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# E-PULSE NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK JULY 17, 2022

# PRAYER CORNER - JULY 17, 2022

"Jesus called the children to him and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Luke 18:16

We give thanks for Victoria Finley and Heather Higginson. Bless them, Father, for their faithful service to children through our Sunday School program. Through the sharing of their time and talents they have helped children come to know you and your beloved son, our Saviour, Jesus. Holy Spirit, we ask that you protect and grow the seeds of faith that have been planted.

We pray for the next leader(s) for our Sunday School. Holy Spirit, inspire their heart(s) with a devotion to Jesus and the children He is calling. Father, make known Your chosen one(s) and remove all obstacles from their path to ministry.

Holy Spirit, teach each of us to receive the kingdom of God like a little child – and - grow the number of children that our parish reaches with the good news of Jesus.

<u>Worthy Disciples Youth Group</u> would like to thank everyone who came to our June BBQ and to let you know that we raised \$127.50 from refundables and donations on the day!! Thank you very much, for your ongoing support of our youth group! Our refundables fundraiser is on-going; just look for our blue bin in the Church Hall!! If you have many refundables, please contact Sarah at <a href="mailto:offic@stmarkbc.org">offic@stmarkbc.org</a> and arrangements can be made.

We are still inviting Parish members to join our Safe Adult program. This program supports our youth group, by assuring we have 2 adults at every meeting. If you are interested, please reach out to Sarah at <a href="mailto:office@stmarkbc.org">office@stmarkbc.org</a> for more information.

Worthy Disciples Youth Group, is from ages 10 and up; we meet weekly on Fridays from 7pm to 9pm. Please check the church calendar for upcoming events and activities for the youth! Summer is in full swing! And we invite Summer guests to join us! If you have grandchildren/or cousins in town and they would like to come and join us they are most welcome! – Sarah Autio

<u>SAVVY SENIORS Get Together</u> with chat, bridge and Rummicube in the Parish Hall Wednesday July 20 from 1pm-3:30pm. Contact: Sue Indridson <u>sinder@shaw.ca</u> 604-531-4931

<u>The St. Mark's Ladies Guild</u> is pleased to announce the recipients of this year's bursary. We received two excellent applications which so impressed our members they voted to award two full bursaries this year.

The recipients are Benjamin Schmidt and Aliyah Darbyshire. Benjamin will be attending Trinity Western University in the fall to take a full time elementary education degree program and Aliyah will be attending the University of the Fraser Valley to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Business, prior to earning her pilots license and becoming a commercial pilot.

We congratulate both of them.

<u>READINGS FOR SUNDAY July 24</u> – Reverend Sue-Foley Currie Presiding/Preaching – Hosea 1:2-10, Psalm 85, Colossians 2:6-19, Luke 11: 1-13

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>THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN</u> –is provided this week by Brenda Horner and Ron Henze to the Glory of God and in celebration of our marriage 21 years ago here at St. Mark Ocean Park.

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



# We could use your help ...please

For the past 2 years we have experienced a very wet spring followed by an increasingly hot dry summerfall. This year has set records for the amount of rainfall in the prolonged 'spring'. What that means is that the excessive growth during the spring has turned to a magnified 'fire load" in the back forest during the following hot dry spell.

Even now, where the forest floor covering was 6 inches tall it is 4-5 feet tall & could pose a very high fire risk later in the season. *We would welcome your help* in reducing the fire load and improving the safety of the forest, the buildings at St. Mark's and the safety of our neighbours.

Tuesday Morning Work Party: 9am-12noon each week (March thru October)

Come as you are able and leave as you need. There are always smaller lighter jobs like:

- deadheading roses, rhodos, geraniums
- weeding any of the 4 garden beds
- clearing forest debris & undergrowth
- 2 larger jobs with which we could use help:
  - pruning the boxwood hedge in the Memorial Garden
  - weed eating smaller areas around the veg. garden area

We welcome you so come as you are able and leave as you need! We have tools & gloves, interesting conversation, useful tips on almost anything, laughter, fresh air, exercise & a coffee break ~ 10:30am

Contact: Anne Schreck 604 - 536 - 0072 anne schreck@shaw.ca

<u>WE CONTINUE TO...</u> LIVE STREAM our Sunday Worship. To access the online Service go to our Church's website: <a href="www.stmarkbc.org">www.stmarkbc.org</a> 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 <a href="www.stmarkbc.org">www.stmarkbc.org</a> and click on "St Mark Online Worship Services". Alternatively you can use these links: <a href="tinyurl.com/St-Mark-Online-Video-Channel">tinyurl.com/St-Mark-Online-Video-Channel</a> OR <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHs8LO-SfLIO\_iOFX3hJNg">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHs8LO-SfLIO\_iOFX3hJNg</a>

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

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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 <u>dedication</u>.

July 24	Irene Snow
July 31	Darlene & Gary Wiegand
August 7	
August 14	
August 21	
August 28	

### THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE MADE DONATIONS FOR OUR FLOWERS

If you would like to have flowers on the Altar, 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

July 24	
July 31	
August 7	
August 14	
August 21	
August 28	