

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

DATES TO NOTE

Today	Annual Vestry Meeting, 11:30 am, Fireside Room
Mon. Feb. 24	Monday Mantras, 10:00 am, Garden Room
Wed. Feb. 26	Ash Wednesday Service with imposition of Ashes, 7:00 pm, Church
Sun. Mar. 1	Family Service, 10:00 am, Church
Sun. Mar. 1	Parish lunch, 11:45 am, Gym
Mon. Mar. 2	Monday Mantras, 10:00 am, Garden Room
Mon. Mar. 2	Lenten Study Series, 7:00 pm, Upstairs Meeting Room
Mon. Mar. 9	Monday Mantras, 10:00 am, Garden Room
Mon. Mar. 9	Lenten Study Series, 7:00 pm, Church
Tues. Mar. 10*	Parish Council, 7:30 pm, Garden Room , date changed to accommodate Spring Break
Sat. Mar. 14	Kairos Blanket Exercise, 10 am, Fireside Room
Mon. Mar. 16	Monday Mantras, 10:00 am, Garden Room
Mon. Mar. 16	Lenten Study Series, 7:00 pm, Church



MESSAGE FROM THE WARDENS

From the
Wardens

We would like to address Stuart Hallam's medical stress leave that he announced at the end of the service on Sunday Feb. 16. Stuart referred to stress leave for issues related to PTSD. All four wardens, the Archbishop and the Diocese support Stuart in his need to attend to his mental health. Bring your concerns to the wardens, with the understanding that confidentiality means that we may not be able to answer all your questions. Let us move forward with empathy and mutual support. Keep Stuart in your prayers, just as we are in his.

We are blessed to have experienced, capable support in two priests who will fill in for Stuart over the next four weeks: Harold Munn, a parishioner and our interim priest until May 2018, and Peter Elliott, recently retired Dean of Christ Church Cathedral. Peter Elliott will chair our Vestry meeting on Sunday Feb. 23rd and Harold Munn will start the Lenten Series for Stuart.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING TODAY

St Philip's annual Vestry Meeting is this Sunday after the 10:00 am service, with a light lunch served. Please attend this annual general meeting of the parish which is an essential process of welcoming new leadership, reviewing the past year, and looking forward to the next. Become a closer member of the parish, share your thoughts, listen and learn, and meet more parishioners. Everyone is strongly encouraged to attend Vestry. St Philip's runs on its people. Join in.





ANNUAL REPORTS

The Annual Reports have been printed and physical copies are available to collect in the Narthex. Please bring your copy to the Annual Vestry Meeting, which follows the 10 am service this Sunday.

PALM CROSSES

Please remember to bring any palm crosses you may have to the Church and place them in the basket in the Narthex. The palms will be burnt in preparation for Ash Wednesday.



EUCCHARISTIC PRACTICE DURING THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK



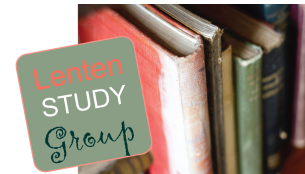
The Diocese of New Westminster has issued directives for safe Eucharistic practice during the coronavirus outbreak. From today going forward, as well as observing proper cleaning practices, we are being directed NOT to intinct at Communion due to the increased possibility of fingers contaminating the Communion wine, and to exchange the Peace without physical contact. If you wish to refrain from using the shared chalice, know that accepting the bread

alone constitutes full communion. For more information, follow the link below:

www.vancouver.anglican.ca/news/important-information-about-the-coronavirus-and-the-eucharist

LENTEN STUDY SERIES

This year's study series is based on the book *How to be a Bad Christian... And a Better Human Being* by Dave Tomlinson. The Lenten Study Series will be held on Mondays at 7:00 pm, March 2 - April 5. The first session on Monday, March 2nd will be held in the Upstairs Meeting Room. Subsequent sessions will be held in the prayer square in the Sanctuary. The first sessions will be led by Harold Munn.



TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for 2019 are available in the office and will also be available on Vestry Sunday after which unclaimed envelopes will be mailed. If you can take a package to someone who can't get to church, you will save us the postage.

For those who made a pledge for 2019, envelopes include two forms which have similar lists of numbers. Both, unfortunately, are headed "Contribution Summary" (an artifact of the computer program). One is a comparison of the pledge and the actual donation. The other states that it is an official tax receipt. If your donation was given in the form of securities or shares, these donations are processed by the Diocese of New Westminster, and the tax receipt will be issued separately by the Diocese. Paul Harrison, Envelope Secretary

HEAD GARDENER

The South Garden and lawns present our face to the community. Ann Kent has retired from this role to move with her husband Don to the Island. We seek a head gardener who would love to oversee the garden's care: monitor the watering system with Coastal Irrigation, set up the major upkeep by NLC, manage the annual budget, and rally a team of volunteer gardeners. This role does not have to be physically taxing but rather one of planning and coordination. Contact the wardens if you want to take this on. We really need you! debbiematheson53@gmail.com; dasbragg@gmail.com





SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

At Parish Council meetings, it was decided to have one rummage sale this year on May 30th. We seek a couple of coordinators to pull it together, and then of course a team of helpers. Debbie Matheson can take a leadership role as a coordinator. Who else will step up with me? Let's make it happen. Come and find me at coffee hour on Sundays. debbiematheson53@gmail.com

NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY

The Neighbourhood Ministry has started collecting again! We are looking for donations of the following items:

- Canned meat and fish - this is our greatest need!
- Soft protein bars (no seeds, nuts or granola) eg Pure protein bars; Costco and Save on Foods sell them.
- Soft cereal bars - like Nutrigrain bars (no nuts, seeds, granola)
- Compostable spoons
- Sleeping bags and mats
- Tarps
- New underwear for men, size M & L



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR METRO VANCOUVER HOMELESS COUNT- March 3rd and 4th

The annual Metro Vancouver Homeless Count is happening on the night of March 3rd and day of March 4th. Each year, the Westside Anglicans Neighbourhood Ministry has provided volunteers for this important event, and we hope you will consider volunteering. No previous experience required. Visit this website for more information and to sign up. <https://vancouver.ca/people-programs/homeless-count.aspx>

Neighbourhood Ministry Report for February 15, 2020

This Saturday was a lovely sunny morning. The packets, sandwiches, fruit, and donations were supplied by St. Philip's indoor team. The outdoor team was made up of Mary, Rhona, Dorine, Casey and Sidney. Our first stop was the fence at Highbury and 4th. We saw T, M, D and B. They all took food and packets, and M took some rain pants. T also let us know that W, another regular at the fence, is in the hospital right now.

We surprisingly didn't see anyone else on 4th. We didn't find anyone under the Granville bridge, in the school board park, the Granville bus loop park, or the alley behind McDonalds on Broadway.

We saw S on Granville and 13th. He took a sleeping bag, and some gloves.

We didn't find anyone down Broadway either. Since it was such a quiet morning and we had so much food and donations left we decided to head over to Kerrisdale.

We met a fellow on 41st and Yew who was happy to take some food.

We met another fellow on 41st across from the McDonalds outside the liquor store named D who took some food as well.

Last, we stopped and saw B outside St. Helen's but he didn't accept anything this time.

It was a quiet street outreach shift in comparison to most shifts, but it was lovely to have a new volunteer join the team.

Submitted by Sidney, on behalf of Team 4



LOST & FOUND

Ever wondered where you left your umbrella? Take a look in the umbrella stands. Coat? Glasses? Dig through the lost & found box under the mailboxes (between the Gym and Noah's Ark). Unclaimed items will be given to the needy after a month. Valuable items such as jewellery and wallets are stored in the office for safe keeping. There's even a lovely bicycle carefully locked up outside. Contact Beth (manager@stpdonbar.com) if you have misplaced something valuable.

LENT MADNESS AND SUPREME SAINTLY SELECTOR COMPETITION IS BACK!

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. Participants are 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. On the weekdays of Lent, information is posted at 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. The winner is awarded the coveted Golden Halo.

Parish Manager Beth has created a friendly competition for those interested in vying for "Supreme Saintly Selector" and winning the kitschy trophy on display in her office. Simply email Beth each weekday with the name of the saint you voted for. Whoever is the most accurate selector of the winning saints will win the trophy. Beth Vondette manager@stpdonbar.com

