

## **Celebrant: The Rev'd. Stuart Hallam**

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#### **DATES TO NOTE**

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| Mon. Apr. 8    | Outreach Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm, Upstairs Meeting Room    |
| Tues. Apr. 9   | Lenten Study, 7:30 pm, Totem Room                             |
| Wed. Apr. 10   | Trustees Meeting, 7:00 pm, Upstairs Meeting Room              |
| Sat. Apr. 13   | St. Philip's Youth Group Event: Laser Tag, TBD                |
| Sun. Apr. 14   | Palm Sunday   |
| Mon. Apr. 15   | Holy Week Monday Service, 10:00 am                            |
| Tues. Apr. 16  | Holy Week Tuesday Service, 10:00 am                           |
| Tues. Apr. 16  | Lenten Study, 7:30 pm, Totem Room                             |
| Wed. Apr. 17   | Holy Week Wednesday Service, 10:00 am                         |
| Wed. Apr. 17   | Church Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm, Totem Room                 |
| Thurs. Apr. 18 | Maundy Thursday Service, 6:00 pm, Fireside Room               |
| Fri. Apr. 19   | Good Friday: Stations of the Cross, 10:00 am, Gym             |
| Fri. Apr. 19   | Good Friday: Liturgy of the Cross: 12:00 pm                   |
| Sat. Apr. 20   | Easter Vigil, 7:00 pm   |
| Sun. Apr. 21   | Easter Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:00 am                             |
| Mon. Apr. 22   | Easter Monday, office closed                                  |
| Sat. Apr. 27   | All Parish Open Gym and Games, 6:00 pm, Fireside Room and Gym |

#### **PARISH LUNCH TODAY**

The congregation is invited to a catered Parish Lunch hosted by Fellowship after the service. Suggested donation is \$5.00. Please stay to meet new people, share fellowship, and build community. Invite newcomers to join us.

#### **SOUP MAKERS NEEDED FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY**

We need about 5 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**

Our archbishop invited members of the diocese to attend the annual renewal of baptismal and ordination vows, and blessings of oils for baptism and healing, at Christ Church Cathedral on Tuesday of Holy Week (April 16) at noon. Following the Mass and distribution of Oils a light lunch will be served. After lunch in the Cathedral Chancel, Father Martin Brokenleg will give a brief address on the spirituality of Holy Week, beginning at 1:45 and ending by 2pm. The service, lunch and information session is open to all without charge, but registration is requested by **Thursday, April 11**. Register through the Diocesan website: <https://www.vancouver.anglican.ca/events/renewal-of-vows-chrism-mass>

#### **LENTEN STUDY**

This year's Lent Study Group will take place on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm in the Totem Room. The programme, called Just Faith, invites participants to look at contemporary issues through the lens of Christian faith by engaging in reading, prayer, thought-provoking dialogue, encounter, and by building lasting relationships with a small group. Please let Beth know if you are intending to come, so we can

print off sufficient materials for all. For more information take a look at this short video or ask Stuart...  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qdro00M0La8&feature=youtu.be>

### **“OPEN CHURCH” SUNDAY, MAY 5**

As part of Dunbar’s Salmonberry Days, St Philip’s is inviting all our neighbours to drop by. “Open Church” at St Philip’s is one of the first official events of Salmonberry Days in May.

10:00 Family Service. Bring friends to church today, and warmly welcome newcomers.

11:00 – 1:00. Stay for fellowship and fun: Enjoy a hot dog lunch, games in the gym, historical talk, church tour, Casavant organ demo, scavenger hunt, and showing off in our bowling alley.

### **RUMMAGE SALE – TIME FOR SPRING CLEANING!**

We hope everyone is starting to do some spring cleaning and saving their reusable rummage to bring in after May 18. The sale is on May 25. Happy sorting!

### **PRAYER LIST**

The Rector and Pastoral Committee have agreed upon a new way for us to prayer for the sick and those in need. Rather than have a long list of names read out during intercessions, the names of those on the 'sick list' will be printed on the bulletin and during intercessions a period of silence will be given so that the whole congregation can pray for those in need in silence or out loud.

The List will still be prayed for during the week at Morning Prayer and at the Midweek Eucharist, which focuses on prayers for healing and wholeness.

Special prayers for healing and wholeness can still be sought during the distribution of Holy Communion as normal at the 10am Holy Eucharist. However, the prayer team will now be located in the North Transept next to the Prayer Station by the Memorial Garden door.

### **RECORDING SERMONS & SETTING MIC LEVELS**

We're building a team to record sermons and set mic levels during the 10 AM Sunday Services. Those interested can put their names down on the sign up sheet in the gym or send Craig an email at [grog.wilson@gmail.com](mailto:grog.wilson@gmail.com). Craig will run a tutorial after one or more of the 10 AM services and then create a roster for the year. If you would like to see how this works right away, you are welcome to join Craig at the soundboard during a service.

### **ST. PHILIP'S REFUGEE FAMILY: NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP**

This week we have received confirmation from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada that Lama's parents, Nasriddin and Fatmeh, and younger brother, Ward, have been accepted to Canada and will arrive soon. They have been informed by phone that the date will be May 6.

Fortunately a new larger house has been found for the family, big enough to accommodate all 8 people. It is not far from their present home, in the same school catchment area. Lama and her children will move in April 26.

We need more hands-on **volunteers**, active male role models, families to take the boys or girls on activities, and a handy-person to do house repairs and bicycle upkeep. **Donations** Donations are needed. As we begin the sponsorship of Lama’s parents and brother, while continuing to sponsor Lama and her four children, we ask for donations to the Refugee Fund. When donating on our website, please indicate on Canada Helps that you want your donation to go to the Refugee Fund. If you prefer, cheques can be made to St Philip’s with **Refugee Fund** on the envelope as well as on the memo line. Learn more

from Debbie Matheson (debbiematheson53@gmail.com) and Mary Lymburner (kmarylymburner@telus.net)



### NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY

Our cupboards are bare! We've done a great job of handing out all the food that's been donated, but our stocks now need to be replenished. We need: canned meats, fruit cups, cereal bars and/or protein bars (nut, granola and seed free easy to chew), nutrition drinks (like boost or ensure), and/or fruit juice boxes.

We also need another member of our indoor team. If you would be willing to make sandwiches or boil eggs once a month, please let us know!

The following is a summary of the activities of the Westside Anglicans

Neighbourhood Ministry from the latter part of March (March 16-30 inclusive), including highlights from our Saturday Street Outreach teams and our Mobile Care Unit (MCU).

The MCU social service teams visiting St. Augustine's, Kits Showers and M. Mitchell Place served a total of 21 clients. The Street Teams made 47 connections in the Neighbourhood.

The street teams have been meeting new and returning friends with varying needs, sharing food, clothing, and fellowship. Housing continues to be our biggest area of request for assistance.

We prepare to say farewell to our wonderful social work students, Monica and Victoria. We thank them for their immeasurable help during their time with us, and wish them the greatest of success in their journeys ahead.

Thank you to the parishioners from St. Anselm's, St. Philip's and St. Helen's and St. John's for their generosity of items donated.

For a full write up from the street teams and Mobile Care Unit, please subscribe to our email list by contacting Beth, our Office Administrator, at [ministrymcu@gmail.com](mailto:ministrymcu@gmail.com)

### LENT MADNESS 2019 - WHO WILL WIN THE GOLDEN HALO?

Just when you thought Lent couldn't possibly become even more penitential, have we got an online hair shirt for you! Want to be inspired by some saintly souls this Lent and have fun along the way? Join with thousands of Christians across denominations who have discovered the joyful online learning community that is Lent Madness and join in on the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the "saintly smackdown."

With its unique blend of competition, learning, and humor, Lent Madness allows participants to be inspired by the ways in which God has worked through the lives of saintly souls across generations and cultures. Throughout Lent, thirty-two saints will do battle to win the coveted Golden Halo. Based loosely on the NCAA basketball tournament of a similar name, this online devotion pits saints against one another in a bracket as voters choose their favorites throughout this penitential season.

Here's how to participate: on the weekdays of Lent, information is posted at [www.lentmadness.org](http://www.lentmadness.org) about two different saints. Each pairing remains open for 24 hours as participants read about and then vote to determine which saint moves on to the next round. Sixteen saints make it to the Round of the Saintly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the coveted Golden Halo.

Here at St. Philip's, Beth has taken Lent Madness to a whole new level, and has created a **friendly competition** for those interested in participating for the chance to be the "Supreme Saintly Selector"

and win the incredibly kitschy trophy currently in her office. If you wish to participate in the competition, simply email Beth daily (Monday through Friday) with the name of the saint you voted for, and Beth will keep a running tally throughout the competition. Whoever is the most accurate selector of the winning saint per bout will win the trophy.