

Celebrant: The Rev'd Dr. Marilyn Hames
Preacher: The Rev'd Stuart Hallam

DATES TO NOTE

Today	Halloween Lunch for Church School, noon, Fireside Room
Sat. Nov. 3 - Nov. 4	St. Philip's Youth Group Retreat
Sun. Nov. 4	Family Service, 10:00 am, Church
Sun. Nov. 4	Family Service luncheon, noon, Gym *Potluck*
Sun. Nov 4	Mozart Requiem Concert, 4 pm, Church
Mon. Nov. 5	Jones Girls, noon, Fireside Room
Wed. Nov. 7	Parish Post Deadline, noon
Sun. Nov. 11	Remembrance Day Service, 10:30 am, Church
Mon. Nov. 12	Remembrance Day Statutory Holiday, office closed
Thurs. Nov. 15	Yunnan - Adventures in China, 7:00 pm, Fireside Room
Sat. Nov. 17	All Parish Open Gym and Games, 6:00 pm, Fireside Room
Sat. Dec. 1	Christmas Fair, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

COMMUNICATIONS

You may now use www.stphilipsdunbar.com to register for email updates of our weekly Bulletins, quarterly Parish Post and occasional notices. Just follow the "Email Updates" link at the top of our website page (or in the menu on mobile devices) and enter your Name, and Email. You will then receive an email when these are published.

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: <https://www.stphilipsdunbar.com/> and click on the heading "Sermons" on the top right of the screen.

2019 CHURCH CALENDARS AVAILABLE

The new 2019 Church Calendars are for sale for \$6.00 each and can be purchased from the Church Office or after Church on Sunday.

KIDS AND YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT!

Come join us for an evening of Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone on Friday, October 26th at 6 pm in the Fireside Room. Bring a snack to share (optional). Harry Potter-themed costumes are encouraged!

HALLOWEEN CHURCH SCHOOL FAMILY LUNCH

There will be a Halloween lunch for Church School families after the 10 am service on October 28. Dress ups are welcome.



FAMILY SERVICE POTLUCK LUNCH

There will be a pot luck lunch after the November 4th 10 am Family Service. All are welcome! Please drop off your Potluck dishes in the kitchen prior to 10 am on Sunday, November 4.

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS WANTED

The Church School is actively recruiting new teachers. If you feel called to this ministry, registration for training is now open at <https://godlyplaybcevents.weebly.com>. The next training sessions are November 3 & 24 and January 12 and will be held at Pacific Spirit United Church (formerly Ryerson United). The course is fun and a great foundation! The cost will be covered by the church school. Please speak with Erin McDougall if you are interested.

CHRISTMAS CAKE BAKERS NEEDED!

It may seem early, but the Christmas Fair is not far off. If you can follow a recipe and would like to find out the secrets of the famous St. Philip's Christmas Cake - please talk to Catriona Wilson or Joanne Vondette who would love to have you join our team of bakers. Most



ingredients and pans provided! If you have an 8x8 square fruitcake pan languishing in your basements, please bring them to Church.

FAMILY SERVICE ORCHESTRA

Calling all musicians! St Philip's is looking to form an orchestra. We hope to rehearse once a month prior to the Family Service. Contact Michael if you play an instrument. We need violinists, flutes, bass instruments, guitars, cellos and percussionists.



REFUGEE NEWS

Lama and her children arrived on September 13. All are now in school, including Lama. It is not easy for them to be away from their friends and family in Lebanon, and to be unable to communicate with those around them. The children in particular should learn English quickly. Fortunately they have relatives in North Vancouver to visit.

The applications for Lama's parents, Nasriddin and Fatmeh, and her younger brother, Ward, are being processed at the Canadian Visa Office in Beirut. They had some preliminary meeting on October 3. Their formal interview at the Visa Office is scheduled for November 13. Their arrival is likely still some months away. Lama will be very relieved to have them here. St. John's Shaughnessy agreed to sponsor Lama's sister, Hadeel, with her husband, Bassel, and three young children. St. Philip's has agreed to be co-sponsor for them, contributing some hands on work when they arrive, but not any money. Their application was received at IRCC at the end of August. This is a more educated branch of the family, with quite young children, so should settle in more easily. This application has been accepted (the application, not the people) and sent on to the Canadian Visa Office in Beirut. It will likely be at least 18 months until they arrive.

Though we have received many generous donations, there have been some additional expenses for our Refugee Family, therefore donations will be gratefully received. Cheques can be made to St. Philip's with Refugee Fund on the envelope as well as on the memo line. For more information, please contact Mary Lymburner at kmarylymburner@telus.net or 778-898-5117.



NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY

It would be great to end the homeless action week with donations for the neighbourhood ministry - **we could use cans of meat, fruit, or applesauce cups, nutrition drinks (ensure), fruit juice boxes, clean underwear for men, rain pants, warm waterproof jackets, sleeping bags, sleeping mats, hats, and/or gloves.** Consider adding in a can of meat, a package of fruit cups or a pair of gloves to your shopping cart each time you're at the store- every little bit helps.

The following is a summary of the activities of the Westside Anglicans Neighbourhood Ministry over the last few weeks, including highlights from our Saturday Street Outreach teams and our Mobile Care Unit (MCU).

Saturday Street Team One was pleased to welcome a new volunteer, Tammy, to their crew on Saturday, September 29th. Welcome Tammy! The team made 7 connections on their rounds, giving out food, clothing and blankets. A volunteer was gifted a lovely art card.

The MCU visit to St. Augustine's was lively as ever, with 4 clients visiting the medical team and 4 clients visiting the social services team on October 4th. Housing was the big issue for most. It's disheartening when clients do not qualify for Supportive Housing, but who are still too poor to make rent. We were able to supply a client with 2 large boxes of clothing as was requested at the last site visit. Thank you everyone.

The Kits Team were delighted to welcome Benita as a volunteer to the MCU on Saturday, September 6th. It is a dream come true to have a former practicum student return as a volunteer. Welcome Benita! The medical team served 4 clients and the social services side served 3.

Saturday Street Team Two went out on October 6th and made 12 connections. They had lots of winter clothes, food and bedding. One of our regulars is very knowledgeable of others' needs and situations, letting us know who could use our help and possibly where to find them. One client requested a specific size of pants, which

got to the client the following week.

The inaugural MCU visit to M. Mitchell Place occurred on October 9th. The team was warmly welcomed by the staff. There was not much activity as this is a new site, with two clients served by the social services team. It will naturally take time to build trust and become known at the new site.

Saturday street Team Three went out on Saturday, October 13th. The car was jammed to the rafters with supplies, which was a great thing as it turned out to be a busy day and everything went! Frankie, the Labra-doodle, is a great hit with the clients. 14 connections were made. One client updated the team on a few of our friends.

It was the start of Homelessness Action Week and a Benefit Concert was held at St. Philip's on Sunday, October 14th at 5 pm, which was a great success.

FEASABILITY STUDY

As you may know, St. Philip's commissioned a firm to chart our building maintenance requirements for the coming years, the replacement of our roofing material being one of the most immediate needs. All the details of this study can be found here: www.stphilipsdunbar.com/news/2017-building-assessment-and-capital-plan

In addition, Stuart has encouraged us to participate in a vision for St. Philip's as described in Stuart's sermon on September 9th: <https://www.stphilipsdunbar.com/blog/the-story-so-far-and-a-vision-for-st-philips>

The core message is the desire to grow St. Philip's into an Anglican Centre for Spirituality and Social Justice by building on the history of successful social and outreach programs that have been a part of this community for many years.

Maintenance and growth require investment, and to explore our needs going forward, the Trustees have retained the firm of Waller & Associates to conduct a Feasibility Study for St. Philip's. The key aspects of this study will involve Waller & Associates interviewing a cross-section of parishioners to discuss and collect insights into the vision of St. Philip's going forward, to touch on the financial requirements of that vision, and to determine if we are ready to embark on a Fundraising Campaign in 2019. In addition to one-on-one interviews with a sub-set of parishioners, there will be an online survey available to parishioners to provide their input. The information discovered during this process will be gathered into a report that will form the basis of a Fundraising Campaign.

In discussing this option with those who have experienced fundraising studies and campaigns in other parishes, it was clear that such a study leads to a sharper understanding of the financial strength of the community, greater clarity of what parishioners want, and an increase in parishioner engagement.

This process is being guided by a feasibility task group to guide the process and is comprised of Stuart Hallam, Brian Mix, Moira Bryans, Penni Stock, Sarah Burns, Sarah Howard, and Craig Wilson. Waller & Associates is a specialized firm that works exclusively with Christian and non-profit organizations. More information is available on their website [waller.ca].

The task group and Waller look forward to sharing the next steps as we embark on this important study over the next few months. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Craig Wilson, on behalf of the task group.

CARETAKER ANNOUNCEMENT

The Wardens are very pleased to announce that Sarah Garland has been selected as St. Philip's Caretaker. The delay in our announcement is due to the wait for Sarah's work visa, applied for on August 24th. For now, we have a chance to let you know a little about Sarah who, in addition to being our Caretaker, is keen to join the St. Philip's worship and music communities.

Sarah is from Australia and has recently been working, and then volunteering when her work-visa expired, at St. Benedict's Monastery and Retreat Centre in Winnipeg. Her work there included housekeeping, moving chairs and tables, cleaning windows, gardening, car washing, and snow shoveling, aligning nicely with our Caretaker profile. Sarah has also been repairing and polishing furniture and painting the outside doors while at

St. Benedict's.

Sarah has a broad set of skills and training, including a BA completed in 2001 with a double major in Psychology and Theology; Woodworking, polishing and upholstery skills acquired through the family business; and courses in Fine Woodworking. Sarah also has training and experience with pastoral care and working with adults with disabilities. And she plays the Ukulele! We look forward to welcoming Sarah when her work visa comes through.



Christmas Fair

Saturday, December 1

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Raffle: Four Tickets to The Arts Club's Miss Bennet: Xmas at Pemberley
Thurs. Dec. 13, 7:30 pm; Basket of Christmas Treats; Christmas Centerpiece

Five weeks to Convene, Create, Collect and Donate

- Attic Treasures: silver, fine china, linens, crystal
- Silent Auction: gifts, tickets, services, dining, art
- Raffle: \$20 per booklet. Buy Sundays or from office
- Handcrafts for everyone
- Kitchen Gourmet
- Christmas Cakes
- Bake Shop: loaves, cakes, shortbread, gingerbread...
- Small Gifts & Jewelry
- Christmas Table: festive ware (no boughs, please)
- Tea Room
- Bottle Tombola: sauce, juice, wine, shampoo, pop...
- Hot Dog BBQ

Conveners

Ann Kent
Glenna Geddes
Bruce Gregg

Sheila Butt & Dora Martin
Catriona Wilson & Joanne Vondette
Laurie Cassie & Lana Dolman

Kira Domaschuk
Mary Pollock & Ursula Bell
Kids & Youth

Elves are needed for MANY roles before & during the Fair: please help!

- o Silent Auction Solicit donations from businesses & parishioners.
 Get Silent Auction letters and Fair Posters for businesses from mailbox S.
- o Lawn signs & fair posters: let's blanket Dunbar St. and neighbourhoods
- o Decorate: Wed. Nov. 28, 9:00 - 12:00 We need helpers!
- o Set-up Tables Wed. Nov 28 Custodian? & Helpers
- o Skirt & Set-Up Thurs & Friday Conveners et al
- o Bankers Accounting & security Counting Team
- o Sellers Sat. Dec. 1, 10:00 - 2:30 Sign Up, please
- o Greeters/Security " 10:00 - 2:00 Barry Smith et al
- o Take down, clean up " 2:00 - 3:00 All hands on deck!
- o Attic Treasures Pack-Up: we need a team to help Ann Kent. Volunteer!

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