



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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E-PULSE NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK **NOVEMBER 28, 2021**

"HOW IS YOUR MINISTRY DOING TODAY?" All our Leaders, Ministry Coordinators, and Volunteers are such a blessing! Thank you for the incredible investment of time and energy that each one of you give to serving the Lord in leading this Parish. 🙏

AN EVENING WITH LUKE – Gather with Reverend Billy, in the Sanctuary, on the evening of Thursday, December 9, from 7:30 to 9:30 pm for a brief survey of Luke's motifs PLUS a reading of the entire Gospel, accompany by some music. Please bring your Bible. The event will be Live Streamed (www.stmarkbc.org) for those who prefer to participate from home.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY TIME Have you checked out the Parish of St. Mark Ocean Park's Children, Youth and Family time posted on our YouTube site each week? No? This week you might like to tune in and see Rev. Billy and Friends in the "Journey of Advent".



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICES – December 5 – Baruch 5:1-9, Canticle 19, Philippians 1:3-11, Luke 3:1-6



A further step in our commitment to God to "...safeguard the integrity of creation and to strive to sustain and renew the life of the earth." Well done and kudos to all who contributed to keep approx. 1 Ton of metal out of the Landfill. As neither the monies nor the weight of the last load have yet been tallied we shall certainly exceed the 1,723 lbs moved and the \$600+ earned to manage dead trees in St. Mark's forest. I am deeply grateful to all who provided transport & unloading at the depot especially: Brian (2 trips), Brenda & Ron, Alan, and Tom. Many thanks also to Ken, Gerrard, Sue and all those who collected metal and who literally pitched-in on site. – Anne Schreck, Creation Care Ministry

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

Hand sanitizing and social distancing are encouraged.

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.

- Sunday, December 5–8am BCP Holy Communion & 10am BAS Holy Communion
- Wednesday December 1 - 10am Eucharist Service

SAVY SENIORS – Advance notice for our Christmas Get Together—Wed. December 15, 1-3:30pm with a surprise musical performance to enhance our seasonal joy. There will be Christmas treats at tea, or coffee if you prefer, safely served, individually wrapped and all must be double vaccinated and wear masks when not seated! A collection will be accepted so that we can provide an honorarium to be presented to our performer. Please let me know if you plan to attend this event so we can adequately prepare! Blessings, Sue Indridson 604-531-4931 sinder@shaw.ca

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR THE REMAND CENTRE: The Men's Club will be collecting Christmas cards again this year for the Remand Centre, so those in custody can send Christmas cards to family. There will be a decorated box in the Hall to collect them. ***Deadline is THIS TUESDAY NOVEMBER 30.***

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN –We hope each and everyone of you wonderful blessings, enjoy everything. Never forget how much you are loved and thought about every day. The world is lucky to have you. Love from Aliyah, Elizabeth Darbyshire, and in loving memory of Ralph Darbyshire.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR are given today by the A.C.W. to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of past members and in Thanksgiving for all of our current members.

ORDER of the DIOCESE of NEW WESTMINSTER (ODNW) is to honour and give special recognition to lay members of the Diocese who have given outstanding service over a significant period of time in their volunteer ministry. The Investiture Service takes place every other year. Each parish is permitted to nominate one person every 2 years. To nominate a person please submit a paragraph of no more than 50 words to Rev. Billy stating why you wish to nominate this person by Sunday, December 12.

ACW NEWS - calendars are available after Church or from me (Kathryn 778-549-0858, or e-mail hkmasmith@shaw.ca). Price remains at \$8 each.

Financial Stewardship ... Please Pray and Consider

As we continue to navigate the pandemic while providing spiritual nourishment for our Church family, the financial needs of the Church continue. Therefore, please consider the following:

If you are already investing in St. Mark's...

Reflect on how your life has been enriched by the life of the community. When you have counted your blessings, then consider whether this is the time to increase your financial support.

If you haven't given in the last year...

Consider whether this is the year for you to make a financial commitment to support the ministries that we as Christ's disciples in this place undertake to proclaim the good news. When you have, then give as you are able.

If you are reviewing your Will...

Remember how this community has been upheld by the generous gifts of Parish members who have gone before us. Please make a provision for the Parish so that our ministry may continue in the decades ahead.

If you have questions about donating via Pre-Authorized Donation (PAD), the Electronic Donation Station (EDS), eTransfer or offering envelopes, please contact: Barbara Carington Smith by phone at 604-531-8436 or by email bacarington@gmail.com , or Brenda Horner by phone 604-535-6021 or by email bhenze@shaw.ca

For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you. 1 Chronicles 29:14

WE CONTINUE TO...

- LIVE STREAM our Sunday Worship.
- To access the online Service go to our Church's website: www.stmarkbc.org On the homepage that opens, click on the service's video, or where it says: "St Mark Online Worship Services".
- If you would like to watch or listen to some of our older services you may go into the YouTube archives through our Parish website www.stmarkbc.org and click on "St Mark Online Worship Services". Alternatively you can use these links: tinyurl.com/St-Mark-Online-Video-Channel OR https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHs8LO-SfLIO_iOFX3hJNg

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 maggi Ferguson@telus.net. Please convey your requests to Maggie for inclusion on the prayer chain for two weeks or longer if you have updates.

REVEREND BILLY'S EMAIL 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

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 lindaodee@hotmail.com 604-536-7983

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.

Wed. Dec. 1 1pm	Savvy Seniors
Fri. Dec. 3 7pm	YPOS Joy To The World – A Christmas Concert - SEE ATTACHED POSTER
Sat. Dec. 4	Decorate Christmas trees in the Hall
Thurs. Dec. 9	An Evening With Luke 7:30-9:30 pm – a brief survey of Luke’s motifs and a reading of the entire Gospel, accompanied with music. Bring your Bible.
Sat. Dec. 11 5:30pm	Men's Club Christmas dinner (by invitation)
Tues. Dec. 14 2pm	ACW Christmas
Wed. Dec. 15 1pm	Coffee With Clergy, Crescent Coffee House, Beecher Street
Wed. Dec. 15 1pm	Savvy Seniors

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.

December 5	Morny White
December 12	
December 19	
December 26	

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

Below is the chart for December. 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

December 5	Heather & Geoff Higginson
December 12	Brenda Horner
December 19	
December 26	Doris McKellar/Bea Ross

PARISH OF ST. MARK - OCEAN PARK " OPERATING ACCOUNT "				
FINANCIAL STATUS AT OCTOBER 31, 2021				
	Current Month	Year to Date	Adj Budget	Variance
TOTAL INCOME	24,081.75	283,438.24	275,000.00	8,438.24
TOTAL EXPENSES	34,308.35	270,797.50	275,000.00	4,202.50
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ (10,226.60)	\$ 12,640.74	\$ -	\$ 12,640.74

YPOSBC

Young People's Opera Society of BC

presents

Joy to the World

Voices, Brass, Piano and More!

Friday, December 3 ❄️ 7:00pm

with the St. Mark's choir

St Mark Ocean Park, 12953 20th Avenue, Surrey

Saturday, December 4 ❄️ 7:00pm*

*This concert will also be available for live-streaming

Sunday, December 5 ❄️ 2:30pm

Trinity Lutheran Church, 11040 River Road, Delta

Tickets at [EVENTBRITE.ca](https://www.eventbrite.ca)

info@yposbc.org

Proof of vaccinations and masks required for all live performances