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"PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2019

On Sunday, January 27 Ruth and David Ullstrom with the OMF Missionaries in Taiwan will be speaking at the 8am and 10am Services. Ruth is the daughter of Reverend Peter Niblock. The ACW will be providing a lunch after the 10am Service and the Ullstrom's will be presenting a Power Point presentation.



SOUPER SUNDAY IS TODAY!

The proceeds from today's Souper Sunday will be donated to our local FOOD BANK. This local location provides weekly support services to over 600 people in the White Rock/South Surrey area.

Sources White Rock/South Surrey Food Bank is a member of Food Banks BC and Food Banks Canada, providing community members in need a minimum of 2 days' worth of food per person per week. Extra healthy food items are also provided for each school age child as well as formula and diapers for babies.

<u>Email Collection</u> – As we did in past years, we would like to email the official "Notice" for our upcoming Vestry Meeting = Sunday, February 17, to members to save paper, copying and postage. Please verify changes or add your new (since January 2018) email address, to the membership list in the Narthex after both Services on today or Sunday the 27th. Those without emails will have Notices available for pick up on Sunday, February 3, or mailed. Thank you. – Your Wardens

<u>Bible Study</u> – Morning Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, January 22, from 9:30am to 11:30am (studying the book of Psalms).

St. Mark's Semi-Annual Metal Recycling Event on Saturday, March 30 Guidelines:

- Christmas Lights strings can be donated "as is"
- our primary aim is to keep metal out of the landfill, <u>not</u> to take away from existing opportunities and programs
- please put all acceptable metal in your blue bin, i.e. jar lids, mason rings, tin cans, foil tart shells, etc
- We are happy to receive these only if your collection doesn't accept them
- Please DO NOT LEAVE ON SITE except by arrangement with Anne Schreck close to the March or November events

<u>Contact for the Prayer Chain</u> Please send your requests for prayer to Lynne Hurd at <u>lynneh1@telus.net</u>, or by phone at 604-542-2772.

Bible Readings for January 27

Nememiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:14-21

<u>The Lunch Basket For Hungry Children</u> is provided this week by John and Victoria Finley to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the wonderful Christmas Season.

<u>Flowers for the Altar</u> - are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of, and thanksgiving for, my parents Marjorie and Neil MacDonald, by Isabel Chernoff.

Electronic Donations We encourage everyone to consider giving electronically by Pre-Authorized Donation (PAD), or via Credit/Debit card at the Electronic Donation Station located in the Narthex. Thank you to all those who have so enthusiastically embraced this new way of giving as it helps us to best manage our ongoing monthly expenses. Donation envelopes are also provided for those who prefer to give that way.

<u>Crossing the Threshold into a New Year</u> <u>Taize-Style Contemplative Evening Prayers Tonight</u>

In the month of January we stand on the threshold of a new year. What hopes, dreams, longings do you have for the year ahead? God invites us to take time to pause and then walk with faith across the threshold, trusting in His constant presence, within and around each one of us. Join us on tonight for a time of quiet music, sung prayer, readings and silence. We will meet in the Family Room at 7pm for approximately one hour. All are welcome! - Janet, Cecelia and Sandra

Labyrinth Retreat Day

Date: Saturday, February 23, 2019 Time: 9:00 - 4:00 Place: St. Dunstan's Anglican Church 3025-264th Ave; Aldergrove.

The labyrinth is a contemplative spiritual discipline based on the ancient practice of pilgrimage. Come explore and travel this ancient path and practice openness to love and clarity on the twists and turns you face. This retreat is full of embodied prayer opportunities; working with clay, art stations, and tactile labyrinth activities. We will begin by encircling the labyrinth for prayers, chants, and a blessing.

Facilitated by: Janet Scott, Lorie Martin & David Taylor
Registration: \$125.

Proceeds go to Labyrinth Fund at St.Dunstan's Parish.
Lunch, snacks, drinks and materials are provided.
Scholarships are available.
Register at: st-dunstans.ca

QUICK LOOK AHEAD

Tues. Jan. 22 – Ladies Guild Meeting

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Sun. Jan. 27 - Taize-Style Contemplative Eve. Prayers

Wed. Jan. 30 - Seniors Get Together

Tues. Feb. 5 - Prayer Shawls

Sun. Feb. 10 - Contemplative Evening Prayers

Tues. Feb. 12 – ACW Meeting

Tues. Feb. 12 – Men's Club Meeting

Wed. Feb. 13 – Seniors Get-Together

Sun. Feb. 17 – Annual Vestry Meeting

Tues. Feb. 19 - Ladies Guild Meeting

Wed. Feb. 20 – Altar Guild Meeting

Sat. Feb. 23 - Coldest Night of the Year

Sun. Feb. 24 – Souper Sunday

Sun. Feb. 24 - Taize-Style Contemplative Eve. Prayers

Wed. Feb. 27 – Seniors Get Together Tues. March 5 – Prayer Shawl Meeting

Tues. March 5 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Wed. March 6 - Ash Wednesday Service

Thurs. March 7 – Evening Lenten Series (begins)

Sun. March 10 - Contemplative Evening Prayers

Tues. March 12 - ACW Meeting

Tues. March 12 - Men's Club Meeting

Wed. March 13 - Seniors Get Together

Thurs. March 14 – Evening Lenten Series continues

Tues. March 19 - Ladies Guild Meeting

Thurs. March 21 - Evening Lenten Series continues

Sun. Mar. 24 - Taize-Style Contemplative Eve. Prayers

Tues. March 26 - Parish Council Meeting

Wed. March 27 – Seniors Get Together

Thurs. March 28 – Evening Lenten Series continues

Sat. March 30 -Metal Re-cycling Event

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, January 22

9:30am – Bible Study – Family Room 2pm – Ladies Guild – Family Room 7pm – Parish Council – Family Room

Wednesday, January 23

9am – Yoga – Education Centre 10am - Service – Sanctuary 7:30pm Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Friday, January 25

9am - Exercise - Hall

Saturday, January 26

<u>Kitchen</u> – Food Preparation for Sunday's presentation by the Ullstroms <u>Hall</u> – Set Up for Sunday's Coffee Hour

Sunday, January 27

<u>Hall</u> – After the 10am Service lunch will be served during the presentation by the Ullstroms

THE KAIROS BLANKET EXERCISE

Sunday, February 10, 2019
Registration 1:00–1:30pm, Exercise 1:30–4:30pm
at St. Dunstan's Anglican Church
3025 - 264th Street Aldergrove, BC



The KAIROS Blanket Exercise™ program is a unique, interactive and participatory Canadian-Indigenous history lesson, developed collaboration with Indigenous and educators knowledge keepers reconciliation. During the KBE, participants walk on blankets representing the land and into the role of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples by reading scrolls and carrying cards which ultimately determine their outcome as literally 'walk' through situations they include pre-contact, treaty-making, that

colonization and resistance. The Exercise concludes with a debriefing, conducted as a 'talking circle', during which participants discuss the learning experience, process their feelings, ask questions, share insights and deepen their understanding.

Canada is in a season of reconciliation and we are all invited to participate.

Art above by Melaney Gleeson-Lyall (Point), Musqueam Coast Salish

Watch it in action: https://www.kairosblanketexercise.org/about/

KBE Facilitators: Anne Wicks (Spiritual Director) and Melaney Gleeson-Lyall

Cost: \$40

Contact: Janet Scott, SoulStream Partner - janetcjscott@gmail.com

Register Here: https://soulstream.org/blanket-exercise-february-2019/

Event proceeds less expenses will go to SoulStream Initiatives SoulStream is a non-profit organization that seeks to support the contemplative lifestyle and encourage others to live authentically with Jesus Christ

