



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

**"PARISH PULSE"**  
NEWSLETTER OF  
ST. MARK OCEAN PARK  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019**

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**Bible Readings for September 22**

Amos 8:4-7, Psalm 113,  
1 Timothy 2:1-7, Luke 16:1-13

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

**Contact for the Prayer Chain**

Coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Lynne Hurd. Please send your prayer requests and updates to Lynne at [lynneh1@telus.net](mailto:lynneh1@telus.net) or 604.542.2772

**Holly Berry Fair** – The Ladies Guild, ACW and Men's Club are already planning for this fun annual event. We will accept donations of treasures, antiques and collectibles, Christmas items at any time until the week of the Fair. If you would like further information or to be involved as a volunteer please email me, Linda O'Donovan, at [lindaodee@hotmail.com](mailto:lindaodee@hotmail.com)  
(Date of Fair: Sat. Nov. 30)

The **Dismantling Racism Workshop** (formerly called Diocesan Anti-Racism Policy training) is running Saturday, **September 28** from 8:45am until about 4pm at St Mark Ocean Park, in the Parish Hall. It is a privilege to be able to have the workshop offered at our own parish, and I am happy to tell you that our former Deacon, Rev. Steve Bailey, will be one of the facilitators.

To help us be more aware and respectful of others it is important for all those who are in ministries that are considered Medium or High risk to take this very helpful workshop every five years, although anyone in the parish is welcome to attend. Coffee, tea, water, and snacks will be provided. Please bring your own bag lunch, as there isn't enough time to go out and get one.

Please reply to Barb Walks, via email ([bdwalks@gmail.com](mailto:bdwalks@gmail.com)) so that we can be advised how many will be attending the September 28 workshop to make adequate preparations. If you are unable to attend please let me know.

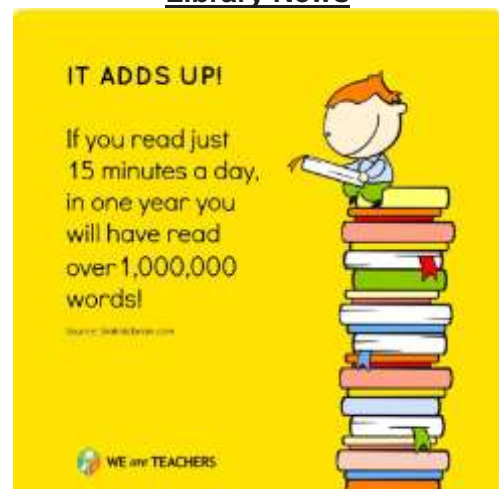
**TODAY:** See you in the Hall for **Sunday School Registration** for children ages 3 to 12 years.

**AND ALSO TODAY** - After church in the Hall, everyone is welcome to join in the **Hot Dog Social**. All food prepared and served by the children as a gift to their parish family.

**PHIL TUBBS AND FAMILY** - Throughout Phil's hospitalization, through surgery and now in his recovery, we have very much felt the caring and concern of many people at St. Mark's. We especially appreciate those who have prayed him through this unexpected adventure, those on the prayer chain, and the prayer shawl team. Our family has felt very blessed, and continue to do so. Many thanks also for the phone calls, offers of help, the cards and the flowers. We have been blessed with wonderful support, as well as a medical system and health care professionals who came through for Phil in amazing ways. We have much to praise God for as we approach Thanksgiving this year, and we do appreciate this community at St. Mark's very, very much.

- The Tubbs Family

**Library News**



*September is Literacy Month so come on into the Library and get started on your 1,000,000 words.*

### **NewComers Luncheon**

Welcome to all newcomers to St Marks! There will be a NewComers Luncheon on Sunday, Oct. 20 to welcome you - and give you a chance to learn a bit more about our church community. It will take place after the 10am service in the Family Room.

Please RSVP to Holly [hollybt58@gmail.com](mailto:hollybt58@gmail.com)

or the church office [office@stmarkbc.org](mailto:office@stmarkbc.org).

We really look forward to meeting you!

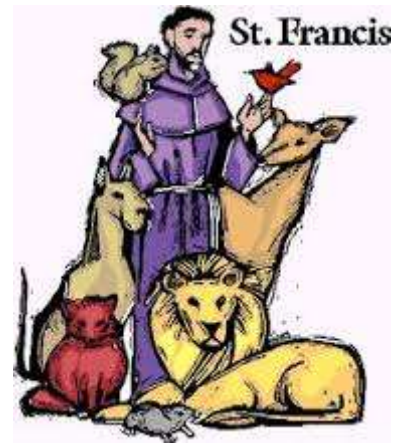
### **Sunday Contemplative Evening Prayers Begin Again**

Are you longing for a time of peaceful reflection amidst the busyness that September brings? We will gather next Sunday, September 22 at 7pm in the Family Room for a shared experience of Taize-Style sung contemplative prayers. This will be our first gathering after the summer break and we are looking forward to seeing new and familiar faces in the circle.

- Janet Scott, Coordinator

### **Adult Sunday School Series "Together Deeper in His Word"**

recommences today for 8 Sundays. We meet in the Education Centre from 9:05am to 9:45am. This season we will study the Book of Exodus in preparation of celebrating Christ's birth, the coming Christmas season. Please contact Ben Wong at [benjibert@gmail.com](mailto:benjibert@gmail.com) to sign up. Thank you.



## **St. Francis of Assisi Blessing of the Animals at the 10am Service on Sunday October 6, 2019**

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Tuesday, September 17**

9-11am – Gardens & Grounds Work Party

2pm – Ladies Guild Mtng – Family Room

7pm – Leaders Mtng – Family Room

#### **Wednesday, September 18**

9am – Yoga – Education Centre

10am Service – Sanctuary

7:30pm – Choir Practice - Sanctuary

#### **Thursday, September 19**

7:30pm – Mandarin Bible Study – Family Room

#### **Friday, September 20**

9am – Exercise – Hall

10am – Men's Club Sets Up the Hall For  
the Reception on Saturday

#### **Saturday, September 21**

2pm – Funeral Service for Isobel Davidge

3pm – Reception in the Hall following the  
Service

#### **Sunday, September 22**

7pm – Contemplative Evening Prayers in the  
Family Room

## **QUICK LOOK AHEAD**

Tues. Sept. 17 – Ladies Guild Meeting  
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Sun. Sept. 22 – 10am Service of Baptism and  
Sun. Sept. 22 – 7pm – Taize Service  
Tues. Sept. 24 – Parish Council meeting  
Wed. Sept. 25 – Seniors Get Together  
Wed. Sept. 25 – Altar Guild Meeting  
Sat. Sept. 28 – Dismantling Racism Workshop  
  
Tues. Oct. 1 – Prayer Shawls  
Fri, Oct. 4 – Sun. Oct. 6 – Camp Artaban Family  
Retreat (604.980.0391)  
Sun. Oct. 6 – 10am Service – Blessing of the  
Animals/St. Francis of Assisi  
Tues. Oct. 8 – ACW Meeting  
Tue. Oct. 8 - 6 pm Men's Club dinner meeting  
Guest speaker: Bill Wong, Union Gospel  
Mission  
Wed. Oct. 9 – Seniors Get Together  
Sun. Oct. 13 -- Thanksgiving Sunday  
Mon. Oct. 14 – Office Closed  
Tues. Oct. 15 – Ladies Guild Meeting  
Sat. Oct. 19 – Nygard/Tanjay sample sale  
Sun. Oct. 20 – NewComers Luncheon  
Sun. Oct. 20 -- Souper Sunday  
Mon. Oct. 21 -- 6 am-10 pm Federal Election. Hall  
is rented and will be as a Voting  
Place.  
Tues. Oct. 22 – Parish Council Meeting

Wed. Oct. 23 – Seniors Get Together

Tues. Nov. 5 – Prayer Shawls  
Wed. Nov. 6 – Seniors Get Together  
Sat. Nov. 9 - Denny's Annual Remembrance Day  
concerts  
Sun. Nov. 10 -- Remembrance Sunday  
Tues. Nov. 12 – ACW Meeting  
Tue. Nov. 12-- 6 pm Men's Club Dinner Meeting  
Sat. Nov. 16 – Metal Recycling Event  
Tues. Nov. 19 – Ladies Guild Meeting  
Wed. Nov. 20 – Seniors Get Together  
Sun. Nov. 24 -- Souper Sunday  
Tues. Nov. 26 – Parish Council Meeting  
Thu. Nov. 28 & Fri. Nov. 29 Set up for  
Holly Berry Fair  
Sun. Nov. 30 - 11 am-2 pm Holly Berry Fair  
  
Wed. Dec. 4 – Seniors Get Together  
Wed. Dec. 18 – Seniors Get Together