

Celebrant: The Rev'd. Dr. Marilyn Hames
Preacher: The Rev'd. Canon Dr. Harold Munn

DATES TO NOTE

Fri. Apr. 6	Photo Directory, afternoon and evening, Fireside Room
Sat. Apr. 7	Photo Directory, all day, Fireside Room
Sun. Apr. 8	Men's Breakfast, 8:30 am, Gymnasium
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Sun. Apr. 8	The Bach Project II Concert, 4:00 pm, Church
Mon. Apr. 9	Jones Girls, 12:00 pm, Fireside Room
Mon. Apr. 9	Outreach Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm, Upstairs Meeting Room
Tues. Apr. 10	Senior's Café, 10:00 am, Fireside Room
Wed. Apr. 11	Easter Speaker Series, 7:00 pm, Fireside Room
Thurs. Apr. 12	Photo Directory, afternoon, Fireside Room
Fri. Apr. 13	Photo Directory, afternoon, Fireside Room
Wed. Apr. 18	Easter Speaker Series, 7:00 pm, Fireside Room
Sat. Apr. 21	Trivia Night, 7:00 pm, Fireside Room
Wed. Apr. 25	Easter Speaker Series, 7:00 pm, Fireside Room
Sat. Apr. 28	Spring Rummage Sale, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Sat. Apr. 28	Board game night, 6:00 pm, Fireside Room
Sun. Apr. 29	Music Concert, 4:00 pm, Church

SERMONS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE

An audio recording of last week's sermon is available on our website. To access the audio file, please go to our website: <http://www.stpdunbar.com> and click on the heading "Sermons" on the top right of the screen. Thanks to Craig Wilson for arranging this.

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS WANTED

The Church School is actively recruiting new teachers. If you feel called to this ministry, training will be provided. Please speak with Deb Hamilton if you are interested.

FOOD BANK SUNDAY

A reminder that Food Bank Sunday is today, as is customary on the first Sunday of each month. Always welcome are: cash donations in clearly marked envelopes; food donations such as nut butters, canned fruit, rice and grains, pulses (lentils, beans, legumes) , whole grain cereals, pastas, pasta sauces, canned fish and meats. Our collected food donations are securely stored on site until 10 Food Bank boxes have been filled; these are then picked up by a Food Bank truck and brought to their distribution center. Many thanks for your contributions.



EASTER SPEAKER SERIES "EXPERIENCING THE RESURRECTION"

The Easter speaker series will run four Wednesdays from April 11th to May 2nd at 7 pm in the Fireside Room.

April 11 Michael Murray: "Resurrection Music from 1199 to today".

April 18: Harry Maier, Professor of New Testament, VST "Raised on the third day: The Resurrection of Jesus in the Early Church and Today".

Paul said, "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.... If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be

pitied (1 Cor. 15.17,19). But what did the earliest followers of Jesus mean when they confessed Jesus was raised from the dead? What do we in the 21st century mean when we profess the resurrection of Jesus? Is it a metaphor, a symbol, an allegory, a scientific fact, a historical event, all of these things, or none of them? This talk invites us to explore what early Christians believed and ways they might teach us how to believe today. In the end, we will see that our lives indeed do depend on the resurrection, but not in the way many of us may at first think.

April 25: Michael Murray: "Bach and Handel - a Resurrection Comparison".

May 2: The Rev. Alasdair Smith: "Resurrection in Politics and Public life".

MARY MAGDALENE - A HISTORICAL AND ARTISTIC JOURNEY

On May 9th at 7 pm, The Rev'd Dr. Marilyn Hames will give a presentation on "Mary Magdalene —a historical and artistic journey". Mary Magdalene has had quite the journey that took her from being regarded by the Church as the First Apostle, to a common whore, to the reformed sinner par extraordinaire, to everywoman/everyman, and recently being recognized and restored to the title 'Apostle to the Apostles'.

BACH PROJECT II CONCERT

Join us at 4 pm on Sunday, April 8 for the next chapter in the Bach Project Concerts. The Josquin Singers and The Josquin Players are an ensemble of musicians that Michael Murray has put together to enrich the concert series at St. Philip's. The group is made up of professional singers and players. We will be presenting Contata No.4 "Christ Lay in the Bonds of Death" by J.S. Bach, music by Palestrina, Josquin and Tallis. Entrance is by donation. Suggested donation is \$20. A tax receipt will be issued for donations above \$20.

REFUGEE NEWS

The application for our sponsorship of Lama and her four children is still in process at the Canadian Visa Office in Beirut. In early February the Visa Office requested that Lama provide a death certificate for her late husband. This seems to be impossible. Recently, with a lot of input from Lama and her family, and much very helpful advice from the Diocesan Refugee Unit, an explanation with some documentation was submitted to the Visa Office. We are hoping for a favourable response from them soon.

We estimate that we will need \$40,000 for the basic support of Lama and her children for one year. So far we have \$32, 660.

The applications for the sponsorship of Lama's parents and brother are also in process at the Canadian Visa Office in Beirut. These were submitted about 7 months later than Lama's application. Not surprisingly, they have not been contacted for interviews yet. We have received \$10,000 from the Lear family for support of the parents. \$5000 for the parents and brother were pledged by St. Faith's parish. This is a good start for this part of the sponsorship, so donations coming in, unless otherwise specified, will be allocated to the \$40,000 for Lama and children.

If you wish to donate to the Refugee Fund, please make cheques payable to St. Philip's with "Refugee Fund" on the envelope as well as on the memo line.

For more information, please contact Mary Lymburner, 778-898-5117, or kmarylumburner@telus.net

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's breakfast is April 8th. All men welcome.



SENIORS CAFÉ RETURNS THIS SPRING!

Seniors Café will continue once a month on the second Tuesday of the month. Spring dates are April 10, May 8, and June 12. Bring a friend and join us in the Fireside Room from 10:00 am to Noon for friendly conversation, refreshments, and table-top activities. Bring a friend or a neighbour – everyone is welcome.

FUNDING FOR SENIORS CAFÉ

A special fund for Seniors Café has now been designated. Parishioners and community members wishing to make donations may contribute by specifically naming Seniors Café when making a donation. We welcome contributions to a program that provides important social connections both for parishioners and for the Dunbar community. Other funding options are also being explored with the hope that we can return to making Seniors Café a bi-weekly event.

CONVERSATIONS ABOUT CARING: SUPPORTING OUR SENIORS

On Thursday April 19th from 2:00pm to 4:00pm, please join the Pastoral Care Team for a workshop on senior support services, with particular emphasis on Advance Care Planning (ACP). The Rev'd Christine Wilson, Care Advocate from the Community Pastoral Resource Centre at St. Faith's, will lead the workshop in the Fireside Room.

Advance Care Planning is designed to help prepare for future health and personal care decisions. Learn about ACP options, increase comfort to discuss ACP with family and health-care providers and increase awareness of

available resources including Representation Agreements, Advance Directives and Power of Attorney. Christine will also describe the work of the Community Pastoral Resource Centre and provide information about resources to support seniors, including financial matters, government assistance, housing, rental assistance, in home care, transportation, health and well-being.



BROCK HOUSE- KERRISDALE HANDBELL RINGERS CONCERT

The Brock House-Kerrisdale Handbell Ringers spring concert will be at 2 pm on Sunday, April 8th at the Kerrisdale Senior's Centre, located at 42nd Avenue and West Boulevard (in the Kerrisdale Community Centre). There will be refreshments served after the concert.

RUMMAGE SALE!

It's not too soon to think about helping with the Rummage Sale, happening on April 28! This year, in addition to the preparations done during the daytime, we are offering the opportunity for you to come and help on two evenings between 5pm and 8:30pm: Wednesday, April 25 and Thursday, April 26

We hope that this provides a time for parishioners who are unable to help during the day, but would love to be part of this team and fellowship opportunity. More to come! **Please do not bring items for the rummage sale until April 22nd. Thank you.**