



## St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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### **E-PULSE** NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK **AUGUST 30, 2020**

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**FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR** are given this week by Reverend Sue Foley-Currie for her parents, Kay and Bill Foley. Flowers are also given today by Serena Collins: "In memory of my dear friend Corrine Cheyne."

**PRAYER CHAIN** – The Coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Maggie Ferguson who can be reached at [maggieferguson@telus.net](mailto:maggieferguson@telus.net), or by calling 604.538.6160. Please give your prayer requests and updates to Maggie who will forward them to the twenty men and women on the Prayer Chain to pray for your requests daily.

### **CAN YOU HELP?**

The Parish Leadership are looking for those inspired by the Holy Spirit to help as Counters, Intercessors, Greeters, 8AM Sidespersons, Prayer Shawl Coordinator, Technology Team (audio, video, or computer), Youth Leader, and Children's Ministries Coordinator.

If you feel called, please contact Barb, Mari Anne, Sheila N, or the church office to find out more details.

### **The Celebration of Holy Eucharist**

**Today, Sunday August 30** we will start the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist in-person. To keep all healthy there are strict safety protocols.

The celebrant will be the only communion administrant so there is less chance of transmission. There are strict sanitizing procedures for the celebrant for their safety and for the congregation's safety.

Communion will be in one kind only for the congregation. Theologically it is considered that consuming in one kind is to have received both bread and wine. Bread will be in the form of wafers only (regular and gluten-free). Only the celebrant will consume wine.

Following the greeters' directions, those receiving communion should come forth one at a time from the center aisle, being careful to maintain physical distancing between themselves and all others as they come forward. Please remain standing. (You will see physical distancing reminders on the floor.) All coming forward must be masked.

After receiving a wafer, communicants should return to their seats as directed by directional signage and by the greeters, using the outside aisles, moving to the back of the sanctuary, before coming up the aisle back to their seat.

Once back in their seats, communicants should remove their mask, consume the wafer, and after consuming their wafer, put their mask back on.

Any who comes forth for a blessing should also be masked (unless the person is an infant who cannot be masked). Any blessing that the celebrant gives will not involve touching.

Anointing with oil is not permitted at this time.

The direct link of the complete document sent out from the Archbishop August 10, 2020:

<https://files.constantcontact.com/a9c022f9001/c52647f3-285d-4f52-94eb-5e2382265dbd.pdf>

(Traffic Pattern plan for Eucharist is attached...Page 4.)

**To access the online Service:**

- onto the Church's website: [www.stmarkbc.org](http://www.stmarkbc.org)
- on the page that opens, click on where it says: "St. Mark Ocean Park Online Sunday Worship Services".

**Next Sunday's Service** will be Holy Communion.

**Have you wanted to take walk in our woods** and visit the Chapel but were put off by the lights across the driveway? The temporary lights were put up after a string of activity which required police presence. Through personal contact and through our security cameras, in the course of one week, we recorded drug use, drug deals, public urination and a drunken tailgate party. Each time the culprit drove around behind the church building.

A more permanent solution will be gates. The gates are for the safety of the worshippers and neighbours who wish to visit the woods and Chapel and for the safety of our Rectory renters. The gates are to prevent cars from driving around out of sight. Since the lights were placed we have not had one complaint or witnessed one issue in the back parking lot. This action is not taken lightly and is awaiting our next Parish Council meeting to have final approval.

Once the gates have been approved and installed there will be better access for pedestrian traffic. You are completely welcome to walk the grounds and visit the Chapel. We hope you will enjoy your walks and worship time in a safer environment.

**We are open for in-person services at 10am**, maximum 50 persons.

Please register each week through the eventbrite link posted on [www.stmarkbc.org](http://www.stmarkbc.org) or call 604-535-8841 by Friday noon. The safety protocols we were required to put in place can be found on the Church's website.

### **YOUR COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY**

**LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN** is the primary outreach within your Community Outreach Ministry. We continue each month to support five young Mothers and nine children. During these difficult times, these young Mothers need our support more than ever. We are asking for your prayers and continued financial support for these families in the weeks and months ahead.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Barb G. at:

[barbgrantham@shaw.ca](mailto:barbgrantham@shaw.ca)

### **FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR**

Anyone wishing to donate Flowers for the Sanctuary after re-opening, please contact Kathryn of the Altar Guild at [hkmasmith@shaw.ca](mailto:hkmasmith@shaw.ca) or phone the office at 604.535.8841 and leave a message.

Fire Door

Eucharist Traffic would be section B first. Then B2.

