



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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"PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK SUNDAY DEC. 31, 2017

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN

- is provided this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Blanche Biddle.

THE PRAYER CHAIN Coordinator is Lynne Hurd. She can be reached at 604.542.2772 or at lynneh1@telus.net.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

Sunday School starts again on Sun. January 7.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR – are given today to the Glory of God by Violet Reimer. She is deeply grateful to her Heavenly Father for granting her several Miracles this year. Through the Power of Prayer and her St. Mark's friends she is finally improving day by day!! May our Precious Lord Jesus grant each of you a Miracle-Filled New Year 2018. Amen!!

"A true friend loveth at all times." – Proverbs 17:17

Flowers are also given by Merrilee Trask, to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for all the blessings received throughout the year, and for the celebration of her and her husband's 32nd wedding anniversary.

MINISTRY REPORTS for the Annual Report:

Thank you to all Ministry Leaders who have submitted their 2017 Ministry Reports for the Annual Report for Vestry 2018. This notice is a reminder to Ministry Leaders to please submit reports by: **Monday, January 15**
Forward to office@stmarkbc.org.

JANUARY 7 BIBLE READINGS – Genesis 1:1-5, Psalm 29, Acts 19:1-7, Mark 1:4-11

THE LUNCH BASKET MEMORIAL & THANKSGIVING FUND DONOR PLEDGE CHART

The 2018 chart has now been put up in the Church Hall. Please sign up to donate to the Lunch Basket program, starting in January, and filling in the blanks until the end of the year. These donations go to help young single Moms with children under 18 years old. Thank you to all who have donated. The chart is located on the west wall in the Hall. Please call Darlene Wiegand at 604.536.7107 if you have any questions or concerns. Looking forward to a successful year ahead.

NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY - We are putting together a new photo directory, with the help of, once again, IPC Canada Photo Services. Parishioners can sign up beginning in early January to have their photo taken, here at St. Marks, somewhere between January 31 and February 10, 2018. There is no pressure to buy photographs, although many people take this opportunity to have lovely new family photos taken. We encourage everyone to be involved so we can have a complete directory for use within the congregation. If you cannot make it for a sitting at that time, photos can be submitted instead. If anyone would like to help with this project, we will need a sign-up crew throughout January and hosts and hostesses during the sessions. Please speak to Catherine Featherstone, Louise Ritchie or wardens, Ken or Art.

A QUICK LOOK AHEAD

Tues. Jan. 9 1pm – Prayer Shawl meeting

Tues. Jan. 9 2pm – ACW meeting

Tue. Jan. 9 6pm Men's Club dinner meeting; Guest speakers from the Gilbert & Sullivan Society and a short musical program.

Wed. Jan. 10 Seniors Get-Together from 1-3pm

Sun. Jan. 14 7pm Contemplative Prayer

Tues. Jan. 16 2pm Ladies Guild meeting

Wed. Jan. 17 10am Healing Service

Sun. Jan. 21 Souper Sunday

Wed. Jan. 24 – Seniors Get Together from 1-3pm

Sun. Jan. 28 7pm Contemplative Prayer

Jan. 31-Feb.10 Pictures taken for new photo directory. More details to come.

Tues. Feb. 6 1pm Prayer Shawl meeting

Wed. Feb. 7 Seniors Get-Together from 1-3pm

Sun. Feb. 11 7pm Contemplative Prayer

Tues. Feb. 13 2pm ACW meeting

Tue. Feb. 13 5:30pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Wed. Feb. 14 10am & 7pm Ash Wednesday Service

Sun. Feb. 18 11:30am Annual Vestry Meeting

Tues. Feb. 20 2pm Ladies Guild meeting

Wed. Feb. 21 10am Healing Service

Wed. Feb. 21 Seniors Get-Together from 1-3pm

Sun. Feb. 25 7pm Contemplative Prayer

Tues. March 6 Prayer Shawl meeting

Wed. March 7 Seniors Get-Together from 103pm

Sun. March 11 7pm Contemplative Prayer

Tues. March 13 ACW meeting

Tue. March 13 6pm Men's Club dinner meeting.

Guest speaker: George Garrett, CKNW

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Tues. March 20 Ladies Guild meeting

Wed. March 21 10am Healing Service

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 1

Office Closed

Wednesday, January 3

9am – Yoga – Education Centre

10am –Service – Sanctuary

7:30pm – Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Friday, January 5

9am – Exercise – Hall

A.C.W. Announcement

The flower chart for 2018 is up. If you have a favourite date please put your name on the chart. We want to keep it to 2 bouquets per week. When using your envelope to pay for the flowers; instead of writing on the cheque, please mark on the outside of your envelope "Altar Flowers". We will continue the price at \$50 per month. If you want the Altar Guild to buy the flowers for you circle **YES**.