



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

12953 20th Ave., Surrey, BC, V4A 1Z1, Tel: 604-535-8841 email office@stmarkbc.org, www.stmarkbc.org

SAFE CHURCH Workshop

“The church must be a place of welcome, respect, and safety for all people. No one entering our community should ever have cause to fear for their well-being or the betrayal of their trust.”

As part of The Screening-in-Faith, Responsible Ministry program it is required that all leaders of High and Medium risk ministries attend the SAFE CHURCH workshop – (formerly known as Diocesan Sexual Misconduct Policy Workshop) every 5 years. A workshop will be offered at St. Mark’s on Saturday, March 9, from 9:30am to 12noon. So that we can be compliant and ensure the safety of all vulnerable people, we ask that you would attend this very important session. Please reply to Barb Walks, via email bdwalks@gmail.com, or 604.538.3568 so that we can be advised how many will be attending the March 9 workshop to make adequate preparations.

Welcome to all newcomers to St Mark’s!

Please set aside Sunday, March 10 after the 10am service for a luncheon and quick orientation for St. Mark’s church. It’s an opportunity to know and be known as part of our community. Please RSVP to Holly hollybt58@gmail.com :)

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER: Come one, come all to the best pancake supper in South Surrey on Tue. March 5 at 5:30 pm. The Ladies Guild, the Men's Club and pancake maker extraordinaire Steve MacPherson are preparing for this annual tradition which St. Mark’s has hosted for over 55 years. We are serving a variety of fruit toppings, whipped cream, syrup, ham and sausages to your taste's delight. Bring your friends and family!! Tickets are \$10 each for this wonderful treat!!!

“PARISH PULSE” NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2019

Bible Readings for Ash Wednesday, March 6

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17, Psalm 51:1-17
2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10, Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Ash Wednesday Service Wed. March 6:
7pm at Mount Olive Lutheran Church

Bible Readings for March 10

Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
Romans 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13

Flowers for the Altar - are provided this week by the Altar Guild.

PWRDF Update

March 8, Inter'l Women's Day

International Women's Day is an opportunity to celebrate the contributions of women and renew efforts in achieving gender equality – in Canada and around the world. The Government of Canada's Status of Women's theme this year is #InnovateForChange. It is a call to action, asking everyone to harness the power of technology to create a more equal world.



Check out the new “Creation Care” information on the display boards on the south wall of the Hall. You can read the latest information & sign up for the activities ahead! **Tues. March 5** – 9am to 11am. Work parties for gardens & grounds begins **Tues. March 5**...unless there is snow!
Sat. March 30 – 9am to 11am. Metal Collection drop-off. For more information call Anne Schreck at 604.536.0072

The Lunch Basket For Hungry Children is provided this week by Merrilee Trask, to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for our daughter Tamara.

Please Join us for

Lenten Lunches



Thursdays

12:00pm - 1:00pm

By Donation

Lenten Lunches 2019

March 14	Mount Olive Lutheran Church <u>2350 - 148 St Surrey</u>
March 21	Star of the Sea Parish <u>15262 Pacific Ave White Rock</u>
March 28	Peninsula United Church <u>Hosted at 15262 Pacific Ave White Rock</u>
April 4	St Mark's Anglican <u>12953 - 20 Avenue Surrey</u>

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, **not** 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

Contact for the Prayer Chain - Please send your requests for prayer to Mary Brown. Please contact her with your requests at 604.535.6408 or at marybrown@telus.net

Your Subscription To The Anglican Journal/Topic:

Following the receipt of the June issue of the Anglican Journal/Topic, the 111 members of St. Marks who receive it in their homes will no longer be automatically subscribed. In order to continue to receive printed copies of these newspapers, individuals will have to subscribe. There are a couple of easy ways to do so:

- see the following email to communicate with the Anglican Church of Canada's (ACC) office in Toronto:

yes@national.anglican.ca

and you will be prompted to provide your name, address and telephone number; if you cannot fill in the information regarding your subscriber ID# just leave that field blank; OR

- call toll-free 1-866-333-0959 and speak to a member of the ACC staff.

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.

The VITA Retreat - Prayer that makes us whole

- Friday – Sunday, March 22 - 24
- 4pm
- Loon Lake Retreat Centre, Maple Ridge, BC

Another opportunity to attend this excellent retreat that several in our parish have attended in the past. *A spiritual formation retreat, rooted in Anglican spirituality, where the Holy Spirit can move to personally transform participants to more actively engage in Christian prayer life and mission.*

After a successful pilot program, "The Vita Retreat" (formerly known as "Pro Vita Mundi") is ready to be fully launched as a transformative event for the diocese. The retreat is open to 25 people who desire spiritual growth and who want to explore their prayer lives in a West Coast retreat environment.

(continued....)

This two-night retreat includes all meals/snacks and materials. The facilities are modern cabins that include a common lounge, private showers and rooms with two beds; two people per room. Clergy are welcome to attend with their parishioners.

Retreat goals:

- to support participants as they broaden and deepen their experience of prayer in their everyday lives and activities.
- to inspire the energy, creativity and commitment of the next generation of Anglicans as they engage the communities where God has placed them.

Cost:

- for 2 nights accommodation, all meals, retreat materials
- \$175
- for bursary application to cover up to 50% of cost: email jschaap@vancouver.anglican.ca
- **Deadline for registration = Thurs. Feb. 28**
- Registration website: <https://conta.cc/2TC8HAV>

QUICK LOOK AHEAD

- Tues. March 5 – Prayer Shawl Meeting
- Tues. March 5 – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
- Wed. March 6 – Ash Wednesday 7pm Service at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
- Thurs. March 7 – Evening Lenten Series (1st of 6)
- Sun. March 10 – Newcomers Event
- Sun. March 10 – Souper Sunday
- Tues. March 12 – ACW Meeting
- Wed. March 13 – Seniors Get Together
- Thurs. March 14 – Lenten Lunch at 12noon at Mt. Olive
- Thurs. March 14 – Evening Lenten Series (2nd)
- Tues. March 19 – Ladies Guild Meeting
- Thurs. March 21 – Lenten Lunch at 12noon at Star of the Sea
- Thurs. March 21 – Evening Lenten Series (3rd)
- Sat. March 23 – 2pm Funeral for Ralph Darbyshire
- Tues. March 26 – Parish Council Meeting
- Wed. March 27 – Seniors Get Together
- Thurs. March 28 – Lenten Lunch at 12noon at Peninsula United
- Thurs. March 28 – Evening Lenten Series (4th)
- Sat. March 30 –Metal Re-cycling Event

- Thurs. April 4 – Lenten Lunch at 12noon at St. Mark’s
- Thurs. April 4 – Evening Lenten Series (5th)
- Thurs. April 11 – Evening Lenten Series (6th and final)
- Sun. April 14 – Palm Sunday
- Wed. April 17 – Holy Wednesday
- Thurs. April 18 – Maundy Thursday 6pm Family Service and Meal
- Fri. April 19 – Good Friday
- Sat. April 20 – Family Easter Blast in the Hall
- Sun. April 21 – Easter Sunday
- Sun. April 28 – Taize-Style Contemplative Prayers

2019 Parish Council Members & Trustees

NAME:	ROLE:
Rev. Craig Tanksley	Rector
Barb Walks	Rector’s Warden
Ken Miles	People’s Warden
Mari Anne Hussen	People’s Warden
Isabel Chernoff	Recording Secretary
Treasurer	Barbara Carington Smith
4 Synod Delegates	Isabel Chernoff
	David Soy
	Brenda Horner
	Ben Schmit
4 Alternate Synod Delegates	Art Go
	Lauren MacPherson
	Heather Higginson
	Mark Davies
Youth Synod Delegate	Vivian Wu
Alternate Youth Synod Delegate	Kate Herron
4 Members at Large	Katherine Mercedes Reynolds
	Karen Buchanan
	Sharon Ma
	Bernie Schneider
7 Trustees	Rev. Craig Tanksley
	Barb Walks
	Ken Miles
	Barbara Carington Smith
	John Ritchie
	Lawrence Hurd
	Jock Ferguson

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, March 5

9am – Shrove Tuesday Preparation – Hall & Kitchen

9:30am – Bible Study – Family Room

1pm – Prayer Shawls Meeting – Family Room

5:30pm – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner – Hall

Ash Wednesday, March 6

9am – Yoga – Education Centre

10am - Service – Sanctuary

7pm – Annual Ecumenical Service at Mount Olive Lutheran Church

7:30pm Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Thursday, March 7

7pm – Lenten Series – Sanctuary and Family Room

Friday, March 8

9am – Exercise – Hall

Saturday, March 9

9am – Safe Church – Education Centre & Family Room

9am – Souper Sunday Preparation - Kitchen

Sunday, March 10

Souper Sunday after 10am Service

Newcomers Event after 10am Service – Family Room