# 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 peanutfree church to enable everyone to worship and enjoy fellowship comfortably.

Assisted Listening Devices available upon request

# St. Mark's Church – St. John's, Newfoundland February 4/5, 2017

SERVICES FOR THIS WEEKEND: February 4/5

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

**EUCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS FOR THIS WEEKEND:** February 4/5

Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Harold Press

Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Elizabeth Prince

Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Fraser Davidson, Louise Rice

**GIFT BEARERS FOR THIS SUNDAY:** February 5

**Art King & June Churchill King** 

AUDIO TECHNICIAN FOR THIS SUNDAY: February 5

**Robin Peters** 

<u>USHERS FOR THIS SUNDAY:</u> February 5

**Team 1 – Captain: Gerry Bowers** 

**HOSPITALITY TEAM FOR THIS SUNDAY:** February 5

Vi Drover, Shirley White, Joan Butler

SERVICES FOR NEXT WEEKEND: February 11/12

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

**EUCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS FOR NEXT WEEKEND: February 11/12** 

Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Jacob Morgan Sunday – 8:30 a.m. Howard Hodder

Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Clarence Randell, Mary White

**AUDIO TECHNICIAN FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** February 12

**Joel Cox** 

USHERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Team 2 - Captain: Harvey Young

**HOSPITALITY TEAM FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** February 12

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No Tea/Coffee Hour that Sunday

**EVENTS FOR THE WEEK** 

Sunday, February 5

2:00 p.m. Yoga

Monday, February 6

1:30 p.m. Archives Group Meeting

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

Tuesday, February 7

8:00 p.m. Senior Choir Practice

Wednesday, February 8

10:00 a.m. ANC Moms & Tots Group

1:30 p.m. Bible Study

7:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Thursday, February 9

1:00 p.m. Rev. Robert teaching at Queen's

Saturday, February 11

5:00 p.m. Saturday Worship

**VESTRY MEETING** 

The next meeting of the Vestry will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 8.

PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYER

Clarence & Yvonne Randell Montford & Eleanor Ransome

Denise Rees Reginald & Marina Reid

Ron & Bea Reid Chantelle Reid-Walsh & Ray Walsh

Nancy & Dwayne Renouf Janet Richards

Donald & Carolyn Rideout Effie Riggs

#### **COLD PLATE FUNDRAISER – ST. MARK'S C.L.B.**

St. Mark's C.L.B. will be holding a Cold Plate Fundraiser on Sunday, February 12. The price of the cold plates, which will include a pop and cookie, will be \$10.00 each. There will be a pre-order form posted on the table at St. Mark's and they can be paid for on pickup day. Pick up will be at St. Mark's Church between 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m. All monies raised from this fundraiser will support our C.L.B. youth programming. We thank you in advance for your continued support.

#### **ARCHIVES GROUP MEETING**

The next meeting of the Archives Group will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, February 6.

### **BIBLE STUDY - FEBRUARY 2017**

During February The Rev. Dr. Alex Faseruk will conduct a study of the Epistle to the Galatians, often referred to as simply Galatians. It is the ninth book of the New Testament and was written by the Apostle Paul to the early Christian community in Galatia. Paul's concern is primarily with the controversy surrounding Gentile Christians and Mosaic Law during the Apostolic Age. He argues that Gentile Christians do not need to adhere to the tenets of the Mosaic Law by contextualizing the role of the Law in the light of the revelation of Christ. Galatians is an important book that has exerted enormous influence on the history of Christianity, the development of Christian theology, and the study of the Apostle Paul. The study will be conducted on four consecutive Wednesdays (February 1, 8, 15 and 22) from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. at St. Mark's.

#### MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY: PLEASANT VIEW TOWERS

On the first Wednesday of each month St. Mark's leads a service of Holy Eucharist at Pleasant View Towers. We have a team of people from the St. Mark's parish community who give of their time to provide music and singing, assist with communion and porter residents to and from worship. This is an important ministry and one that the residents truly do appreciate. Their smiles are bright, their singing is heavenly and their faith is strong. We are currently looking for people who would like to be a part of this ministry to seniors. If you are interested or have any further questions, please speak to Rev. Robert or contact him at 726-3213.

# SUPPORTING ST. MARK'S THROUGH E-GIVING

Over the month of February we will be focusing on e-giving. As you may or may not know you can give to St. Mark's through direct debit, Visa and MasterCard. This is a convenient way for you to give and a great way for the parish to ensure a stable monthly financial foundation on which to operate. We currently have about 180 contributors who give using one of these methods. We have set a goal to increase this number to 200, which represents 50% of the parish using some form of e-giving. Because we take financial management very seriously, we have negotiated a contract with a new merchant services provider. This will mean both lower service charges (more money stays with the parish) and added security for your personal information. We thank you for your continued support and firmly believe that you value the great things that are happening at St. Mark's. You have proved your generosity time and time again. Now we only ask that you please take some time to consider changing the way in which you financially support the ministry of St. Mark's.

# **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 one your own. You can speak with Rev. Robert or Father Mark if you have any questions.

#### **CFUW'S 2017 GREAT BIG USED BOOK SALE**

**Book Collection Times:** 

Sunday 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Monday 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Friday 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Note: We are closed from Tuesday to Thursday each week.

Location: Woodgate Plaza, 58 Kenmount Rd. Use entrance west of Toys R Us

We take most gently used books including Children's Books. We cannot take Encyclopedia, Readers' Digest Condensed Books, Textbooks, Magazines and outdated Technology Manuals.

We will sell your books at the Arts and Culture Centre, from Tuesday, March 28 –Thursday, March 30, to help fund scholarships and other educational/community outreach projects. Details TBA. We appreciate the community's continued support, as do the students who receive our scholarships!

# **FESTIVAL OF PRAISE**

The Canadian Bible Society Newfoundland & Labrador District will be holding a Festival of Praise on Sunday, February 26, 2017, at 2:30 p.m. at the Salvation Army Citadel on Adams Ave. Local choirs and worship teams involved. Come join us for this special time in support of the Canadian Bible Society. All are welcome!