

## Thoughts for the Week

'Here then is the question: you are not only called to personal devotion: you are called to a stupendous task, to be the Body of Christ in society, in the nations and in the world; to be, if you prefer St. Peter's language, 'a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people' (1 Peter 2.90. What resources has the Lord who calls you put at your disposal?.....We shall say secondly, that the tool which God has made to deal with this situation (the current state of the world) is His Church. We are members of it and cannot stand back and survey it, much less judge it, except we judge ourselves.....To three aspects of the Church I would draw your attention: to the pastoral ministry of its clergy, to the royal priesthood of its laity, and to its newly won catholicity.

Frank Woods, Archbishop of Melbourne 1957 – 1977.

### DATES TO NOTE

Sun. Sept. 17	Welcome Back Sunday, 10:00 am, Church
Sun. Sept. 17	Sexual Misconduct Policy Training, 1 pm, Fireside Room
Mon. Sept. 18	Property Committee Meeting, 2:00 pm, Fireside Room
Tues. Sept. 19	Church Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm, Fireside Room
Sun. Sept. 24	Flute and Piano Concert, 4 pm, Church
Sat. Sept. 30	Rummage Sale, 9 am to Noon
Sat. Sept. 30	Youth Movie Night, 6 pm, Fireside Room
Tues. Oct. 3	Senior's Café, 10 am, Fireside Room
Fri. Oct. 6- Mon. Oct. 9	BCYAYM Fall Conference

### WELCOME BACK! SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Welcome Back from summer! Today, after the 10 am service, enjoy hotdogs, lemonade, and the chance to gather with friends and to meet someone new. There will be welcome tables from a number of the church groups - a chance to learn more about what is happening in the parish. Invite a friend and let's share summer stories and celebrate together.

### CHILDREN AT CHURCH - EVERY SUNDAY

At the 10.00am service there are Church School classes for all children who wish to attend. Children are encouraged to come to the front of the church for the "Children's Focus" and then leave for their classes, returning during the Peace. The youngest (newborns to two years old) can use our "Noah's Ark" room (just off the side of the church) under parental supervision.

### INTERFAITH OPPORTUNITY

Would you like to visit the beautiful Ismaili Centre in Burnaby to learn more about its architecture as well as the beliefs and community work of the Ismailis? A friend of mine is organizing a tour from 1 to 4 pm on October 18th. Please register through Beth at the office by 25th September. If lunch is provided there may be a nominal charge, but it will be delicious--I know, I have eaten there! Having done a similar tour in the Spring, I found it fascinating. We will be joined there by parishioners from Knox United.

### SEXUAL MISCONDUCT POLICY TRAINING

Thank you to everyone who has updated or completed their policy training, in compliance to Diocesan requirements. Any individuals who have not yet completed or updated their training, please note that Beth will be putting on another session today at 1 pm. Please let Beth know if you will be attending.

### GODLY PLAY CORE TRAINING

Dunbar Ryerson United Church is hosting this 3-Saturday full accreditation program this fall. The program runs from 8:30 am to 5 pm on the following Saturdays: September 30, October 14, and November 25. The cost is \$125 per session or \$350 for all 3 Saturdays. Inquire to Anne Clark about cost for recertification. For questions and registration form, email Anne Clark: [arbc52@gmail.com](mailto:arbc52@gmail.com).

### **RUMMAGE SALE VOLUNTEERS**

The rummage sale is one of our main fund-raisers for the year, and we do rely on volunteers to help make the sale a success, so please sign up to help throughout the week prior to the sale and on the day. A sign-up sheet is posted on the Volunteers needed board in the Gym

### **COFFEE HOUR HOSTS**

Volunteers for coffee hour are needed. If interested, please contact Amanda Holley or Catherine Bernard.

### **FUNDING TO FIX OUR EXTERIOR WALL - A 'SURPRISE' SUMMER PROJECT**

We are now in the final stage of this repair. The final cost of this project is above \$30,000, so any help with offsetting this necessary work would be greatly appreciated. We have raised just over half of what is needed. Please designate donations for this work to the Building Fund.

### **BCYAYM FALL CONFERENCE**

The British Columbia and Yukon Anglican Youth Movement's Fall Conference will be hosted by St. Philip's this year over the Thanksgiving long weekend. They expect around 75 young Anglicans to be in attendance. We are looking for individuals who would be willing to assist with cooking food for them. A meal plan has been developed, we just need volunteers to prepare the meals. One catch is that due to foodsafe regulations, food cannot be cooked offsite and then brought in, meaning that all food needs to be **prepared and cooked** at the Church. Pre-Packaged items may be used however to save time (i.e., pre-made lasagna). Food expenses will be fully reimbursed with the submission of receipts.

The Fall Conference will have a Sunday lunch barbecue, to which the entire parish is welcome. Please speak with Janet Brown or Beth Vondette if you are interested in being a chef de cuisine.

### **READERS NEEDED**

The Readers team needs new leadership: Jane Dunlop has retired from the role. We also welcome new readers of all ages. Training and practice will be provided. Speak to Debbie Matheson at Welcome Back Sunday or [debbiematheson53@gmail.com](mailto:debbiematheson53@gmail.com)

### **CHRISTMAS FAIR CONVENERS WANTED**

The Christmas Fair is Saturday November 25. Contact Marian Boyle or Debbie Matheson if you would like to be a stall convener.

### **WALK FOR RECONCILIATION**

Rev. Kim at St. Anslem's is leading a group of participants for the upcoming Reconciliation March on September 24, and you are invited to join. We will meet on the steps of the Cathedral (690 Burrard Street) at 8:45, leaving at 9:10 towards the march marshalling area. You can find Rev. Kim by his parish banner on the steps, and you're invited to bring your parish banner too. Email Rev. Kim at [Hkim@stanselms.ca](mailto:Hkim@stanselms.ca) for more information. Please dress for the weather.

### **EMMET CAHILL CONCERT**

Emmet Cahill, of Celtic Thunder fame, is doing a North American tour launching his solo album. He will be performing at Knox United Church (located at 5600 Balaclava Street) on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 7:30 pm. He will be initially joined by the Knox United Choir and United City Singers for a few pieces, before performing a range of songs from sacred, to light musical theatre and Irish Classics. The tickets are available online or through Knox United at a cost of \$30 (US) or \$45(US) for Meet and Greet. There is a \$2 processing fee if the tickets are purchased online.

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY WEBSITE**

The Neighbourhood Ministry website was launched today at [www.neighbourhoodministry.com](http://www.neighbourhoodministry.com). Congratulations to Vicki Potter, Joan Stewart, and Benita Yi for their sterling efforts to design and launch the website. Please take a look, and let your friends know about it.



Sept. 30 9 am to noon

✓ we can use ✓

- ✓ Clothing and shoes, men's, women's and children's ✓
- ✓ Sporting equipment ✓
- ✓ Kitchen utensils, china and knick-knacks ✓
- ✓ Linens ✓
- ✓ Jewellery ✓
- ✓ Books ✓
- ✓ Small appliances only ✓
- ✓ Toys - complete puzzles only ✓

**Please do not bring your rummage to the church before September 26**

**x Please do not bring us x**

- x Sleeping bags or pillows x
- x text books x TV's or microwaves x
- x computers or other electronic equipment x
- x anything too big for one person to carry easily x

These items do not sell, and we are left with the expense of disposal

We will be sorting and setting up from Wednesday Sept.27 morning on so if you have an hour or two during the week, please come and give us a hand.

Lawn signs and posters are available - please help us advertise the sale by taking one or more. There are also sign up sheets on which to offer your help