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"PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK

SUNDAY JUNE 10, 2018

Everyone Welcome! Today Debra DaVaughn will be holding her student recital. All are welcome to enjoy this wonderful afternoon of music presented by a large group of mixed talent! The program begins at 1:30 sharp in the Sanctuary at St. Mark's. We hope to see you there.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR are given today to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my husband Tod, giving thanks for the blessing of our children and grandchildren. – Nancy Boresky

Flowers are also given by Laurence Stephenson, to the Glory of God, and in memory of his father Frank Stephenson.

<u>See today's insert: ACW Lunch and Sale</u> <u>Next Saturday, June 16th, from 11am to 2pm</u>

PRAYER CHAIN coordinator is Michael Weller. He can be reached at weller301@shaw.ca or 604.538.9334. This ministry is a blessing to both those for whom we pray, and those who do the praying!

BIBLE READINGS FOR JUNE 17

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13, Psalm 20 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17, Mark 4:26-34

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN

is provided this week to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

John and Dorothy Mash Retirement Photos and

Presentations On our St. Mark's website, we've posted some photos (thank you to Jock Ferguson) and the lovely presentation that Leslie Ann Hebb made to Dorothy and John at their "retirement" reception on Sunday May 27. Here's a link to the presentation and photos:

http://stmarkbc.org/2018/05/27/rev-john-dorothy-retirement-reception-remarks/

We've also posted the words to the Retirement "Song" the choir sang for Dorothy and John. Here's a link to the song:

http://stmarkbc.org/2018/05/27/rev-john-dorothy-retirement-song-lyrics/

Change of Heart Contemplative Evening Prayers: Living in Community

We will gather tonight, June 10, at 7pm in the Family Room for a time of meditation and discussion. If you are able, please listen on the website www.stmarkbc.org to John Mash's sermon from April 29th on the importance of remaining "rooted in Christ" and living in Community. As your time allows, you might also listen to his sermon for May 6th as background to this week's meditation. "I am the vine, you are the branches. If a man remains in me, he will bear much fruit...My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends." John 15:5, 12, 13

1 John 4:7 "Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God."

We will be reading and meditating on a piece from Richard Rohr entitled "Reality in Communion" which has been adapted from his book <u>Essential Teachings On Love.</u> We will be considering how we learn more of God's love through being in community with one another. We look forward to welcoming you this evening. In Christ's love, Lynne Hurd

<u>Dear friends of St. Mark's</u> we send you our deep thanks for our years of ministry with you, and for such a wonderful day Sunday, May 27. We felt so loved and affirmed by our St. Mark's family!

We thank Craig and Holly for including us so warmly and supportively, and for their faithful caring and prayers, especially through the last few months with medical issues.

Our special thanks to Sheila for arrangements, to Barbara for the beautiful flowers, to Leslie Ann for her kind eloquence, to the Men's Club for setting up, the wonderful workers of the ACW for the delicious lunch, the choir for its serenade (impressive!) and all others who helped in any way.

We thank you all for your kind gifts, which have helped us to retire our venerable Toyota - so we have happy trails ahead of us!

Above all, we thank you, our dear friends, for your grace in sharing the journey with us - it has been a deeply humbling and satisfying experience of the Love of God in and through you.

Love and God's continued blessings to you all,

John and Dorothy Mash



Library News

In the early days of World War II many things fell on women's shoulders that had previously been done by men. When the Vicar disbands the choir because the men have gone to war the village women resurrect themselves as the **Chilbury Ladies' Choir**. **Jennifer Ryan's** novel illuminates the true strength of the women in a village in England.

QUICK LOOK AHEAD

Tues. June 12 12noon ACW Appreciation Luncheon Sat. June 16 11 am ACW spring lunch and sale.

Tues. June 19 Noon - Ladies Guild Meeting – Summer Party – T.B.A.

Sun. June 24 7pm Contemplative Prayer in the Family Room. This is the last Contemplative Prayer until Sept. 9 Tue. June 26 7 pm Parish Council

Tue. July 10 6 pm Men's Club Bar B Q in the courtyard. Men's Club members are allowed to bring one guest.

Mon. Aug. 20 Fri. Aug. 24: 9 am-12 noon Vacation Bible School: "Shipwrecked" with Laurie and Kate.
Sat. Sept. 15 5:30 pm Men's Club Salmon Bar B Q
Tue. Oct. 9 6 pm Men's Club: Special presentation on the Israel pilgrimage

Fri. Oct. 12-Sun. Oct. 14: "Prayer Beyond Words" retreat at Camp Elphinstone. Contact Lynne Hurd Sat. Oct. 13: Special Synod. Synod delegates are to attend.

Upcoming Events

Monday, June 11

9am - Exercise - Hall

Tuesday, June 12

12:30to 4:40pm - ACW - Kitchen & Hall

Wednesday, June 13

9am - Yoga - Education Centre

10am - Service - Sanctuary

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

Thursday, June 14

1pm – Outreach Committee Meeting - H 7:30pm – Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Friday, June 25

9am - Exercise - Hall

10am - Set Up For ACW Lunch and Sale - Hall

Saturday, June 16

11am - ACW Lunch and Sale - Hall