



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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E-PULSE NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK NOVEMBER 29, 2020

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**Sadly, due to the new Provincial Health Order,
our worship has had to go back to being Online only.**

We will be prerecording our worship this Saturday and hope to have it online by Sunday morning. We are working with new Internet providers and hope to be able to resume live streaming soon. Thank you for your patience.

Although the news is frustrating, ultimately it is to help keep us safe from COVID -19. Visits to the church are possible, but we please ask that you make an appointment (604.535.8841) so we can keep a record of who is in the building at any time.

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"

HOLLY BERRY FAIR

Another casualty of the latest restrictions is the Holly Berry Fair. Please keep checking our website and facebook page for further information. Although we won't be able to host an in-person fair the craft & bake sale is online this year through:

www.facebook.com/stmarkbc

WHITE GIFT SUNDAY

We will still be accepting Gifts from Mon. November 30 to Thurs. December 3 from 9am to 12noon at the Church Office. Our Gifts will be picked up by the Salvation Army on Fri. December 4. For further information please contact the office.

The 8th Creation Care sponsored Metal Recycling Event

Thank you! Thank you to all who collected, sorted, loaded and unloaded an additional 3,078 lbs. of metal on Saturday Nov. 14 to keep it out of the landfill. My deep gratitude to Tom Chernoff for his untiring energy, expertise and the use of his truck at all of these events. Many thanks also to Louise & John Ritchie for their work including seconding their son's truck for this initiative. To the many others who contributed their time and considerable energy our thanks to: Ken Miles, Ann Thiessen, Phil Tubbs; Nick Timms; Don Boyd & all who literally "pitched in!"

Library use is suspended until further notice

CHRISTMAS STORY DRIVE THRU

Take a drive through the parking lot at Emmanuel Covenant Church, 16th Avenue and 170 Street. This is a family-friendly and COVID-safe Christmas experience! View a live nativity, sing along with carolers, and listen to the Christmas story on your radio as you enjoy light displays, holiday treats and hot chocolate. ONE NIGHT ONLY = Saturday, December 19, from 5:30 to 8:30pm

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

Anyone wishing to donate Flowers for the Sanctuary after please contact Kathryn of the Altar Guild at hkmasmith@shaw.ca or phone the office at 604.535.8841 and leave a message.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – If you wish the Intercessor to include the name of a loved one in Sunday’s prayers, please drop an email to the Office – Monday to Thursday – and the name will be forwarded to the Intercessor in time for Sunday’s Service. office@stmarkbc.org

PRAYER CHAIN – The Coordinator for the Prayer Chain is Lynne Hurd who can be reached at lynneh1@telus.net or at 604-542-2772. Please give your prayer requests and updates to Lynne who will forward them to the twenty men and women on the Prayer Chain to pray for your requests daily. Prayers are continued for two weeks or longer with updates as needed.

THE LUNCH BASKET for Hungry Children is provided this week by Cliff and Sheila Neyedli to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for family and grandchildren.

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN provides funding for lunches to five single Mothers and nine children. Please help support these families by choosing a 2021 date (see chart below) to support these families and have a dedication in the weekly E Pulse. email 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.

January 2021		February 2021		March 2021		April 2021	
3	Mari Anne and Roger Hussen	7		7		4	
10	Isabel Chernoff	14		14		11	
17	Robyn Kniel	21	Pauline Blachford	21		18	
24	Norma and Alan Marsh	28		28		25	
31	Pauline Blachford						

Next Sunday’s Service Morning Prayer The Psalm and Readings for the Second Sunday in Advent, November 6 are: Isaiah 40:1-II, Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13, 2 Peter 3:8-15a, Mark 1:1-8

THE PARISH PROFILE has been posted on the Diocesan website this past week. That means the Rector's position is now being advertised. The closing date is December 15. If anyone knows of someone they think should apply, please pass this on!
The link for the Parish Profile is below

<https://churchos-uploads.s3.amazonaws.com/2020/11/10/14/04/59/a44b5355-e511-4b6e-881e-e59d6e25a6d0/St.%20Mark%20-%20Ocean%20Park%20-%202020.11.06.pdf>

A QUICK LOOK AHEAD

- Sat. Dec. 5 5pm Men's Club Zoom Christmas Happy Hour
- VESTRY MEETING – is on Sunday, February 21, 2021

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

We hope to be able to offer the following services either in person, live streamed or online. They are sadly subject to change!

Sunday,	20th December 10.00am	Carol Service
Thursday,	24th December 7.00pm	First Eucharist of Christmas
Friday,	25th December 10.00am	Christmas Day Eucharist
Sunday,	27th December 10.00am	Morning Prayer

We will also be producing a pre-recorded Blue Christmas Service.

Advent Resources

Below are some Advent Resources that might be useful:

Diocese of New Westminster's own Advent Calendar:

<https://www.vancouver.anglican.ca/diocesan-resources/2020-advent>

PWRDF Advent and Christmas Resources:

<https://pwrdf.org/get-involved/advent2020/>

Making/Praying your own Advent Wreath:

<https://churchos-uploads.s3.amazonaws.com/2020/11/06/13/13/08/cd0bf2d1-8663-43ee-8483-eea89ccb5210/SHS%20-%20Advent%20Candle%20Lighting%20Leaflet%20.pdf>

Diocese of New Westminster Pinterest page for more Advent resources:

<https://www.pinterest.ca/dionewwest/advent/>