



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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E-PULSE NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK **JUNE 5, 2022**

Wednesday, June 8 – there is a 10am Service.

Library News

Terri Blackstock's After Math is another can't put it down novel. There is a devastating explosion at a band concert. Explosives found in the trunk of a hero's car, and an attorney who will risk all for a childhood friend. All the ingredients for a real page turner.



You are all welcome to the **Worthy Disciples June BBQ event**, Saturday, June 11, 12noon to 4pm, please **RSVP to Sarah at** office@stmarkbc.org.

Thank you to those who have already signed up to help. We need some more help from our parish family. I have provided a formal sign-up sheet listing what we still need help with. Please see me, Sarah in the Church Hall after service to sign up. Or you can email Sarah at office@stmarkbc.org

Thank you to all of those who have stepped up to be a part of the Safe Adult program to support our Worthy Disciples. Our Youth Group wouldn't be possible without your support. If you would like to be a part of this program please reach out to Sarah, at office@stmarkbc.org

As you may know, the Worthy Disciples have an on-going refundables fundraiser. Look for our blue bin in the Church Hall to donate! Thank you!!

At the June 11 BBQ event the ACW will be selling raffle tickets for baskets packed with many lovely things, and there will be a silent auction component, too.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY June 12 – Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31, Psalm 8, Romans 5:1-5, John 16:12-15

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

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR – are provided this week by Doug and Joy French to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for 74 years of marriage today.

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN – is provided by Irene Snow “in honour of my beloved husband ‘Bill’.”

St Mark's Family, Youth and Children's Time

- June 5, 2022 - Genesis 11:1-9 - The Tower of Babel
- June 12, 2022 - John 16:12-15 - God's Holy Cell Phone
- June 19, 2022 - Luke 8:26-39 - Use your words
- June 26, 2022 - Luke 9:51-62 - Follow Jesus

Subscribe to our youtube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHs8LO-SfLI0_i0FX3hJNg or follow the link from our webpage. <http://stmarkbc.org/>

SAVVY SENIORS Get Together with chat, bridge and Rummicube in the Parish Hall Wednesday June 8 from 1pm-3:30pm. Contact: Sue Indridson sinder@shaw.ca 604-531-4931

PRAYER CHAIN – The Coordinator for the prayer chain for June, July and August is Michael Weller who can be reached at 604.538.9334 or at weller301@shaw.ca

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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHs8LO-SfLI0_i0FX3hJNg) OR https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHs8LO-SfLI0_i0FX3hJNg

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE MADE DONATIONS FOR OUR FLOWERS

If you would like to have flowers on the Altar in May or June, please see the chart below.

The Altar Guild is willing to purchase the flowers and have them arranged. Please contact Kathryn Smith: 604-560-1455 or e-mail hkmasmith@shaw.ca

June 12	Brian and Gillian Jones
June 19	
June 26	

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN provides funding for lunches to nine single mothers and 17 children. Please help support these families by choosing a 2022 date (see chart below) to support these families and have a dedication in the weekly Pulse. The suggested donation of \$70 can be made by e-transfer, the Donation Station, or by dropping off a cheque in the mailbox at the church office. email or phone Darlene W. or Barb G. with your dedication.

June 12	Les and Jean Edmonds
June 19	Barb and Jamie Grantham.
June 26	Ian and Betty-Ann Bainbridge
July 3	Ann Thiessen
July 10	Elli Mitchell and Nick Timms



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June 1, 2022

RE: Reintroducing the Holy Cup at Eucharist, Communion Rails, and future revisions for our Order of Service bulletins

Grace and peace to you in our Lord Jesus Christ,

This Sunday, June 5, is Pentecost Sunday and we will be instituting again the Holy Cup at Eucharist along with the use of communion rails. There have been some questions regarding how to receive the Blood of Christ. The Rt. Rev. John Stephens issued a pastoral letter regarding intinction (dipping the body of Christ wafer into the Blood of Christ, wine), which is not our practice in the Diocese of New Westminster and I agree wholeheartedly. To review his letter it could be accessed here:

<https://www.vancouver.anglican.ca/news/pastoral-letter-from-the-right-reverend-john-stephens-regarding-march-10ths-phos-orders>

The reasons are many but it is not hygienically safe to do this and it contaminates the wine with bread elements, which would exclude those who have gluten sensitivities from receiving the cup. Therefore, we will follow the pastoral sensibilities of our chief pastor on this subject to reduce hygiene issues. Secondly, if you are uncomfortable receiving the cup when it is brought to you by the communion minister, you simply touch the base of the chalice as a sign of reverence.

Additionally, in the days to come we will have our prayer books put back into the pews. One of the things I have noticed, particularly at the 10am service, is that our order of service is unacceptably large. We need to reduce our environmental footprint as well as the cost of copying so many pages in the bulletin. We will reintroduce and start using our prayer books in the weeks to come with a more condensed order of service bulletin as a result.

Pax et Bonum!

The Rev. Billy Isenor, OSF+



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Pathways to Reconciliation #4 Invitation

Dear St. Mark Ocean Park Parishioners,

Co-sponsored by Church of the Holy Trinity and St. Mark Ocean Park we have completed three of four study groups in the series 'Pathways to Reconciliation'. The program is designed to explore the history of First Nations, Metis and Inuit and their relationship with Canada. Last October we discussed the Anglican Church of Canada's video: "The Doctrine of Discovery – Stolen Lands, Strong Hearts". In March, we listened to Lynda Gray discuss her book "First Nations 101: lots of stuff you need to know about First Nations people". On April 2nd, we reviewed "The Indian Act and Residential Schools." Our **fourth gathering** will be on:

**Saturday June 18th, at
St. Mark Ocean Park from
1:30-4:30pm
This event is free of charge.**

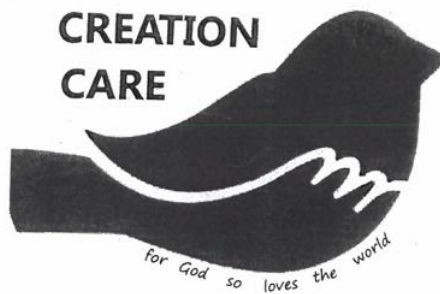
The theme on Sat. June 18 is "Resilience and how we can move forward." The Truth and Reconciliation Commission's report of 2015 listed 94 Calls to Action. We will learn (i) how many of these recommendations have been completed, (ii) how many are in process, and (iii) how many have not begun. We will also focus on the Calls to Action #58 - #61 that specifically invite churches and religious organizations to participate in the process of healing. How has the Anglican Church, both nationally and locally, faced these challenges?

For a full list of the 94 calls to Action please go to:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/british-columbians-our-governments/indigenous-people/aboriginal-peoples-documents/calls_to_action_english2.pdf

You are invited to register your attendance by calling your Parish Office as soon as possible: St. Mark Ocean Park 604.535.8841, Church of the Holy Trinity 604-531-0884
Or you may email: office@stmarkbc.org or, holytrinitywhiterock@telus.net

We look forward to seeing you. Sincerely,
Simon Johnston...on behalf of the Planning Committee:
Reverend Billy Isenor; Mari Anne Hussen; Kerry Baisley



The Parish Creation Care Ministry

***"Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation,
and respect, sustain, and renew the life of the Earth?"***

In 2013 after 3 years of discussion at General Synod; this vow was added to the Baptismal Rite in the Book of Alternative Services. The wording was adopted from one of the 5 Marks of Mission in the Worldwide Anglican Church.

In May 2015 a motion was passed by St. Mark's Parish Council to transform the role of "Environmental Steward" on Council to establish a *Creation Care Ministry*. The goals of this Ministry would be to encourage all parishioners to live out their Baptismal vow.

Our aims would be:

- 1) to reduce as much as possible anything going into the landfill
- 2) to optimally manage the 3+ acre site of The parish of St. Mark including its many gardens, forest, and structures
- 3) to reduce the cost and improve the efficiency of light, heat, water & paper used in the complex of the church proper, the Education Centre, Parish Hall & Office
- 4) to engage the members of the parish and of the local community in environmentally friendly education and activities.

Under the "Environmental Stewards" 2 compost bins were begun on site to reduce wet waste at a time when the City had not yet developed its recycling initiatives. A bicycle rack was installed to encourage an alternate mode of transport, and B.C. Hydro did an energy audit of the building. Much has **evolved** in this Ministry since 2015 so watch for more to come.

Check out the Creation Care display on the South Wall of the Parish Hall after each service and watch for donated garden produce, seedlings, flowers, etc. as the growing season progresses. Matching donations up to \$500,000.00 will equip the worldwide vaccine programmes long operated by UNICEF to distribute COVID 19 vaccines in poorer countries.

Co-ordinator: Anne Schreck (604-536-0072)