

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

**DATES TO NOTE**

Mon. Sept. 23	Monday Mantras, 10 am, Totem Room. Drop-in meditation.
Sat. Sept. 28	Fall Rummage Sale, 9:00 am - noon.
Sat. Oct. 5	Silent Church Retreat, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Sun. Oct. 6	Family Service, 10:00 am, with Pet Blessing, followed by Parish lunch
Sun. Oct. 13	Thanksgiving Sunday
Mon. Oct. 14	Thanksgiving Monday: Church office closed
Tues. Oct. 15	Parish Council meeting, 7:30 pm, Totem Room
Sun. Oct. 27	Church School Halloween Lunch, 11:30 am, Totem Room
Sun. Oct. 27	Hallowe'en Concert: "Phantom of the Opera" film 7:00 pm
Sun. Nov. 10	Remembrance Day Service
Sat. Nov. 30	Christmas Fair 11:00 – 2:00



**FALL RUMMAGE SALE - SAT. SEPT. 28**

Rummage Sale is on Saturday! Please help out where you can!

Tuesday, Sep 24 from 10:00 am to 5pm - To help set up tables in Garden Room and half of the gym and begin sorting

Wednesday, Sep. 25 from 9am – 8:30 pm (yes, an evening time) to set up remainder of tables in Fireside room and rest of gym. More sorting!

Thursday and Friday from 9am to 5pm – more sorting and pricing

Sat 9am-12noon – selling!

Sat 12noon – 1:30pm – clean up (and pizza!)

Sign up sheet is the gym...come for an hour, or two, or however long you can manage. All help is very much appreciated!

Please bring Rummage before noon on Friday!

**UPDATE ON PLEDGES TO THE OPERATING BUDGET**

Many parishioners pledge to make weekly or monthly donations to the church's operating budget. It is with thanks to you that I report that most pledgers are up to date with their donations as of the end of August. The regular income is a real help to the parish operations.



I will be contacting individually the few who appear to have fallen behind over the summer. If you do not hear from me by the end of September, you can assume that our records show you are up to date with your contribution.

To conserve paper and time, I won't ask Beth to print statements that say just that.  
From your Envelope Secretary, Paul Harrison



**REFUGEE NEWS: One year anniversary of the arrival of Lama and her children.**

Lama and her children, Sedra, Doha, Majd and Ahmad, marked the one year anniversary of their arrival in Vancouver on September 13. This means that the formal sponsorship period has ended.

They are approaching financial independence in that Lama has found work with a catering company. In recent weeks this has been almost full time work, but the hours will no doubt fluctuate. Lama is also attending evening classes in English. Having received the approval of

Church Committee we will continue some financial support for Lama and her children for the next several months at a much reduced rate.

Lama's brother Ward has been in English classes since June. He has been doing some casual painting and construction work from time to time. Lama's parents, Nasidin and Fatmeh, started English classes last week.

Immediate priorities:

1. Job for Ward: Ward is 25 years old. He has some experience as a house painter and construction helper. He is interested in pursuing a career as a painter. He has some English and learns quickly. If any of you has some house painting to be done and would be willing to take the time to supervise Ward, that would be very helpful. Or you may have contacts with a company that needs a painter or construction helper.

2 Tutoring: The adults especially would welcome extra help with English. The schedule is flexible. Teaching qualifications are not a requirement.

3. Money: Nasridin, Fatmeh and Ward arrived on May 16, 2019, so we are responsible for their support until May 16, 2020. To that end, we need ongoing financial support to see us through until May 2020. Thank you to all who have contributed so generously.

Please donate by cheque, payable to St. Philip's with Refugee Fund on the envelope and memo line, or on our website through Canada Helps, specify your donation for the Refugee Fund.

For further information or to offer help, please contact Mary Lymburner [kmarylymburner@telus.net](mailto:kmarylymburner@telus.net) or 778-898-5117 or Debbie Matheson [debbiematheson53@gmail.com](mailto:debbiematheson53@gmail.com) or 604-202-6196.



## WESTSIDE ANGLICANS NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY

September 29<sup>th</sup> is Homelessness Action Sunday at St. Philip's. Pitman and Vicki Potter and the St. Philip's volunteers will talk about their experience working for this Ministry. Thanks to all of you for all of the donations we received last Sunday.



We are still looking for the following items:

- Nutrition drinks (eg Ensure or Boost).
- Soft texture Cereal (eg Nutrigrain) and Protein Bars (eg Pure Protein Bars); no little bits like granola or oats, easy to chew. Both Costco and Save On Foods sell Pure Protein Bars.
- Winter and rain jackets and rain pants
- Sleeping bags and mats
- Canned meat

Other items that we are in need of are canned fish, fruit or pudding cups, small can openers and biodegradable spoons; no other clothing or toiletries are needed at this time.



### CHRISTMAS IS COMING

If you are making any jams, jellies, pickles or chutneys this summer, please make a few extra jars for the Kitchen Gourmet stall at the Christmas Fair. The more variety we have, the more we can sell. Please consider recycling your 125mL or 250mL mason jars by bringing them to the Church and leaving them on the table by the mailboxes. Thank you.

### CHRISTMAS FAIR PLANNING MEETING: SUNDAY, SEPT. 22

Join Debbie Matheson over coffee in the Fireside Room for some important announcements and an invitation for new ideas. From seasoned volunteers to newcomers, all are welcome!



### MONDAY MANTRAS

All are welcome to join the weekly meditation group on Monday mornings at 10 am in the Totem Room, led by Paddy Leal.

### HALLOWE'EN CONCERT, FEATURING SCREENING OF 1925 "PHANTOM OF THE OPERA"

Sunday Oct. 27, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Join in the fun of enjoying the 1925 silent film "Phantom of the Opera" starring Lon Chaney accompanied by Michael Murray on the organ, in partnership with Clark's Audio Visual. Tickets are \$25 cash and \$5 for children under 10. Proceeds to the Organ Fund. Expect surprises!



**A TASTE OF SILENCE” ONE-DAY CENTERING PRAYER SILENT RETREAT**

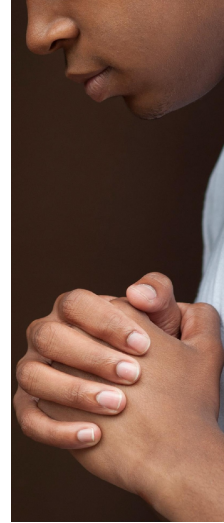
At St. Philip's on Saturday, October 5, 2019, 10 am to 3 pm.

This retreat is presented by Contemplative Outreach of Greater Vancouver. Most of the participants will be from centering prayer groups meeting in churches of various denominations around the Lower Mainland, but others are welcome. If you are seeking a silent day in prayer to deepen your contemplative prayer practice please join us in community for a Taste of Silence.

A simple lunch is provided. A donation of \$25 or any amount in accordance with your means is appreciated.

To register contact Christine Kesans, [chris.kesans@gmail.com](mailto:chris.kesans@gmail.com) or 604-944-7447

For more information, please see the poster in the gym or contact Mary Lymburner, [kmarylymburner@telus.net](mailto:kmarylymburner@telus.net) or 778-898-5117



**The RUMMAGE SALE**  
is coming this Saturday, Sep 28 from 9am-12noon

We are looking for donations of:

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

Please do not bring:

- XSleeping bags or pillows X
- Xtext books XTV's or microwaves X
- Xcomputers or other electronic equipment X
- Xgolf clubs or skis X

Xanything too big for one person to carry easily X

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

Please bring before 12noon on Friday, Sep 27.

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Thurs. and Fri. from 9am to 5pm – More sorting and pricing.

Sat. 9am-12noon – Selling!

Sat. 12noon – 130pm – Clean up (and pizza!)

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Lawn signs and posters are available in the gym. Please help us advertise the sale by taking one or more.