



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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"PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 4, 2018**

Just A Note Of THANKS to the helpful hands that rescued me during and after my fainting spell at the October 28 8am Service. It seems that it may have been caused by an adjustment in medication. Many thanks to each of you...it's so typical of the caring attitude for each other at St. Mark's.

– Doris MacKellar

A Note To All Our "Senior" Seniors: Please mark Friday, December 14, on your calendars for our Christmas Lunch. We will be handing out invitations at Church November 18 and 25, and we will have one for you from last year's list. Please plan on joining us!

Operation Christmas Child - St. Mark's Youth invite you to pick up a box in the narthex and fill it this Christmas to bless a child Each box is also delivered with the Gospel story and in partnership with local churches around the world. If you prefer to donate and have the youth group fill a box for you, please specify on your donations envelope or talk to Josh. Boxes must be returned to church no later than November 11.

Bible Readings For November 11

Wisdom 3:1-9, Psalm 116:1-8,
1 Peter 1:3-9, John 11:21-27

Prayer Chain - The Coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Maggie Ferguson who may be reached at 604.538.6160 or at 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 to the Glory of God and His many blessings, in memory of Jean.

Service of Remembrance

For St. Mark's former Music Director Jennifer Driscoll-Holmes, at Christ Church Cathedral, at 1pm on Saturday, November 17

ACW News – Calendars are available. They are \$8/each. AND...the time has come to make our drive for the Mission to Seafarers. The Mission will be packaging gifts for all the Seafarers in the Port of Vancouver over Christmas. Needed: socks (must contain wool), work gloves, warm mitts and gloves, cowl scarves, candy and toiletries (both male and female). To see the complete list it is on the table in the Narthex. For candy we will take your leftovers from Halloween. All donations must be at the Church by 11am on Sunday, December 2.

Israel Pilgrimage Presentation On Tues. Nov. 13 the Men's Club is inviting the ladies to Craig & Holly's presentation on this past spring's Israel pilgrimage. Ladies are to arrive at St. Mark's at 7:15pm for dessert, coffee and the presentation. The men will have their dinner and business meeting at 6pm. Ladies, please register your name at brian.walks@gmail.com or sign up after church on Nov. 4 & 11, so that we can put up the right number of chairs and buy the right amount of pies.

HELP WANTED

There are vacancies on the
COUNTERS TEAM.

Counters are on duty about 5 times per year, and use the Church Office for their counting duties following the 10am Service.

Please contact **Irene Snow** at
604.560.1446 if you feel that you can
serve this ministry.

Ladies Guild Purdys Chocolate Sale

Catalogues for this sale are available from the table in the narthex or hall. Purdys chocolates make great gifts for Christmas, stocking stuffers or hostess gifts. Please return your orders to the box on the display on or before November 25th. For further information contact Linda O'Donovan at 604-536-7983.

The Lunch Basket For Hungry Children is

provided this week by Dave and Debbie Emery to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

Metal Recycling

Please Note Time Change. 8am to 10:30am

Drop Off. If you are able; bring a magnet and help sort into iron and non iron. We shall aim to have the trucks loaded and ready to go to the Langley Depot by 11am. We may require an additional pick-up truck (3 total) to avoid an additional trip.

Metal Recycling Drive Remember! Remember! the 17th of November! \$\$\$ Turn Trash Into Cash \$\$\$... & keep it out of the landfill...St. Mark's 7th Semi-Annual Metal Recycling Drive:

Sat. Nov. 17 9am to 11am drop-off at the back of the Church in front of the green shipping container. In November of 2017 we moved **1 Ton** of metal in 1 day! Please do not leave contributions on the Church property without permission to do so.

Call: Anne Schreck 604.536.0072 or email:

anne_schreck@shaw.ca



Library News

From abused child to first class Christian rock star **I Can Only Imagine** is a truly inspiring story.

The power of forgiveness is demonstrated in this gripping story. Is "forgive and forget" really possible? Does it change lives? Check out the book if you like reading the original story; or if you prefer the talking book is available, or if you want something inspiring to watch we also have the DVD.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, November 6

9:30am – Bible Study – Family Room

1pm – Prayer Shawl Meeting – Family Room

6:30pm – Youth – Youth Room

6:45pm – ESL Bible Study - Office

Wednesday, November 7

9am – Yoga – Education Centre

10am – Service – Sanctuary

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

7:30pm – Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Friday, November 9

9am- Exercise – Hall

Saturday, November 10

2pm – Concert – Sanctuary

7pm – Concert - Sanctuary

November 10 **Labyrinth Prayer:**

A Pilgrim Journey Close to Home

Sat. 9am - 4 pm St. Dunstan's Church, Aldergrove.

The Labyrinth is a symbol of our life's path in **the ordinary and with the Divine** - our Center and Source.

This **full day retreat** offers stories, songs, and simple silence on our new grass path Labyrinth.

Facilitators:

Lorie Martin, Janet Scott, David Taylor

\$125 includes snacks and lunch.

Proceeds go to St. Dunstan's Labyrinth Fund.

Scholarships available.

Register at: loriemartin.com

Any Questions: See Janet Scott at St. Mark's or call her at: 778-828-8974.

Dear brothers and sisters, it is with gratitude Cecilia and friends will be gathering at **Journey of Christmas on December 16** celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ our Lord. If you play an instrument or sing, and like to be included in practices, please send me an email at cecibert@gmail.com. Don't forget to suggest your favourite Christmas Carol.

PWRDF – This is the 4th in a series of 10 "partners & innovative ideas that have made a world of difference" articles: **Promoting Gender Equality Through Marriage** ... PWRDF partnered with the Diocese of Bujumbura in Burundi and taught women the benefits of being legally married. Tradition dictates that a husband's birth family is entitled to his assets when he dies, leaving his wife and children with nothing. Many women were unaware that the law says assets are jointly owned. The diocese organized mass weddings and negotiated with the government to lower the marriage license fees – another barrier – and PWRDF and Global Affairs Canada covered half. Women who formalized their marriages report that they have regained their dignity, improved their sexual health, achieved greater family harmony and better health for their children.

QUICK LOOK AHEAD

Tues. Nov. 6 1pm Prayer Shawls
Sat. Nov. 10 Remembrance Day concerts
 Contact: Denny O'Donovan
Sun. Nov. 11 Rev. John Mash, Presider & Preacher,
 Remembrance Day Sunday
Tues. Nov. 13 2pm ACW Meeting
Tue. Nov. 13 6 pm Men's Club & at 7:15 pm Ladies join the
men for the rest of the evening. Special presentation about last
spring's pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Presented by Craig &
Holly
Sat. Nov. 17 Metal Recycling
Sun. Nov. 18 Reverend Roger Simpson, Preacher
Sun. Nov. 18 Souper Sunday
Tues. Nov. 20 2pm Ladies Guild Meeting
Sun. Nov. 25 7pm Taize Style Contemplative Evening Prayers
Tue. Nov. 27 7 pm Parish Council
Thurs. Nov. 29 set-up Holly Berry Fair

Fri. Nov. 30 set-up Holly Berry Fair (takes place the next day)
Sat. Dec. 1 8:15am Façade & Christmas star installation
 11am-2pm Holly Berry Fair
Tues. Dec. 4 8:30am set-up Journey of Christmas
 (inside & outside)
Tues. Dec. 4 1pm Prayer Shawls
Wed. Dec. 5 9am Decorate the Hall for Christmas
Wed. Dec. 5 1pm Seniors Get-Together
Sun. Dec. 9 7pm Contemplative Evening Prayer
Tues. Dec. 11 2pm ACW Meeting
Sun. Dec. 16:
4pm Journey of Christmas 20th Year Celebration Service
5pm Journey of Christmas opens
Tues. Dec. 18 2pm Ladies Guild Meeting
Mon. Dec. 24 3:30pm Journey of Christmas extended hours
 until 9pm
Mon. Dec. 24:
 5pm Christmas Eve Service
 7pm Christmas Eve Service
 11pm Christmas Eve service
Tues. Dec. 25 10am Christmas Day Service
Thurs. Dec. 27 9am to 1pm take-down of
 Journey of Christmas

Moments To Remember

A Remembrance Day concert by
Langley First Capital Chorus

November 10th, 2018

Matinée: 2pm

Evening: 7pm

St. Mark's Anglican Church

12953 20th Ave, Surrey

Tickets \$20

Group Rate \$15 (10 or more)

Featuring performances by:

AFFINITY 4

SYNCHROMESH

MAIN STREAM

STRINGS OF HOPE

Tickets available at

Pelican Rouge Café

15142 North Bluff Rd, White Rock

Ocean Park Village Pizza & Pub

12822 16 Ave, Surrey

For additional info please contact Denny at (604) 536-7983

Looking back and remembering

