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E-PULSE NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

Church now open - no registration required.

Hand sanitizing and social distancing are encouraged.

Masks are Mandatory.

- Sunday, October 3 8am BCP Holy Communion & 10am BAS Holy Communion
- Please take note that Rev. Sue Foley-Currie will be leading the Holy Eucharist Service on Wednesday September 29 at 10am in the Church while Reverend Billy is in Alberta.

Mask Mandate

The BC Provincial Health Officer has mandated that masks be worn in all public indoor spaces. The Parish of St Mark – Ocean Park requires that masks be worn inside our facilities. Thank you for your cooperation.

<u>Thanksgiving is coming and the Altar Guild will be decorating the Church.</u> We need donations of fruit and vegetables. Please drop your contribution off at the Church the week of October 4th. Drop off will be in the Hall, on the two long wooden pews. The decorating of the Church will be done on Saturday morning. The produce will be donated to the Launching Pad, recovery home for men.

<u>PET BLESSING</u> will take place outside the Church, at 12noon on Sunday, October 3. Rev. Billy asks that people bring their pets to the Rose Garden/Serenity Garden area, and if it is raining, he asks that people bring their pets to the green doors at the front of the Church, where he will bless them.

COFFEE WITH CLERGY - Sat. Oct. 9 10am

This in-person event is a time to get to know your clergy while discussing various themes. The theme for October 9th is "High church, Low church, Anglo-Catholic, what does it all mean?" Rev. Billy asks that everyone meet in the Sanctuary and bring their own beverages in their own containers.

<u>PATHWAYS TO RECONCILIATION</u> - Less than two weeks to go before the first study group gathering on Sat. Oct. 2 at 1:30pm, co-hosted by the Church of the Holy Trinity and St. Mark-Ocean Park.

Thank you if you have already registered for this event. If not, please register your attendance by email: holytrinitywhiterock@telus.netOr, by telephone: 604-531-0884 Monday - Friday 9am-Noon. To review the original invitation, click this link: https://holytrinitywhiterock.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/2021-09-02-Pathways-to-Reconciliation.pdf

<u>Please note</u>, the Diocese of New Westminster considers this gathering a "study group". As such, we encourage only those who are vaccinated to attend. Masks are required throughout the gathering.

<u>THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN</u> – is provided this week by Betty-Ann and Ian Bainbridge to the Glory of God and in gratitude for the love of God, family and friends.

REVEREND BILLY'S EMAIL address is: 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

<u>FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR</u> - are given today by Alan and Norma Marsh with thanks to God for their many blessings and the gift of 60 years of marriage, celebrated on September 23 of this year.

<u>READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICES</u> – October 3 – Job 1:1, 2:1-10, Psalm 26, Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12, Mark 10:2-16

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

<u>PRAYER CHAIN</u> – 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 <u>maggieferguson@telus.net</u>. Please convey your requests to Maggie for inclusion on the prayer chain for two weeks or longer if you have updates.

<u>PARISH LIFE</u> - Adults and children who wish to be Baptised please contact Reverend Billy by email ... stmarks.op.rector@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Our Footsteps to Faith program (formerly known as Sunday School) started last week. 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

We continue LIVE STREAMING our Sunday Worship.

- <u>To access the online Service:</u> Log onto the Church's website: <u>www.stmarkbc.org</u> 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

OR

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W8dCqYrh-8E

 If you would like to watch or listen to <u>some of our older Services</u> you may go into the archives of your YouTube services through our Parish website at: <u>www.stmarkbc.org</u>

CONFIRMATION AND REAFFIRMATION CLASSES WILL BEGIN:

<u>For the Youth 12+</u> you are invited if you are wanting confirmation, pizza supper will be provided and we will meet in the Family Room. Please let Rev. Billy know of any food allergies.

The meetings will run 7 - 9 pm and the dates are:

October 8/21

November 12/21

December 10/21

January 14/22

February 11/22

March 11/22

April 8/22

May 13/22 - Wind up celebration

For the Adults we will meet at 7:30-9pm in the Family room. Coffee and snacks provided.

October 7/21 November 4/21 December 9/21 January 6/22 February 10/22 March 3/22 April 7/22

May 5/22 Wrap up party.

A QUICK LOOK AHEAD Please e-mail the Church Office or 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.

Pet Blessing outside the Church Sunday Oct. 3 12noon

Thurs. Oct. 7 7pm Forest Walk Committee Meeting with Anne Schreck

Sat. Oct. 9 10am Coffee With Clergy Sun. Oct. 10 11am Virtual Coffee Hour **ACW Meeting** Tues. Oct. 12 2pm

Tue. Oct. 12 5:30 pm Men's Club dinner meeting: guest speaker: Robert Gilchrist.

Tues. Oct. 19 2pm Ladies Guild

Fri. Oct. 22 7pm Movie Night for Youth (to be confirmed)

Tue. Oct. 26 7 pm Parish Council

Movie Night for Children & Families (to be confirmed) Fri. Oct. 29 6:30pm

All Souls & All Saints Memorial Service Sat. Nov. 6 7:30pm

ACW meeting Tues. Nov. 9 2pm

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 Sat. Nov. 20 9am drop off metal

Sat. Nov. 20 11am load metal and take to Depot

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.

Morny White			
Barb and Jamie Grantham			
Jack and Pauline Blachford			

November 7	
November 14	

November 21	
November 28	

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

Below are charts for October and November. 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

October 3	Barb and Brian Walks	
October 10	Hilda Smith	
October 17		
October 24	Janet Scott	
October 31		
November 7		
November 14		
November 21		
November 28		

PARISH OF ST. MARK - OCEAN PARK "OPERATING ACCOUNT" FINANCIAL STATUS AT AUGUST 31, 2021						
	Current Month		Adj Budget	Variance		
TOTAL INCOME	23,395.25	234,244.49	220,000.00	14,244.49		
TOTAL EXPENSES	30,364.21	206,600.75	220,000.00	13,399.25		
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ (6,968.96)	\$ 27,643.74	\$ - 5	27,643.74		