercises to get stronger! Prayer is very powerful! Blessings - Pat Zammit.

<u>Adopt-A-Street Ministry</u> - Team Thirsk and Herron gave our street a great clean on the 17th. It took them two hours and they did a wonderful job estimating the weight of what they collected at about 30 lbs. (13 kgs.). This included a lot of fast food containers and cigarette butts. Thank you guys!

### Bible Readings for Sunday, July 9

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67, Romans 7:15-25a, Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30, Psalm 45:10-17

#### **LIBRARY NEWS**

**For Love & Honor** by **Jody Hedlund** is for those of you who like period fiction. There is a wealthy noblewoman, a desperate knight, and a dangerous secret that threatens their love and lives. An engaging quick read with strong Christian themes. A must read for the summer.



We've been doing a great job ... but!

The City of Surrey Waste Management Inspectors.

Recently Surrey Inspectors have been checking on City waste in incorrect bins.

They can ticket offenders and can discontinue pick-up for continued infractions.

Please be careful

BLUE Bins = no plastic bags, cello or saran; No glass.

GREEN Bins = No rocks or soil.

Please remember that lids of bins have to close. Overstuffed bins can be left behind.

No...



Are you as upset about this as Isobel & Charlie are?? See them at the empty table...after the Service. We need a full slate of volunteers for at least one month ahead of time before this wonderful project can resume. Contact Anne Schreck

### "No Bones About It!" Workshop

Attend either:
Saturday, July 15
10am to 12pm in the Hall
or
Wednesday, July 19
10:30am to 12:30pm in the Hall.

See the Poster & Brochures in the Hall

<u>Savvy Seniors Get-Together</u> - The next one is in the Hall and Family Room this Wednesday, July 5 from 1pm to 3:30pm.

<u>The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children</u> is provided this week by Michael Houston to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for Brother Bob, Brother Les, Charlie the pup, and Brother James who is here in spirit.

### <u>Calling All Children for Summer Sunday School!</u>

Come with us on an adventure through God's holy kingdom! Join us for Summer Sunday School from July 2<sup>nd</sup> to September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Together, we will explore God's good deeds and His love for us. Every Sunday, we shall pray and engage with a Bible reading in a fun and meaningful way. Hope to see you there!

### **Volunteers Needed for Summer Sunday School!**

We are looking for volunteers for Summer Sunday School from July 2<sup>nd</sup> to September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Volunteers are responsible for helping to lead the prayer, present the Bible reading, and do the craft or activity. If you would like to volunteer, sign up at the table in the narthex or email Kate Herron at herronkate98@gmail.com.

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

FINANCIAL STATUS AT MAY 31, 2017

	<b>CURRENT MONTH</b>	YEAR TO DATE	YTD BUDGET	VARIANCE
TOTAL INCOME	27,361.40	152,421.81	164,877.09	-12,455.28
TOTAL EXPENSES	34,676.26	162,877.13	164,877.09	(1,999.96)
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ (7,314.86)	\$ (10,455.32)	\$	\$ (10,455.32)

For full 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. **Just a wee reminder – Expenses do not take summer vacation – contributions hopefully will not either. Blessings for a great summer.** 

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<u>Flowers for the Altar</u> – are given today by Margot McDermott to the Glory of God and the McDermott Family. Flowers are also given by Phyllis Henry to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Robert.

<u>Prayer Chain Contact</u> – The coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Michael Weller. He can be reached at <u>weller301@shaw.ca</u> or by calling 604.538.9334

### South Sudan Relief Efforts – Report from PWRDF

On March 23, 2017, ACT Alliance issued a South Sudan Famine Crisis Response with a target of raising \$9 million US for one year. PWRDF contributed an initial grant of \$25,000, and then followed up with another \$45,000. This program will continue to provide food, seeds and farming tools to internally displaced and host communities until March 2018.

In 2016 the South Sudanese Development and Relief Agency (SUDRA) issued an appeal and PWRDF has contributed \$25,000, along with other Anglican agencies such as Episcopal Relief and Development in the United States.

In February, SUDRA distributed cash to 180 households in the city of Yei to enable families to buy food in the market, pay for medical care and send their kids to school as these are now reopening. Most people in Yei are living in homes of people who have fled. SUDRA staff has been busy responding and also assessing the situation for a new appeal, which is expected soon.



## ALL KIDS 4-12 ARE INVITED TO OUR <u>FREE</u> PASSPORT TO PERU VBS!!!!! AT ST MARK'S OCEAN PARK <u>AUG. 21-25 9 AM-12 NOON</u>

VBS is seeking donations of plastic flowers, stuffies or cut-outs of South American wildlife, including parrots, etc.

If you can help out with this please call 604-679-9061 Lawrence Stephenson, VBS Director



### A Quick Look Ahead

Mon. August 21 – Fri. August 25 – VBS Sat. Sept. 16, 5:30 pm Men's Club Salmon BBQ

### **Upcoming Events**

### Monday, July 3

OFFICE is CLOSED

### Tuesday, July 4

1pm - Prayer Shawls - Family Room

### Wednesday, July 5

9am - Yoga - Education Centre

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

### Thursday, July 6

7pm – Mandarin Bible Study – Family Room

### Friday, July 7

9am - Exercise