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E-PULSE NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK AUGUST 14. 2022

Prayer Corner August 14, 2022

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

We give thanks for the leaders you, Lord, have provided:

- Our Parish Council and Trustees,
- The chairperson(s) of our active ministries including but not limited to Music, Altar Guild, Children & Youth, Savvy Seniors, Community Outreach, Creation Care
- Rev. Sue Foley-Currie and Rev. Stephen Laskey, who will be shepherding us until our new rector arrives
- ♣ Bishop John Stephens who guides our diocese.

Give them wisdom and stretch their time as they do the work you have called them to.

Holy Spirit, bind us together with patience, perseverance, faith and love as we support one another and continue the good work you have planned for us.

St. Mark's Annual Salmon Barbeque - Saturday, September 10 at 5:30pm

Tickets will be available for purchase at a later date. Inside & Outside seating will be available. Children under the age of 12 are free. There will be prizes, a wonderful dinner, and comradeship. If you would like to help with this Parish event please contact John Finley by email johnffinley@hotmail.com or telephone: 604-835-5990

<u>Worthy Disciples Youth Group</u> meets every Friday from 7pm to 9pm. All are welcome ages 10 plus. See the church calendar on-line for upcoming events and activities. Please email <u>office@stmarkbc.org</u> if you are new and would like to attend. We are still accepting Safe Adults to help support our Worthy Disciples. For more information please email <u>office@stmarkbc.org</u>.

<u>SAVVY SENIORS Get Together</u> with chat, bridge and Rummicube in the Parish Hall Wednesday August 17 from 1pm-3:30pm. Contact: Sue Indridson <u>sinder@shaw.ca</u> 604-531-4931

<u>READINGS FOR SUNDAY August 21</u> – Reverend Stephen Laskey Presiding/Preaching – Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6, Hebrews 12:18-29, Luke 13:22-30

<u>WANT TO BE INCLUDED IN SUNDAY INTERCESSIONS?</u> If so please contact the Office at 604.535.8841 OR call or email Michael Klaver: 778.386.1973 klaverfamily@shaw.ca

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

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

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

Please be attentive to Recycling Guidelines at St. Marks

The City of Surrey offers an extensive recycling service for which the Parish pays. The City is, however, strict in users following these guidelines. Inspectors do check bins and each bin is micro-chipped. Please help St. Mark's to adhere to these rules to maintain this service & the commitment of each of us to care for restoring & renewing the earth. If in doubt, check the full listing on the Creation Care board in the hall or on the inside of the door in the kitchen adjacent the freezer.

Most common errors:

- plastic bags can only be recycled at Depots,
- plastic bags, saran, cellophane, Garbage : black bin

Of Note: one "baggie" mistakenly in Blue bin; warrants a warning. Two warnings & the City can terminate service

- paper towels & serviettes go in green bin
- green bin contents enter the food chain
- Please; floral oasis goes in black bin

Please ask if you need help. Each group is responsible for correctly caring for its own waste.

<u>WE CONTINUE TO...</u> LIVE STREAM our Sunday Worship. To access the online Service go to our Church's website: <u>www.stmarkbc.org</u> 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 <u>www.stmarkbc.org</u> and click on "St Mark Online Worship Services". Alternatively you can use these links: <u>tinyurl.com/St-Mark-Online-Video-Channel</u> OR https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHs8LO-SfLIO iOFX3hJNg

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN – is provided this week to the Glory of God and with thanksgiving for all His many blessings.

CREATION

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

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- 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

The Church Office will be closed on Thursday afternoon (August 11) and will close at 11am on Friday (August 12).

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.

August 21	Betty-Ann and Ian Bainbridge
August 28	Leslie Ann and Chris Hebb
September 4	
September 11	
September 18	
September 25	

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

August 21	Douglas and Pamela Brown
August 28	
September 4	
September 11	
September 18	
September 25	