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## E-PULSE NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK OCTOBER 11, 2020

<u>The Order of New Westminster Presentation</u> The Service for Investiture of the newest Order of the Diocese of New Westminster will take place on Sunday, November 1 at 12noon. More information to come soon.

Reverend Philippa Segrave-Pride's email address is: philippastmarks@gmail.com

<u>THE LUNCH BASKET</u> for Hungry Children this week is provided this week by Barbara and Jamie Grantham to the Glory of God in thanksgiving for their children, grandchildren and all their family, and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings in 50 years of marriage.

**Next Sunday's Service** Holy Eucharist. The Psalm and Readings for October 18 are as follows: Exodus 33:12-23, Psalm 99, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10, Matthew 22:15-22

<u>Flowers for the Altar</u> are given today by Hilda Smith to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of husband Les and son Derrick. Flowers are also given this week by Barbara and Jamie Grantham to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Barbara's Father, Herbert Emerson White.

<u>PRAYER CHAIN</u> – The Coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Maggie Ferguson who can be reached at <u>maggieferguson@telus.net</u>, 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.

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

Please register each week through the <u>eventbrite</u> link posted on <u>www.stmarkbc.org</u> 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.

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

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## To access the online Service:

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

<u>The Lunch Basket for Hungry Children</u> provides funding for lunches to five single Mothers and nine children. Please help support these families by choosing a date to support these families and have a dedication in the weekly E Pulse. E mail or phone Darlene W. or Barb G. with your dedication. The suggested donation of \$60 can be made by E-transfer, the Donation Station, or by dropping off a cheque in the mailbox at the church office.

November		December	
1	Betty-Ann & Ian Bainbridge	6	Joyce McQuarrie
8	Michael Weller	13	Elizabeth Darbyshire
15	Margaret & Lorne Appleton	20	Adela Rennie
22	Brenda Horne & Ron Henze	27	Yvonne & Keith Arkle
29	Sheila & Cliff Neyedli		

## LET'S TURN TRASH INTO CASH FOR THE LOVE OF GOD!....METAL RECYCLING

Let's take advantage of our last opportunity to clear out the garage, crawl space, junk drawers...send broken-down lawn furniture, the old BBQ, battered pots, pans and pails, hardware, chains picture frames, bed frames, costume jewellery, cutlery and kitchen utensils off to a good cause! **Creation Care** ... because God so loves the world SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2020 Last Metal Recycling Event

Drop-Off behind the Church from 9 to 11am Nov. 14 <u>only</u> (otherwise by appointment) Sorting & Loading 9am to 12noon Lighter work:

- Bring along a magnet to sort iron from non-iron
- Remove bulbs from strings of lights
- Flatten & consolidate bags/boxes
- Guide those arriving for drop off

Many Hands Make Light Work. Please join us: we need 3 pick-up trucks or 2 pick-ups and a van or a trailer. Please NO appliances (fridge/stove, etc.)

CONTACT = Anne Schreck 604.536.0072 OR anne schreck@shaw.ca

<u>FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR</u> Anyone wishing to donate Flowers for the Sanctuary after please contact Kathryn of the Altar Guild at <a href="https://hkmasmith@shaw.ca">hkmasmith@shaw.ca</a> or phone the office at 604.535.8841 and leave a message.

## **PWRDF Update**

In Haiti, organized crime has left people in poorer neighbourhoods living in a state of fear, particularly the most vulnerable people such as pregnant women, children, disabled people, the elderly and the ailing.

COVID-19 has further complicated the situation. Because the Haitian people in general do not trust the government, they tend to associate the pandemic with politics. Instead of following the recommendations of the government, they hid themselves, avoiding going to hospitals even if they were sick.

At the same time, most hospitals in the country closed their doors because they did not have adequate supplies to treat people infected with COVID-19. Bénicie Pierre, CEO of the Saint-Laurent Healthcare Centre of Barbe, planned to close the centre because of insufficient rooms, lack of masks, and lack of medications. But she recognized that pregnant women and sick babies would be at risk without support or intervention.

Pierre is a strong and capable leader within her home community of the village of Barbe, and also as a leader within the Haitian Women's Federation. When local NGO Rayjon Share Care Haiti (with Canadian office in Sarnia, Ont.), learned of the centre's plight, it started looking for funding partners to help it stay open and educate people about COVID-19, encourage them to wear masks to protect them from being infected, and to find more rooms to receive the patients and appropriate medication.

PWRDF supported Rayjon Share Care Haiti (RSCH) with a grant of \$10,000.

Photos or parishioners and pets were taken on St. Francis of Assisi Sunday, Oct. 4, as Reverend Philippa did a blessing.







