



**St. Mark – Ocean Park  
Anglican Church**

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**"PARISH PULSE"  
NEWSLETTER OF  
ST. MARK OCEAN PARK  
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2018**

**TODAY...**

**Come & View the Creation Care Ministry Display in the Parish Hall  
We'd love you to join the team!!!  
Creation Care Ministry Coordinator Anne Schreck 604.536.0072**



**Library News**

"The king is ready for war. He is not fighting another army. He is not fighting another king. He is fighting three children, and their dog." **Adam Gidwitz** has done it again with the Newberry Honor Winning book **The Inquisitor's Tale**. Taking place in France, in 1242, Jeanne, a peasant girl, William, a young monk, and Jacob, a Jewish boy, join forces with their greyhound to fight demons, dragons, and cruel knights, with the final showdown taking place in the waves at the foot of the abbey-fortress of Mont-Saint-Michel. This is a real page turner that will be very hard to put down and even harder to get back from the adult in the house who decided to see what it is you are reading.

**More Library News**

A DVD on Judaism was misplaced last Sunday at 10AM.  
If you happen to find it, please hand in to the Parish Library.

**BIBLE READINGS FOR September 23**

Proverbs 31:10-31, Psalm 1, James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a, Mark 9:30-37

**Diocesan Anti-Racism Policy training is being offered in 2018 at locations as follows:**

Sept. 29 – St. George, Maple Ridge **OR** Oct. 27 – St. Matthew, Abbotsford **OR** Dec. 1 – All Saints, Ladner

All those who are in Ministries that are considered MEDIUM or HIGH risk need to attend every 5 years, although anyone in the parish is welcome to attend. Carpooling may be arranged. These workshops are no charge, running 8:45-4:00pm. Bring your own lunch (coffee and tea are provided).

To register look on the Diocesan Website: [www.vancouver.anglican.ca](http://www.vancouver.anglican.ca) then click on the **Event Calendar** and scroll down to September 29 (multiple dates). **OR** you can contact the Diocesan Office 604-684-6306 8:30-4:30 M-F. Register early as there is limited space.

If you are unable to attend one of these, please let Barb Walks know at [bdwalks@gmail.com](mailto:bdwalks@gmail.com) and she can provide you with other options.

**PRAYER CHAIN** - The Coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Maggie Ferguson who may be reached at 604.538.6160 or at [maggieferguson@telus.net](mailto:maggieferguson@telus.net) Please give your requests to Maggie & she will send them out to the rest of the members of the chain, which now numbers 20 men & women, for daily prayer during their quiet time. Please renew or update your requests every two weeks as needed.

**FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR** – are given today by the A.C.W., to the glory of God and in thanksgiving.

**The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children** is given today by Barbara and Jamie Grantham to the Glory of God and in gratitude and thanksgiving for their grandchildren and all His gifts.



**THE CREATION CARE MINISTRY at St. Mark's** was created by a motion made at the Parish Council Meeting of May 2015. This Ministry replaced & expanded the work of the previous Environmental Steward to encourage all parishioners to more fully embrace our Baptismal Covenant and the fifth Mark of Mission within the Anglican Church. At each Baptism our promise to God is that we shall: "strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth." This is also the fifth of the Anglican "Five Marks of Mission".

### **QUICK LOOK AHEAD**

Tues. Sept. 18 7 pm All Leaders Meeting  
Thu. Sept. 20 7 pm Journey of Christmas Visioning Forum  
Sun. Sept. 23 Sunday School Hot Dog Social  
Sun. Sept. 23 Souper Sunday  
Tue. Sept. 25 7 pm Parish Council  
Thurs. Sept. 27 8:30am Food Safe Course in the Education Centre  
Tues. Oct. 2 1pm Prayer Shawls  
Sun. Oct. 7 Thanksgiving Sunday  
Tue. Oct. 9 6 pm Men's Club dinner. Guest speaker: Scott Tolhurst  
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.  
Sun. Oct. 21 Souper Sunday  
Tue. Oct. 23 7 pm Parish Council  
Sat. Oct. 27 Anti-Racism Policy Workshop at St. Matthew's in Abbotsford  
Sun. Nov. 3 10:30 am Investiture of the Order of the Diocese of New Westminster (ODNW) Massey Theatre, New Westminster  
Nov. 6 1pm Prayer Shawls  
Sat. Nov. 10 Remembrance Day concerts Contact: Denny O'Donovan  
Sun. Nov. 11 Remembrance Day Sunday  
Tue. Nov. 13 6 pm Men's Club dinner: Special presentation about last spring's pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Presented by Craig & Holly  
Sat. Nov. 17 Metal Recycling  
Sun. Nov. 18 Souper Sunday  
Tue. Nov. 27 7 pm Parish Council

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Tuesday, September 18**

2pm – Ladies Guild Meeting – Family Room  
7pm – All Leaders Meeting – Family Room

#### **Wednesday, September 19**

9am – Yoga – Education Centre  
10am – Service – Sanctuary  
1:30pm – Finance Meeting – Education Centre  
7:30pm – Choir Practice – Sanctuary

#### **Thursday, September 20**

7pm – Journey Of Christmas Forum – Family Room

#### **Friday, September 21**

9am – Exercise - Hall

#### **Saturday, September 22**

8:30am – Soup Preparation – Kitchen

#### **Sunday, September 23**

Souper Sunday Soup Sales after 10am Service  
7pm – Contemplative Prayer – Family Room