



## St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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### **E-PULSE** **NEWSLETTER OF** **ST. MARK OCEAN PARK** **SEPTEMBER 12, 2021**

#### **UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES**

**Church now open - no registration required.**

**Hand sanitizing and social distancing**  
**are encouraged.**

**Masks are Mandatory.**

- Wednesday, September 15 – 10am Service in the Outdoor Chapel, Weather Permitting  
Worshippers are encouraged to bring a blanket as the forest can be a little cool;  
For easy access to the Chapel, use the access that is near the Church Hall, drive your vehicle behind the Church, and park behind the Hall.
- Sunday, September 19 – 8am BCP Holy Communion & 10am BAS Holy Communion

#### **Mask Mandate**

Dr. Bonnie Henry, the Provincial Health Officer, has mandated that masks be worn in all public indoor spaces. In respect of all, the Parish of St Mark – Ocean Park will be requiring masks to be worn inside our facilities. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Reverend Billy's email** address is: [stmarks.op.rector@gmail.com](mailto:stmarks.op.rector@gmail.com)

People wishing to meet with Rev. Billy are directed to this email to make an appointment to see him. Those with no access to email can call the Church Office to make an appointment: 604.535.8841

**THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN** – is provided this week by Geoff and Heather Higginson to the Glory of God.

**FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR** - are given today to the Glory of God.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICES** – September 19 – Proverbs 31:10-31, Psalm 1, James 3:13-4:3, Mark 9:30-37

**WANT TO BE INCLUDED IN SUNDAY INTERCESSIONS?** If so please contact the Office at 604.535.8841 OR call or email Michael Klaver: 604.541.9598 [klaverfamily@shaw.ca](mailto:klaverfamily@shaw.ca)

**PRAYER CHAIN** – The Coordinator for the prayer chain for the months of September, October and November will be Maggie Ferguson who maybe reached at 604-538- 6160 or via email at [maggieferguson@telus.net](mailto:maggieferguson@telus.net). Please convey your requests to Maggie for inclusion on the prayer chain for two weeks or longer if you have updates.

**POSTER attached** regarding today's "virtual" Coffee Hour.

**PARISH LIFE** – If you are a child who wants to be Confirmed, or are an adult who wants to be Affirmed, please contact Reverend Billy: [stmarks.op.rector@gmail.com](mailto:stmarks.op.rector@gmail.com)

### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS**

Our Footsteps to Faith program (formerly known as Sunday School) is starting today, September 12. We need volunteers to run a safe and successful program. If you are interested in teaching or simply being a helper please contact Heather Higginson at [hmhigginson@gmail.com](mailto:hmhigginson@gmail.com)



### **Turn Trash into \$Cash\$** - keep it out of the landfill!

As part of our Baptismal Covenant "To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth"; St. Mark's will hold a **Metal Recycling Event** in late November.

Accepted items: all metal (please no large appliances nor heavy machinery)  
all electrical cord (yes, strings of Christmas/patio lights)  
metal lawn chairs etc.

Watch for Details: check with Anne Schreck Creation Care Ministry



\$250 raised from the First Fruit's Table by August 29 became **\$500** through the government matching scheme with the UNICEF GiveAVax programme. All contributions through the parish & marked PWRDF Vaccine Equity Fund or other PWRDF Missions are gratefully received.

The First Fruit's Garden Project will continue to the end of October as may be allowed by Health Regulations and as long as fruit, veg, flowers etc. arrive. Any remaining produce is enjoyed by either the women at a local shelter or men at a local addictions recovery centre. Thank you for continuing to share God's bounty with the hungry and those in need.

### **We continue to:**

- LIVE STREAMING our Sunday Worship.
- **To access the online Service:** Log onto the Church's website: [www.stmarkbc.org](http://www.stmarkbc.org) Go to the page that opens, click on where it says: "St. Mark Ocean Park Online Sunday Worship Services" alternatively you can use this link:  
[tinyurl.com/St-Mark-Online-Video-Channel](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W8dCqYrh-8E)  
**OR**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W8dCqYrh-8E>
- If you would like to watch or listen to **some of our older Services** you may go into the archives of your YouTube services through our Parish website at: [www.stmarkbc.org](http://www.stmarkbc.org)

**A QUICK LOOK AHEAD** Please e-mail the Church Office or [brian.walks@gmail.com](mailto:brian.walks@gmail.com) and we will add your event to the list of events. Double check with the Office to make sure the date and time that you want is available.

Tues. Sept. 14 2pm	ACW meeting; guest speaker Rev. Billy Isenor
Sat. Sept. 18 5:30 pm	Men's Club Annual Salmon Bar BQ.
Tues. Sept. 21 2pm	Ladies Guild; guest speaker Rev. Billy Isenor
Tue. Sept. 28 7 pm	Parish Council
Mon. Oct. 5 time t.b.a.	Pet Blessing
Sat. Oct. 9 10am	Coffee With Clergy
Tues. Oct. 12 2pm	ACW Meeting
Tue. Oct. 12 5:30 pm	Men's Club dinner meeting; guest speaker: Robert Gilchrist.
Tues. Oct. 19 2pm	Ladies Guild
Tue. Oct. 26 7 pm	Parish Council
Sat. Nov. 7 7:30pm	All Souls & All Saints Memorial Service
Tues. Nov. 9 2pm	ACW meeting
Tues. Nov. 9 6pm	Men's Club meeting; guest speaker Rev. Billy Isenor
Sat. Nov. 13 10am	Coffee With Clergy
Tues. Nov. 16 2pm	Ladies Guild meeting

**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.

September 19	Ann Thiessen
September 26	Betty-Ann Bainbridge

October 3	
October 10	Barb and Jamie Grantham
October 17	Jack and Pauline Blachford
October 24	
October 31	

**Thank you to those who have made donations for our flowers.**

Below are charts for June, July and August. If you would like to offer flowers for the sanctuary those months, in Memory of a Loved One, in Thanksgiving for a birthday or Anniversary we would very much appreciate it. The Altar Guild is willing to purchase the flowers and have them arranged.

Please contact Kathryn Smith at 604-560-1455 or e-mail [hkmasmith@shaw.ca](mailto:hkmasmith@shaw.ca)

September 19	
September 26	

October 3	Barb and Brian Walks
October 10	Hilda Smith
October 24	Janet Scott
October 31	



September 2nd, 2021

Invitation to  
PATHWAYS TO RECONCILIATION

Dear Parishioners,

Church of the Holy Trinity, White Rock and the Parish of St Mark-Ocean Park, announce a series of four gatherings to which you are invited.

Under the umbrella heading of “Pathways to Reconciliation”, each of the four gatherings is designed to raise awareness about the history of First Nations, Metis and Inuit and their relationship with Canada. It is also an opportunity to learn and participate in facilitated discussions about many complex issues with the aim of exploring paths towards reconciliation.

Over the summer months, representatives from Church of the the Holy Trinity and the Parish of St. Mark-Ocean Park, formed a planning committee which met several times to build content for the four gatherings. The committee members are:

- Kerry Baisley, Missioner for Indigenous Justice, Diocese of New Westminster
- Reverend Billy Isenor, Rector of the Parish of St. Mark-Ocean Park
- Reverend Wesley Hills, Priest-in-Charge, Church of the Holy Trinity
- Mari Anne Hussen, Peoples’ Warden at the Parish of St. Mark-Ocean Park
- Simon Johnston, Parish Council member, Church of the Holy Trinity

The schedule for the gatherings is as follows:

1. Saturday OCTOBER 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1:30-4:30pm at Church of the Holy Trinity  
Theme: “The Doctrine of Discovery” – a documentary video & discussion
2. Saturday FEBRUARY 5<sup>th</sup>, 1:30-4:30pm at Parish of St. Mark-Ocean Park  
Theme: “First Nations 101: tons of stuff you need to know about First Nations people”.  
Author Lynda Gray will attend to discuss her book, followed by a Q&A.
3. Saturday APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1:30-4:30pm at Church of the Holy Trinity  
Theme: “The Indian Act and Residential Schools” interactive discussion
4. Saturday JUNE 18<sup>th</sup>, 1:30-4:30pm at Parish of St. Mark-Ocean Park  
Theme: “The 94 Calls to Action and Resiliency” interactive discussion

These gatherings are free of charge and open to all. Attached is a flyer containing a schedule and other details about the first gathering. A new flyer will be issued one month in advance of the remaining events.

We do hope you will come and participate in these unique opportunities to listen, to learn and to explore pathways to reconciliation.

Sincerely,

Simon Johnston and Mari Anne Hussen, On behalf of the Planning Committee

**Church of The  
Holy Trinity**  
White Rock, BC Canada



The Anglican Church of Canada



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

INVITATION to PARTICIPATE  
in  
**PATHWAYS TO RECONCILIATION**

on  
**Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021**

from

**1:30pm – 4:30pm**

At

**Church of the Holy Trinity**  
15115 Roper Avenue (at Foster), White Rock, BC

Participants are welcome to wear orange shirts to show solidarity with Residential School survivors. Please visit <https://orangeshirtday.net> for more information.

**SCHEDULE**

1:00pm Doors open for the gathering.

1:30pm Welcome, Introductions and opening prayer

1:50pm **“The Doctrine of Discovery: Stolen Lands, Strong Hearts”**

This video documentary is one of the responses of the Anglican Church’s Primate’s Commission on discovery, reconciliation and justice. The purpose of the film is to respond to the calls to action by helping to provide education and insight into the racist foundations of our property and other laws still in existence today. You may pre-view the documentary video by clicking the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mQwkB1hn5E8>

3:00pm BREAK. Refreshments will be provided

3:20pm Discussion facilitated by Kerry Baisley, Diocesan Missioner for Indigenous Justice

4:30pm Closing Prayer and adjournment.

Please register your attendance by Email: [holytrinitywhiterock@telus.net](mailto:holytrinitywhiterock@telus.net) or  
By telephone: 604-531-0884 Monday – Friday 9am-Noon.

**Next gathering:** Saturday February 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm at the Parish of St. Mark-Ocean Park. Guest Speaker Lynda Gray will talk about her book “First Nations 101,” followed by a Q&A and book signings. Advance copies can be purchased at: <http://www.firstnations101.com>

**St Mark's Virtual Coffee Hour  
Second Sunday  
of the month @ 11 30 am**

Register in advance for this meeting: by emailing the office by Thursday the week preceding the Coffee hour or through the website before 11am Sunday.

After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the zoom Sacred Grounds Coffee Hour. If you registered once you are already registered for the following coffee hours.

