

Celebrant: The Rev'd. Stuart Hallam
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We are delighted to welcome our uniformed organisations for our annual Scouts and Guides Parade Service this Sunday. Please make them and their families feel at home as they join us for our 10am Family Service and afterwards for lunch.

DATES TO NOTE

- Mon. Feb. 3 Monday Mantras, 10:00 am, Garden Room
- Mon. Feb. 3 Outreach Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm, Upstairs Meeting Room
- Mon. Feb. 17 Family Day, office closed
- Sun. Feb. 23 Annual Vestry Meeting, 11:30 am, Fireside Room

FAMILY SERVICE & PARISH LUNCH: SPECIAL GUESTS

Please stay for a light lunch today following the 10:00 am service and welcome our guests, the Beavers, Cub Scouts, Scouts and Rangers who meet weekly at St Philip's. The lunch is catered by the Fellowship Committee, with a suggested donation of \$5/person.

Our Refugee family has also been invited to the Family Service and Lunch this Sunday, and we think that most of the family will be in attendance since they had so much fun at the picnic. They may think we always end with water fights.

Lama Chebli arrived in Sept. 2018 with her four children: daughters Sedra (17) and Doha (16) and sons Majd (13) (rhymes with Magic) and Ahmad (12). Newer arrivals in May 2019 are Lama's mother Fatmeh, her father Nasridin, and her youngest brother Ward (26) (pronounced Wa'-red). Ward has helped Pat Brandon and Mike Wenzlaff with interior painting jobs.

We can all help to make our guests feel welcome.
See you then!

Outreach Committee and Fellowship Committee.



GET INVOLVED IN THE FAMILY OF ST. PHILIP'S!

Are you feeling that St Philip's is becoming your spiritual home? Great! I hope you are too, so why not consider getting more involved? One first step could be to get more involved on a Sunday, perhaps as a reader, an intercessor, a welcomer, or a side person?

You might want to become one of the lay assistants who helps me distribute Holy Communion or want to sing in the choir, or help with our younger people? Whatever you choose, getting involved will only serve to make you feel even more part of the St Philip's family. So why not chat to me or one of the wardens after the service, we would love to have you get more involved. Thanks, Stuart

LAY ADMINISTRATORS

We are seeking anyone who might be interested in becoming a Lay Administrator to volunteer their names. We could certainly use more Lay Administrators, as we are quite short now because of attrition and requests for leave (sometimes for several months). If interested, please speak with Stuart or John Dolman.





PRAYER LEADERS SOUGHT

Are you interested in being a prayer leaders (intercessors)? We are looking for new members to add to our ranks. Training and support are provided. Please speak with Nancy Kwasnicki or Beth Vondette if you are interested to learn more.

LIGHTING ASSISTANCE

Thanks to a generous donation from Mike Wenzlaff & Harper Hadden we are converting the lighting in the Gym and Sanctuary to energy saving LED. Pat needs 2 volunteers to assist in the switch over on an upcoming Friday, Saturday and Sunday (Feb. 14-16, Family Day long weekend). The process is expected to take 6 hours per day. There is a sign-up sheet in the Gym for 2-hour increment shifts available for those interested in assisting in this project. We all will be enlightened!



MONDAY MANTRAS

All are welcome to join the weekly meditation group on Monday mornings at 10 am in the Garden Room, led by Paddy Leal. Monday Mantras will not occur on Statutory Holidays.

NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY

This Sunday is Neighbourhood Ministry Sunday. We are looking for donations of the following items:

- Canned meat and fish
- Soft protein bars (no seeds, nuts or granola) eg Pure protein bars; Costco and Save on Foods sell them.
- Sleeping bags and mats
- Tarps



Neighbourhood Ministry Report for Saturday, January 18, 2020

This Saturday Janice, Mary and I began at St. Philip's to pick up the packages at 9:30 am.

We began at the fence, but no one was there, so we drove over to St. Helen's to drop off a packet for B. He wasn't there, but his stuff was so we left him some food.

We then went back to the fence and saw D. We had a chat with him. He said he had been keeping warm and went to a shelter for the colder nights last week. He said he was all geared up, but needed a sleeping mat and boots, as his were 7 years old and beginning to leak. We gave him a new pair of waterproof hiking boots and a mat before continuing.

At the Cobs on 4th there was a man sleeping with a sign that read "cold, wet, homeless, hopeless. Please help". We approached him but he asked us politely to leave and he didn't take anything.

We saw P on his normal corner and gave him some food. Further down near the entrance of the whole foods we saw R again, who took a packet and food but not clothing.

We saw W under the Granville bridge again. He seemed to be in good spirits, however his sentences were somewhat disjointed, and it was difficult to understand what he was saying. He took food and a packet. He looked as though he needed a sleeping bag but declined the offer.

Further up, there was a tent set up under the bridge closer to Fir. It looked like the same set up as where we met R back in December, however if anyone was home, they did not respond to us. We left some food and a packet.

We met J on 10th and Fir. He took a jacket, packet, food and a mat. He was extremely grateful and thought that what we are doing is incredible. We also saw E in the alley behind MacDonald's on

Broadway. E called out down the alley "B! They are here". It was nice to know they have begun to anticipate our arrival, much like those at the fence. B told us he goes by the alias B sometimes. They took food and packets, and B also took a pair of gloves.

After we had finished our outing, I went down to the Save-on-foods on 41st and Dunbar. There was a man out-front playing his guitar and he looked cold. I asked if he was living on the street, and he confirmed he was, so I offered him one of the sleeping bags I had left in my car from our outing that morning. I told him about the program and what we do. I asked if he would like us to drop by this location next Saturday and he said that would be fantastic. He said his name was S and he was very grateful for the sleeping bag.

Respectfully submitted by Casey on behalf of team 4