



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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E-PULSE **NEWSLETTER OF** **ST. MARK OCEAN PARK** **OCTOBER 16, 2022**

Prayer Corner October 16, 2022

“Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.”
- Luke 18:1

O Great and Glorious God, we are blessed to be among your people of the new covenant in Christ. We open our whole selves, minds – bodies – souls to know you deeply. We acknowledge that you are more majestic, beautiful, powerful and loving than we are capable of fully knowing. It is only as you reveal yourself and live in us through The Holy Spirit that we can know you and be your witnesses.

Thank you for revealing yourself to us through the big book of nature, the precious book of The Bible, the Living Word – Christ Jesus. We open our minds and hearts for The Holy Spirit to write your law of love and justice on them. We desire to live wisely and joyfully in witness to the truth of who you are and who your people were created to be that your kingdom might more fully come.

You know that St. Mark Ocean Park is in a season of transition. Thank you for the Rev. Stephen Laskey who is shepherding us as we search and wait for our next rector. Thank you for our Trustees and Parish Council and all who lead ministries of worship, fellowship, study and outreach. Gift them with faith and vision and energy and wisdom just as you did Moses and Peter, Esther and Mary. Bind all of us at St. Marks together in faith and love and charity. Prepare us to welcome others into the body of Christ. May we be faithful and devoted to you, to each other and to your kingdom as we walk with you into the future you have planned for us.

MEETING FOR EUCHARISTIC SERVERS - A meeting of the Eucharistic Servers will take place on Saturday, October 22nd at 10am. Please RSVP to Steve, our Priest-in-Charge by email at PinCStephenLaskey@outlook.com or to the office.

For those who are unable to make it, a second time for training and conversation about this ministry will be arranged for a time shortly afterwards.

POTLUCK LUNCHES are scheduled for October 23 and November 27 after the 10 am service. Please bring something to share such as a plate of sandwiches or a pot of soup or some other hot dish. If you are not comfortable sharing food please simply bring your own lunch and join us at the table. Hope to see you there.

LADIES GUILD MEETING - Tuesday, October 18 at 2pm in the Family Room.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY ON OCTOBER 23 – Joel 2:23-32, Psalm 65, 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18, Luke 18:9-14

FLOWER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

I have been co-ordinating the flower ministry for the last few months and currently have 5 volunteers, including myself. We would really appreciate a few more volunteers to help when one of us are sick or on vacation. If you would like more information regarding this simple outreach opportunity please contact me at lindaodee@hotmail.com OR 604.536.7983 – Linda O'Donovan

OFFERING UPDATE

Last week we shared with gratitude the four ways to give to St. Mark Ocean Park. The generosity of all members of our church family is always appreciated, and financial gifts are acknowledged along with a tax receipt shortly after the end of each year.

For the sake of new members, or for those who wish a refresher, over the next few weeks we will provide details about each of our offering methods. Our preferred method of giving is by Pre-Authorized Donation (PAD), which is a direct debit from your bank account or credit card, similar to those offered by many businesses or organizations. PAD provides many benefits for the donor – e.g., convenience (no need to write cheques, access cash or send eTransfers) and perks (the option to give by credit card to accumulate points). PAD is the preferred method for the church due to its efficiency (donations are consistent and predictable which provides stability and security for the church's finances); and savings (reduced borrowing costs and staff time). The program is administered by the Diocese and withdrawals are made on the 15th of each month.

For further information or to download a PAD application, please visit the St. Mark's website, or contact Brenda Horner (Donation Secretary) at bhenze@shaw.ca, or contact the church office.

"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

***** **PLEASE SEE THE FINAL PAGE for the AUGUST FINANCIALS*******

ST. MARK'S YOUTH GROUP welcomes youth ages 10 to 16 Friday evenings here 7-9pm. Come for fellowship, activities and connection. St Mark's Youth Group now has an Instagram page! You can find us under "St Mark's Youth Group". We will post updates on events and activities here as well as the Church calendar and FaceBook.

Please connect with Sarah via yministryrsvp@gmail.com if you would like to join us.

St Mark's Youth Ministry is welcoming all who are interested in the Safe Adult program. Please reach out to Sarah, via yministryrsvp@gmail.com for more information.

UPDATE! St Mark's Youth is hosting a DYM event! Saturday, October 29th 5-8pm see attached poster.

SAVVY SENIORS Get Together with chat, bridge and Rummicube in the Parish Hall this **Wednesday October 19**, from 1pm-3:30pm. Contact: Sue Indridson sinder@shaw.ca 604-531-4931

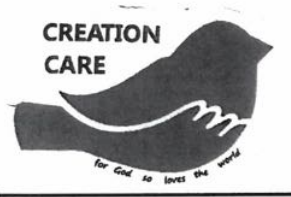
FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR - are given by Hilda Smith in Loving memory of her husband Leslie and her son Derrick.

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN - is provided this week by Shannon & Jeff Poulsen in thanksgiving and joy for the lives of family and friends, and particularly the birth of their daughter Laura Eileen. Thanks be to God forever.



LIBRARY NEWS

Book four of Jerusalem Road has just arrived in the library. If you are an **Angela Hunt** fan you will not want to miss **The Apostle's Sister**. Aya reluctantly marries a Torah student, and expects a boring life. Instead, she finds that she is fascinated by her husband's studies. What happens when her brother makes a life altering decision? Can she stay true to her beliefs?



For the Love of God Turn Trash into Cash & Keep it out of the Landfill!!

Saturday, November 19 from 9-11am; Drop off behind the church.
From 11am to 12noon load & transport to depot.

Check out the Creation Care Table (south wall of Hall) re-use-ables, ideas, & questions. All gauge/length of wire. Christmas lights etc. Please no major appliances.

2-3 pick-ups, vans or trailers required; All volunteers Welcome. Please - no early drop-offs without prior arrangement. (Anne sSchreck 604-536-0072)



The First Fruits Garden Table Will Continue until October 30

Thank you for your generous donations of fruit, veg, windfalls, flowers, bulbs etc, to continue our support for COVID vaccinations for poorer countries through the UNICEF Vaccinations World Wide system, including all ages.

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.

October 23	Joy Prior
October 30	Shelley Bosetti-Piche
November 6	Elli Mitchell & Nick Timms
November 13	
November 20	
November 27	

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

October 23	Janet Scott
October 30	Victoria Finley
November 6	
November 13	
November 20	Shirley Parel
November 27	



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

PRAYER CHAIN – The Coordinator for the prayer chain is Lynne Hurd at lynneh1@telus.net or you may phone at 604.542.2772.

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

Subscribe to our youtube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHs8LO-SfLIO_i0FX3hJNg or follow the link from our webpage. <http://stmarkbc.org/>

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_i0FX3hJNg

How To Reach Reverend Stephen Laskey - Please use the following email address to contact Reverend Laskey: PinCStephenLaskey@outlook.com Also, you can call him at the Church Office (604.535.8841). If your call goes to voicemail, leave a message and your telephone number for Reverend Laskey. He will check voicemail messages and will return your call.

PARISH OF ST. MARK - OCEAN PARK " OPERATING ACCOUNT "				
FINANCIAL STATUS AT August 31, 2022				
	Current Month	Year to Date	YTD Budget	Variance
TOTAL INCOME	20,734.34	197,995.78	204,250.00	(6,254.22)
TOTAL EXPENSES	31,248.90	262,796.11	204,250.00	(58,546.11)
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ (10,514.56)	\$ (64,800.33)	\$ -	\$(64,800.33)

Please Join Us For An

ALL SAINTS YOUTH EVENT

YOUTH AGES 10 TO 18

ST MARK'S OCEAN PARK
12953 20TH AVE SURREY BC
V4A 131

Saturday, October 29th 5-8pm

PIZZA, GAMES, CRAFTS, WORSHIP
PUMPKIN CARVING, FELLOWSHIP!

PLEASE RSVP BY OCT 21ST TO
YMINISTRYRSVP@GMAIL.COM

