

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

**DATES TO NOTE**

- Mon. Mar. 26 Holy Monday Service, 10:00 am Service  
Mon. Mar. 26 Altar Guild Meeting, 2:00 pm, Fireside Room  
Tues. Mar. 27 Holy Tuesday Service, 7:00 pm Service  
Tues. Mar. 27 Church Committee Meeting, 7:45 pm, Totem Room  
Wed. Mar. 28 Holy Wednesday Service, 10:00 am Service  
Thurs. Mar. 29 Maundy Thursday Service, 6:00 pm, Fireside Room  
Fri. Mar. 30 Good Friday Services: Intergenerational Stations of the Cross service: 10:00 am  
Liturgy of the Cross, noon  
Sat. Mar. 31 Easter Vigil Service, 7:00 pm  
Sun. Apr. 1 Easter Sunday Services, Eucharist: 8:00 am; 10:00 am, bring your bells for ringing  
the Alleluias!  
Fri. Apr. 6 Photo Directory, afternoon, Fireside Room  
Sat. Apr. 7 Photo Directory, all day, Fireside Room  
Sun. Apr. 8 Photo Directory, afternoon, Fireside Room  
Sun. Apr. 8 The Bach Project II Concert, 4:00 pm, Church  
Mon. Apr. 9 Outreach Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm, Upstairs Meeting Room  
Tues. Apr. 10 Senior's Café, 10:00 am, Fireside Room



**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.

**FLOWERS FOR EASTER**

The Altar Guild will be decorating the church for Easter on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, and welcomes gifts of spring flowers and greenery from members of the parish. If you would like to contribute in this way, please bring your donation to the Church by 9:00 am on Easter Saturday. Thank you.



**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.

**SOUP MAKERS NEEDED FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY**

We need about 10 soups for our Maundy Thursday simple supper and service. If you can help with this, please speak to the Parish Manager, Beth Vondette.

**CHRISM MASS 2018**

Our bishop invites members of the diocese to attend the annual renewal of baptismal and ordination vows, and the blessings of oils for baptism and healing, at Christ Church Cathedral on Tuesday of

Holy Week (March 27) at noon. If you wish to remain for a free lunch following, please register on the diocesan web site.

### **EASTER SPEAKER SERIES “EXPERIENCING THE RESURRECTION”**

The Easter speaker series will run four Wednesdays from April 11<sup>th</sup> to May 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

Harry O. Maier ([vst.edu/people/dr-harry-o-maier](http://vst.edu/people/dr-harry-o-maier)) is Professor of New Testament and Early Christian Studies at Vancouver School of Theology, where he has taught since 1990. He is also a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada and a Fellow at the Max Weber Center for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies at the University of Erfurt.

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 9<sup>th</sup> 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'.

### **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 favorable 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 [kmarylymburner@telus.net](mailto:kmarylymburner@telus.net)



### **SENIORS CAFÉ RETURNS THIS SPRING!**

Our first Seniors Café of 2018 will be a special, spring-themed event on Tuesday, March 27. Bring a friend and join us in the Fireside Room from 10:00 am to Noon for friendly conversation, refreshments, and some table-top activities. Seniors Café will continue once a month on the second Tuesday of the month with further spring dates on April 10, May 8, and June 12.

### **FUNDING FOR SENIORS CAFÉ**

A special fund for Seniors Café has now been designated. Parishioners and community members wishing to make donations to support the Café program may now 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, particularly through the spring, summer, and fall months.

### **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.

### **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.



## **BROCK HOUSE- KERRISDALE HANDBELL RINGERS CONCERT**

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

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY**

***VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:*** The weekly outings, such as the one described below, remain an important part of the neighbourhood ministry. Unfortunately, a few of our most dedicated Outdoor Team members have had to step down recently for health reasons. We would welcome new volunteers. This involves a commitment of about 2 1/2 hours on a Saturday morning once a month. For more information, please contact Mary Lymburner, 778-898-5117 or [kmarylymburner@telus.net](mailto:kmarylymburner@telus.net) or Beth Vondette in the office.



## **NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY REPORT FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>**

Team 5 (Dale, Carol, Paris, & Tim) set out from St. Philip's after Don set us up.

First stop, Dunbar and 28th. J was welcoming, good spirits but has back problems. He says the medications that the doctors are giving him make him appear dopey. Appears to be living in Dunbar residence, but he was evasive.

Next, 4th & Highbury: B (now living out at Commercial but it's vermin-ridden; he has applied to Steve's at Jericho), D, next to him is C? who asked for underwear, A (post stroke, looks understandably more frail and grey, but sharp and cheerful), T (energetic as ever), M (needs rain jacket), C (still living in Victoria but here for work). Irish green was theme of the day.

4th and Vine. Megaphone P (has place at 31st & Vic), T in front of Whole Foods, talkative (our candidate for church man—he's got the touch) and N took the bag but did not engage much. Spoke of trouble since he doesn't have citizenship.

Granville up from Broadway. G & S, staked out across the street from each other. G cheerful, S less so (hands seem a bit swollen). Seems, from Paris's experience with BC Housing that there have been issues in setting up the interviews.

Finally, Broadway & Vine. S in front of London Drugs. He was slumped over but woke and engaged, asking about followup on the housing interview. He riffled through the bag, per usual for the Ensure, and then calmly placed the entire bag by his side. We were gobsmacked into silence. We wrapped up back at St. Philip's.

## **Report from MCU team at St. Mary's**

(Charlotte, Paris, Gary, Dr. Janet, Erica (Resident working with Dr. Janet) and Karen)

Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> was relatively busy for our usually quiet site. One fellow came by to check in with the social services team to see if his US birth certificate had arrived – not so far. Another provided the paperwork required for us to apply to SAFER on his behalf for a rent subsidy. A third fellow worked with Paris who did a terrific job of completing Part 3 of the PWD application. (The client's doctor has submitted the medical report for the application.) Paris will go over the Part 3 form with Kat Potter later this week. The fourth fellow, who will be housed at Dunbar Apartments within a week, worked with us to complete some paperwork and also received a TB test from the medical team. He will be required to have this read at a clinic in a few days. He has been homeless for some time and is very excited about his new apartment, which apparently has a great view! Charlotte and Paris listened very patiently to a woman's story regarding her recent hospitalization. She also spoke with Dr. Janet.

Finally, the medical team measured a client's blood pressure and also checked a man who had recently experienced an allergic reaction.

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES



Today	Palm Sunday: Eucharist: 8 & 10 am
Mon. March 26	Eucharist: 10:00 am
Tues. March 27	Eucharist: 7:00 pm
Wed. March 28	Eucharist: 10:00 am
Thurs. March 29	Maundy Thursday Simple Supper and Eucharist at 6:00 pm in the Fireside Room, followed by hand and foot washing in the Church and stripping of the altar
Fri. March 30	Good Friday: Intergenerational service: 10:00 am  Liturgy of the Cross, noon
Sat. March 31	Easter Vigil, Lighting of the Easter fire and First Eucharist of Easter: 7:00 pm
Sun. April 1	Easter Day: Eucharist: 8:00 am;  Festal choral Eucharist: 10:00 am,  Bring your bells for ringing