



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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"PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2019

Nominations for the Order of the Diocese of New Westminster (ODNW) are being accepted.

Do you know a member of the parish who has provided outstanding volunteer service over a significant period of time to the Parish/or number of Parishes, or in an outreach capacity, and/or at the Diocesan level?

Each parish is permitted to nominate one person in each and every even numbered calendar year. Posthumous nominations are not accepted.

Please write a brief summary as to why you think this person should be nominated and discreetly give to Rev. Craig by December 15.

The Lunch Basket Memorial & Thanksgiving Fund Donor Pledge Chart

The 2020 Chart is now posted in the church hall. Please sign up to donate to the Lunch Basket Program. These donations go to help young single Moms with children under 18 years old. Thank you to all who have donated this past year. The chart is located on the west wall in the hall. Please contact Darlene Wiegand at 604-536-7107 or dwiegand@telus.net if you have any questions or concerns.

Ministry Report Deadline Information for the Annual Report

The Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday,
February 16, 2020.

The deadline for your 2019 Ministry Report is:
Monday, January 13, 2020.

The Lunch Basket For Hungry Children is provided this week by Pam Hall to the Glory of God with thanksgiving for being blessed with a wonderful family and good health.

Celebration of Life Service - Thurs. Dec. 12 –
11am for Jean Hooper, followed by a Reception in
the Hall.

Holly Berry Fair

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

To everyone who donated items, created crafts and preserves, sorted through boxes, priced items, helped with set up, prepared and served the delicious lunch, peopled the tables on Saturday and Sunday and for the stalwarts who helped with clean up and disposal of the unsold goods.

This is a parish annual event and we do appreciate members of the congregation who step up to help the Ladies Guild, ACW and Men's Club. Special thanks to Heather Higginson for everything she does.

Please consider joining our team for next year's event on November 28th, 2020!!

- Linda O'Donovan

Flowers for the Altar - are given today by Brian and Ingrid Switzer in thankfulness for God's many blessings.

St. Mark's Christmas Luncheon

A Christmas Luncheon for St. Mark's senior seniors will be held again this year and is set for Friday Dec. 13, at 11:45am. If you attended last year, your invitations are available today. If you were not at last year's event, and would like to attend this year please contact barbgrantham@shaw.ca 604-531-3726 or the office at 604-535-8841. This event is sponsored by St. Mark's Ladies Guild, the ACW and the Men's Club. If you have any special dietary requirements please make a note with your RSVP. Rides will be available.

Bible Readings for December 15

Isaiah 35:1-10, James 5:7-10, Matthew 11:2-11,
Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Contact for the Prayer Chain – the Coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Maggie Ferguson. Please send your prayer requests and updates to Maggie at maggieferguson@telus.net or call 604.538.6160.

QUICK LOOK AHEAD

Sun. Dec. 8 – 7pm – A Dickens Christmas Concert

Thurs. Dec. 12 – 11am Funeral for Jean Hooper,
followed by a Reception in the Hall at
12noon

Fri. Dec. 13 – Seniors Christmas Luncheon

Sun. Dec. 15 – Children's Christmas Pageant

Sun. Dec. 15 – 7pm – A Blue Christmas Service

Wed. Dec. 18 – Seniors Get Together

Sun. Dec. 22 – Festival of Lessons and Carols

Sun. Dec. 22 – Special Coffee Hour with
Shortbread and Mincemeat Tarts

Sun. Dec. 22 – 7pm Debra daVaughn,
Chris Simmons and Cassandra's
We Wish You A Merry Christmas concert

Tues. Dec. 24 – 5pm Family Communion

Tues. Dec. 24 – 7pm and 11pm Candlelight
Communions

Wed. Dec. 25 – 10am Christmas Day Service

Mon. Dec. 30 – 9am to noon – Hall –
Take Down the Christmas Trees

Sat. Jan. 18 – Noon

Retirement Party for Craig and Holly Tanksley

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, December 10

2pm – ACW – Family Room

7:30pm – Bible Study – Office

Wednesday, December 11

9am – Yoga – Education Centre

10am -- Service – Sanctuary

Men's Club Sets Up the Hall with Tables and
Chairs for Thursday's Reception

7:30pm – Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Thursday, December 12

11am – Funeral for Jean Hooper - Sanctuary

12noon – Reception for Jean Hooper - Hall

7:30pm – Mandarin Bible Study – Family Room

Friday, December 13

9am -- Exercise – Education Centre

11:45am – Seniors Christmas Luncheon

Saturday, December 14

9:30am – Pageant Rehearsal

Sunday, December 15

7pm - Blue Christmas - Sanctuary