



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

**"PARISH PULSE"**  
NEWSLETTER OF  
ST. MARK OCEAN PARK  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2019**

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**Bible Readings for May 5**

Isaiah 52:7-10, Psalm 2:7-13 Ephesians 4:7-8, 11-16, Mark 16:15-20

**The Lunch Basket For Hungry Children** is provided this week by Chris and Cathy Martin to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

**Flowers For The Altar** are given today by the Finley Family, to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for God's glorious creation and the beauty all around us.

**Farewell to Emily**

Today is Music Director Emily Worden-Kwok's last Sunday with us. Also we celebrate our Patronal Festival of St. Mark today. There is cake in the Hall during Coffee Hour. Please join us.

**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](mailto:marybrown@telus.net)

**Taize-Style Contemplative Evening Prayers**

*The Easter Challenge*

"You believe because you can see..."

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe." (John 20:29)

After a break during the Lenten season, our twice monthly Contemplative Evening Prayers will re-commence tonight, Sunday, April 28. Join us 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, Sandra and Emily

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY FUNDRAISER - 2ND ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER**

**WHEN:** SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2019

**TIME:** 5:30 P.M.

**WHERE:** ST. MARK PARISH HALL, 12953 20TH AVENUE, SURREY, B.C.

**COST:** \$12.50 (CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER FREE)

PROCEEDS BENEFIT FAMILIES IN RWANDA, STREET CHILDREN OF KOLKATA, LOCAL FOOD BANK "LUNCHES FOR KIDS" PROGRAM AND PROVIDING FOR A NEEDY FAMILY AT CHRISTMAS. PLEASE COME OUT AND HELP SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN BY:

"HELPING KIDS HELP KIDS

K - KIDS

R - REACHING

I - INSPIRING

B - BUILDING



### **Spring is upon us!**

### **Do you love fresh air?**

### **And Exercise?**

Come and join St. Mark's Tuesday morning's Garden & Forest Work Party, 9am – 11am Tues. Parish Work Parties will also be scheduled. Watch the south wall Creation Care Displays for many more opportunities beginning in May!  
Or call Ann Schreck 604.536.0072 to become involved.

**Adult Sunday School series** "Together Deeper in His Word" commences on May 5, 2019, for 8 Sundays. We meet in the education room from 9:05am to 9:45am. This season, we will study the Acts of the Apostles in celebration of the Early Church and the Great Commission. Sign-up takes place in the Narthex after today's service. Please contact Ben at [benjibert@gmail.com](mailto:benjibert@gmail.com)



### **Library News**

If you enjoy **Charles R. Swindoll** you will be happy to know that through a generous donation we now have 4 more of his books. **Rise & Shine, Flying Closer to the Flame, Living Above the Level of Mediocrity, and Simple Faith** are now on the shelves and ready to be taken out. If you have not read him before, now might be the time for one of his books.

### **PWRDF Update**

Four weeks after Cyclone Idai residents in Zimbabwe and Mozambique are still coming to terms with the devastation. Access to clean drinking water is scarce.

PWRDF partner TSURO Trust has been delivering supplies to Kopa, Cashel, Charleswood, Biiri and other places that are often not reached by the World Food Programme and UN. For these, the army is now in charge of distribution.

Relief consignments donated through Miracle Missions and the International Relief Committee, as well as emergency support through TSURO's funding partners, including PWRDF, have allowed for lifesaving responses in these hard hit areas.

Resident, Baba Machingauta, said he was thankful TSURO was being so transparent in the relief food distribution, which is being done according to the Civil Protection Unit (CPU) schedule.

### **How you can help**

Donate to Cyclone Idai Emergency Response:

- Online – at [pwrdf.org/give-today](http://pwrdf.org/give-today) and choose Emergency Response
- Telephone – call toll-free at 1-866-308-7973
- Mail – send a cheque marked Cyclone Relief to:

PWRDF

80 Hayden Street, 3rd floor  
Toronto, Ontario, M4Y 3G2

## **The Awkward Topic of Money... Please Pray and Consider**

### ***If you are already investing in St. Mark's...***

Reflect on how your life has been enriched by the life of the community. When you have counted your blessings, then consider whether this is the time to increase your financial support.

### ***If you haven't given in the last year...***

Consider whether this is the year for you to make a financial commitment to support the ministries that we as Christ's disciples in this place undertake to proclaim the good news. When you have, then give as you are able.

### ***If you are reviewing your Will...***

Remember how this community has been upheld by the generous gifts of Parish members who have gone before us. Please make a provision for the Parish so that our ministry may continue in the decades ahead.

If you have questions about donating via PAD, EDS or envelopes please contact Barbara Carington Smith at 604-531-8436 or at [bacarington@gmail.com](mailto:bacarington@gmail.com) , or Brenda Horner at 604-535-6021 or at [bhenze@shaw.ca](mailto:bhenze@shaw.ca)

**For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.** 1 Chronicles 29:14

<b>PARISH OF ST. MARK - OCEAN PARK " OPERATING ACCOUNT "</b>				
<b>FINANCIAL STATUS AT MARCH 31, 2019</b>				
	<b>Current Month</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>33,075.20</b>	<b>89,439.52</b>	<b>99,321.50</b>	<b>(9,881.98)</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>39,971.98</b>	<b>99,028.22</b>	<b>99,321.50</b>	<b>293.28</b>
<b>SURPLUS (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>\$ (6,896.78)</b>	<b>\$ (9,588.70)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (9,588.70)</b>

## **Electronic Donations**

We encourage everyone to consider giving electronically by Pre-Authorized Donation (PAD), or via Credit/Debit card at the Electronic Donation Station (EDS) 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.

## **QUICK LOOK AHEAD**

Thu. May 2 - 2pm Memorial Service for Ed Prior  
Sun. May 5 – Launch of Adult Sunday School  
Tues. May 7 – Prayer Shawls Meeting  
Wed. May 8 – Seniors Get-Together  
Thurs. May 9 – Outreach Committee Meeting  
Sat. May 11 – Garden Club (renter) Plant Sale  
Tues. May 14 – 2pm – ACW Meeting  
Tue. May 14 - 6 pm Men's Club dinner meeting  
    Guest speaker: Rev. Tellison Glover  
Mon. May 20 – OFFICE CLOSED – Victoria Day  
Tues. May 21 – Ladies Guild Meeting  
Wed. May 22 – Seniors Get-Together  
Fri. May 24 & Sat. May 25 - Diocesan Synod  
Sat. May 25 – Fundraising Spaghetti Dinner  
Sun. May 26 – Taize Service in the Evening  
Tues. May 28 - 7pm Parish Council  
Thurs. May 30 & Fri. May 31 – ACW sets up in the Hall  
Sat. June 1 – ACW Spring Tea  
Tues. June 4 – Prayer Shawls Meeting  
Wed. June 5 – Seniors Get-Together  
Tues. June 11 – ACW Meeting  
Thurs. June 13 – All Leader's Meeting – 7-9pm  
Fri. June 14 – Men's Club Sets Up for BBQ  
Sat. June 15 - 5:30 pm Chicken Bar B Q  
Tues. June 18 – ACW Meeting  
Wed. June 19 – Seniors Get-Together  
Sun. June 23 – Taize-Style Service in the Evening  
Tue. June 25 - 7 pm Parish Council

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Wednesday, May 1**

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

### **Thursday, May 2**

9:30am – Finance Meeting – Education Centre  
2pm – Funeral for Ed Prior – Sanctuary  
Followed by Reception in the Hall

### **Friday, May 3**

9am – Exercise - Hall