

April 1/2, 2017

**St. Mark's Anglican Church
"The Friendly Church"**



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Mission Statement

Living to the glory of God

Please remember that St. Mark's is a scent-free and peanut-free church to enable everyone to worship and enjoy fellowship comfortably.

Assisted Listening Devices available upon request

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SERVICES FOR THIS WEEKEND: April 1/2

Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS FOR THIS WEEKEND: April 1/2

Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Harold Press
Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Glen Roebathan
Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Fraser Davidson, Louise Rice

GIFT BEARERS FOR THIS SUNDAY: April 2

Clarence & Yvonne Randell

AUDIO TECHNICIAN FOR THIS SUNDAY: April 2

Jessie Young

USHERS FOR THIS SUNDAY: April 2

Team 1 – Captain: Gerry Bowers

HOSPITALITY TEAM FOR THIS SUNDAY: April 2

Gerald & Heather Bowers, Kim Petley, Jean White

SERVICES FOR NEXT WEEKEND: April 8/9

Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS FOR NEXT WEEKEND: April 8/9

Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Andrew Major
Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Carol Penney
Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Clarence Randell, Mary White

AUDIO TECHNICIAN FOR NEXT SUNDAY: April 9

Dennis Peters

USHERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:
Team 2 – Captain: Harvey Young

April 9

HOSPITALITY TEAM FOR NEXT SUNDAY: April 9
Yvonne Randell, Hazel & Max Baldwin, Patti MacPherson

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 2

2:00 p.m. Yoga

Monday, April 3

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m. C.L.B.

Tuesday, April 4

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

8:00 p.m. Senior Choir Practice

Wednesday, April 5

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

10:00 a.m. ANC Moms & Tots

2:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist (LTCF)

7:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

A.C.W. Meeting to follow worship

Thursday, April 6

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (BRC)

12:15 p.m. Lenten Lunch

4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

Friday, April 7

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

Saturday, April 8

5:00 p.m. Saturday Worship

6:30 p.m. Baptism Rehearsal

DAILY OFFICES DURING LENT

In keeping with our focus on spirituality this year, we are offering the opportunity for parishioners to engage in a regular discipline of prayer during the season of Lent. Therefore, March 2 - April 7, 2017, St. Mark's will be keeping the daily offices of Morning Prayer (Monday to Friday at 8:15 a.m.) and Evening Prayer (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.). A booklet of the offices and a schedule of daily readings will be made available to those who wish to take this on as a Lenten discipline here at the church or at home on your own. You can speak with Rev. Robert or Father Mark if you have any questions.

THIS IS MY STORY - LENTEN LUNCHESES

On Thursdays from 12:15 – 1:15 p.m., come and hear a variety of speakers share how faith has helped them overcome obstacles in their lives. You are invited to join us at St. Mark's for a brown bag lunch and a guest speaker. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions.

April 6: The Rev. Derrick Bishop

EVENING PRAYER ON WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

On Wednesday evenings, as part of the Evening Prayer at 7:30, we will hear a variety of speakers share their reflections on what it means to keep a simple Lent. The speakers are as follows:

- April 5: Lisa Payne, Life Coach and Queen's College Ordination Student

PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYER

Elaine Yetman

Robert & Elaine Young

Lynn Zurel

James & Jessie Young

Harvey Young & Arlene Dicks

A.C.W. MEETING

The next meeting of the A.C.W. will take place on Wednesday, April 5, following the 7:30 Evening Prayer.

EASTER MEMORIALS

Again this year, for those wishing to give a memorial gift in honor of a family member or friend, or as an act of thanksgiving, we will offer a number of options.

FLOWERS: With Easter being the prime celebration of our church it is most appropriate to have a glorious display of flowers on this particular day. Contributions to the Flower Fund will be used by the Altar Guild to purchase the flowers that are used for the decorating of the church.

VIRGINIA PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE SUMMER BREAKFAST

PROGRAM: Once school is out for the summer, there are no school breakfast or lunch programs for the children of Virginia Park Elementary School. The summer breakfast program lessens the burden this causes for lower income families.

TECHNOLOGY FUND: Contributions to this fund will help us with upgrades to our audiovisual system and office equipment.

If you would like to contribute to either of the above please contact Tara at the church office (726-3213). You may also place your contributions and necessary information in an envelope and put it in the offering plate. Information must be submitted to the office by Monday, April 10.

MONTHLY WORSHIP AT LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

Volunteers are reminded that the monthly worship at the Long Term Care Facility will take place at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

The next Confirmation class will take place at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, April 9.

SAINT LUKE'S HOMES VOLUNTEER RECEPTION

Volunteers of Saint Luke's Homes are invited to a Volunteer Reception on Tuesday, April 25, from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. in the Southview Lounge. Please confirm your attendance on or before April 18 (phone 752-8900).

PASTORAL CARE AT EASTERN HEALTH

Pastoral/Spiritual Care is available to all who enter an Eastern Health facility. To avail of this ministry of the church, upon admission, you (or your next of kin) will be asked if you would like to receive pastoral care. If you answer 'yes' and state your denomination you will be added to the list of patients to be visited by the chaplain and/or pastoral visitor. If you answer 'no' your choice will be respected and you will not receive a pastoral visit. Should you later change your mind please advise the nurse or the Pastoral Care office at 777-6959. Chaplains are bound by the Protection of Information Act. Chaplains can only advise your parish clergy of your admission with your consent.

For the past three years the Anglican, Roman Catholic, Salvation Army and United Church denominations have worked together to provide a First Call Chaplain for afterhours calls (5 p.m. – 7 a.m.) at the Health Sciences, Miller Centre, St. Clare's and Waterford Hospitals. The chaplain on call will respond and can make contact with the denominational chaplain if requested or needed. The denominational chaplain will continue to visit during regular daytime hours (7 a.m. – 5 p.m.).

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The Passion with the Liturgy of the Palms

Saturday, April 8 at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 9 at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Today Jesus entered the Holy City of Jerusalem in triumph. His path was lined with palms and shouts of praise but lead to self-giving, suffering and death.

Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Walking around the church, we stop at fourteen stations to reflect upon various points of our Lord's Passion and death.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday worship

On the night before his death Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. Foot washing is done in the context of the Eucharist. The altar is stripped in preparation for Good Friday.

9:00 p.m. to midnight – Gethsemane Watch

Jesus said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

Good Friday

Friday, April 14, at 9:30 a.m. - Children's Liturgy

12 noon - The Celebration of the Lord's Passion

A time to remember the great price Jesus paid as he willingly stretched his arms on the cross for those he loved.

Easter Vigil

Saturday, April 15, at 7:30 p.m.

This is the first service of Easter and includes the Service of Light, the Renewal of Baptismal Vows (possibly a Baptism) and Holy Eucharist.

Easter Day

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Sunday, April 16 at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

St. Mark's Sunday School Lenten Giving Campaign

Blessing Bags for the homeless in partnership with The Gathering Place

Goal: To fill 50 large ziploc bags with essential everyday items

How parishioners can help:

Assemble a complete kit. Make it a meaningful activity with your child/grandchild/little friend to put together a complete care package for a man or a woman. You know you're done when the bag is full!

Donate items. Provide multiples of one/several items. For example, box of granola bars, tea bags or other food items individually wrapped, small tissue packs, chap sticks, toothpaste, gloves....

Ideas for items??? Think compact.... chap stick, tissue packs, wipes, gloves, hand-warmers, socks, band-aids, first aid kit (travel sized), shampoo, body wash, toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, deodorant, instant oatmeal packs, gum, raisins, peanuts, crackers, energy bar, hot cocoa, tea packets, on-the-go coffee mixes, beef jerky sticks, etc.

Sunday School children will insert encouraging messages.

Deadline for items: Sunday, April 9, 2017.