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The Church of All Saints Mission has a vision of being a vital, joyful source of the grace of God where individuals are respected, feel safe to worship, and are spiritually energized to live out God's purpose for their lives.

Rector's Ramblings

Greetings to one and all! I hope your summer has been happy and safe, and you were able to enjoy some Rest and Relaxation. My holidays were very restful (even though it was hot and quite smoky). We now look towards the Fall and getting back into our regular routines. At All Saints we have a busy Fall coming up. To highlight just a few events: 1) Sun. Sept. 10 "Ministry Fair and Potluck". Here is an opportunity for all of us to see the Ministries that go on at All Saints, and to sign up and participate in them. There are quite a number to choose from, and if you have a new ministry you would like to start



please come and see me about it! 2) Sun. Sept. 24 "Service and Walk-a-thon in the Park". I hope you all have this marked on your calendar. It is a 10am start. Sept. 24 is also the 'Walk for Reconciliation' in Vancouver. We can do our walk here in solidarity with the walkers in Vancouver. Please don't forget to get pledges for the walk as this is a major fundraising event for ministry at All Saints. Last year a good time was had by all! 3) Oct. 29 "Reformation Sunday". This year (2017) marks the 500th anniversary of the official start of the Protestant Reformation. I will be offering a study on the Protestant Reformation on the Saturdays in Oct., 10am-12pm.

As we begin our Fall programming and our groups get started up once again I would like to give a great big THANKS to all those who are co-ordinating our ministries at All Saints. It takes a great deal of time and effort to keep All Saints running smoothly. I also want to thank all of you who are involved in any way in ministry at All Saints. Your involvement contributes to the building up of All Saints' community, and is a witness that All Saints is a vibrant and safe community.

God Bless Paul Bowie+



Regular Servíces

Sunday: 8:00am - Spoken Service Sunday: 9:30am - Family Service BAS with Music Sunday School $2^{nd} \& 4^{th}$ Sundays. Thursday Morning Eucharist: 10:00amFriday: 9am - 10:30am - Centering Prayer

Childrens' Area & Mother's Room

Healing Prayer offered during Communion or after the Worship Service.

The deadline for submissions for the next edition of 'Saints Alive' is <u>October 25, 2017.</u> Thank you for your contributions to the newsletter.

Resuming in September

Pancake Breakfast, Choir Practice, Bible Study, Sunday School, and Parish Council.

**Parish Council date changes: Council will meet Sept. 17th and Oct. 15th. Please mark your calendars.

Edítor of Saínts Alíve

As good stewards we know that everything we have, everything we are or ever will be is a gift of a loving, generous God. In keeping with the teaching of Jesus, we are called by our baptism to be sharers of our faith, our prayers, our time allotted to us, our talent and our money. Think of us this way – As Servants of Christ and Stewards of God's Mysteries. *1Corinthians 4:1*

At All Saints we have many opportunities to live out our faith as stewards of God's many blessings. Our Ministry Fair will be on September 10th. Be sure to mark your calendars and speak with the coordinators. You may be surprised where God is calling you to serve.



Stewardship of Time

A true understanding of stewardship begins with taking care of and sharing the gift of time. In a busy society like ours, time is one of the most precious possessions we have. How we spend our time is perhaps the clearest indication of our progress in a life of Christian discipleship. Some people say "time is money". Time is much more valuable than money! We have all had the experience of wasting money on poor purchases or bad

decisions. We recover from that, but not so with time. Time once spent can never be recovered. God gives us the present as gift to use as good stewards.

Stewardship of time is more than inviting people to spend a few hours volunteering in the parish. It is helping people to look at their lives, 24 hours each day, as an opportunity to serve the Lord and to build up the Kingdom. Stewardship is a life-long process; following Jesus is the work of a lifetime.

Stewardship of Talent

Stewardship means being accountable for all God's gifts. Stewardship of the gift of talent means nurturing, developing and using the God-given abilities to help define "who we are" as unique individuals. Our talents are the special blessings that each of us has received from a loving Creator who values the diversity and abundant variety of all creation.

When we volunteer to work for our parish or help our neighbor, we share "who we are" for the good of others. The Holy Spirit fires our passion to use our talents. For instance, some are passionate about the cause of the poor while others may be passionate about praying and visiting with the sick. What is your talent?

Stewardship of Treasure

Many of the parables of Jesus speak to us about money or material possessions: the lost coin, the widow's mite, the buried treasure in the field, the rich young man, and the Good Samaritan who gives two silver pieces to the innkeeper. Jesus talks about money because he knows how personal it is to us.

Stewardship of treasure is not about giving to a need, but rather it is about the need to give. Stewardship is living out a commitment to be Christ-centered rather than self-centered. It is important for us to share our money and our material possessions because all the good things that God has made are meant to be shared. We need to return thanks to a loving God for the many blessings we have received.

How much am I expected to give? The question Stewardship asks is, "How much do we want to give!" This means giving from the heart as a faith response.

Who is a Good Steward?

Stewardship is about our response to God's invitation to discipleship. It is what we do after we say, "We believe." A good Steward is:

- one who returns God's gifts with increase to the Lord
- one who gives joyfully in thanksgiving for all God's gifts
- one who lives out Christ's instruction to "love one another as I have loved you"
- one who is respectful of Creation
- one who is Christ-centered rather than self-centered

Blessings, Donna Kennedy





Renew in me your Spirit. Give me the strength and courage to become a better follower of Jesus, to be disciple. Help me hear the call to "Come, Follow Me. I give glory to you, my God, as I make stewardship a way of life. Amen.



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ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH ANNUAL

WALK-RUN-BIKE-ATHON

Join us once again for a wonderful fun day

Sunday, September 24, 2017

Place: Heritage Park Place Clubhouse

33751 - Seventh Avenue

Time: 10:00 a.m. - Church Service

11:00 a.m. - Walk-Run-Bike-athon

12:30 p.m. - Picnic Lunch



This is our 4th Annual event and thanks to all your hard work last year it was such a success that we raised just over \$5,000. Once again, we will use the clubhouse at Heritage Park and we will start the morning with a church service at the clubhouse, followed by the Walk-Run-Bike-athon through the park (maps to be provided), and then back to the clubhouse for lunch. All the food will be provided by the organizers and once again our two chefs will be manning the barbecue to cook the Hamburgers and Hot Dogs.

The pledge sheets are being handed out now and throughout the summer so that you have the time to collect pledges and be ready for September 24th so please make sure that you are registered and have a pledge sheet so that you can get started collecting pledges. Let's see if we can beat last years' total.

Saint Francis of Assisi

BLESSING OF PETS

All Saints Anglican Church

October 1, 2017 4:00pm



Christmas Vendor Craft Fair Event - November 25th 10am – 3pm.

For the fifth year in a row we will be hosting the Christmas Vendor Craft Fair Event at All Saints. Tables will be rented out for outside groups and Crafters to come in and sell their wares. Tables will still be \$25 each and for an additional \$5 electricity will be supplied. In past years we have had several Crafters with baking, sewing and crafts of all types to sell for Christmas. As well as Tupperware, Discovery Toys, Scensy, and much more. As well we have had a concession for all to enjoy!!! Each Vendor will be asked to donate one item for our Raffle Basket. Profits from the Raffle will be donated to a Community Outreach program.

Tell your friends and family all about it! Come on down and see the great items for sale and pick some up for Christmas! We have sold out our tables every year!

If you are interested in getting a table Call the Church Office at 604-826-2814 for more information and registration forms. Or Contact Leanne La Chapelle or Polly Betterton for more details!



<u>God's Bounty</u>

Harvest Thanksgiving October 8th

The Altar Guild is requesting donations of fruits, vegetables, flowers and non-perishable goods to decorate the church for our Harvest Thanksgiving display. Drop off donations to the church Saturday morning October 7th . Decorating begins at 12:30

(following the Protestant Reformation study session). ALSO wanted are donations of flowers and fall foliage. Come and help Decorate.

Please contact Polly Betterton if you are willing to help. The non- perishable food goes to Mission Community Services Food Bank and perishable food to a needy group Sunday afternoon.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

For the Life of the World Retreats October 2017

For the Life of the World (Pro Mundi Vita)

A uniquely Anglican Spiritual Formation Retreat for the Next Generation 2017 Retreat Weekends: on-line Registration

October 13-15 Weekend (Register by Sept. 29)

October 27-29 Weekend

(Register by Oct. 13)

Participation in a Spiritual Retreat suggests something about what we believe about God. That is, we believe that we are met by God when we step away from our everyday situation. Spiritual retreat is a "third place": it is outside of our home and our church. It can provide a unique lens on these more routine places and provide insight and renewal for us to re-enter these more ordinary places with renewed vigor.

One of the goals of the For the Life of the World (Pro Mundi Vita) Retreat is to meet people where they are and to respond to their needs, in order that they might better encounter God and be equipped to further their spiritual journeys.

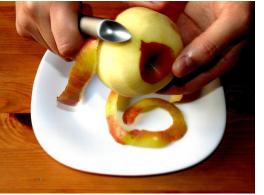
The format of the Retreat supports spiritual formation through personal encounters with God through the power of the Holy Spirit. Using creative structured exercises, music and art, each individual is empowered to reflect on her or his own faith journey, to experience refreshment in common prayer, to encounter Christ in the Scriptures, and to seek a time of contemplative rest in God and in community.

The invitation is now **open to 25 people** who desire spiritual growth and who want to shape the development of a new and unique program. The two retreats will take place at Camp Elphinstone, Gibson's, BC.

This subsidized two-night retreat includes all meals/snacks and materials. The facilities are modern cabins that include a common lounge, private showers and rooms with bunk beds; two people per room. Participants need to bring their own bedding and towels. Each participant is asked to contribute \$30 towards the cost. Evaluation of the weekend experience will be an important contribution to the success of this unique Pilot Project.

Contact: The Reverend Eric Mason or Pamela Mcelheran

Click to access the event posting on the diocesan website



Tuesday, November 7th - 6:00pm

Please come and help peel apples for the preparation of the Mincemeat for our Bazaar on Nov. 18th. More hands make less work! We always have a great time socializing as we work. If you haven't joined us before come and see the process of preparing Mincemeat.

Donations of firm baking apples are welcome; a bag or a box, all will help. Thank you.



Wednesday, November 15th - 6pm

We need 8 volunteers to bottle the prepared Mincemeat. Please let Judy or Colleen know if you can help out.



Chrístmas Bazaar & Tea





Our annual Bazaar will be Saturday November 18, 2017 from noon until 3:00 p.m.

More in next "Saints Alive!"

There are MANY ways to be part of this Parish Event. ALL DONATIONS ACCEPTED & APPRECIATED

Mark the date on your calendar now. Plan to participate, so it is another "successful social event."

5th Annual Festíval of Trees



Dramatic Reading of Charles Dickens

"A Christmas Carol"



"AN EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY"

In support of the Mission Christmas Bureau, All Saints Anglican Church will host the 2017 Festival of Trees and a Dramatic Reading of Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol", Tuesday December 5th to Saturday December 9th, 2017; Tuesday to Friday from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm, and Saturday, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm and the Dramatic Reading in the evening at 7:00 pm.

Decorated Christmas trees will be displayed and voted on by all visitors to the Festival of Trees. Admission to the Festival of Trees and the Dramatic Reading will be by cash donation. There will be musical entertainment provided while folks are enjoying the beautiful trees; children's activities in the afternoons; and seasonal refreshments for all. On special days and times, have your picture taken with Santa in Santa's Grotto among the beautiful trees.

Recognition, and People's Choice Awards and the total funds raised for the Mission Christmas Bureau will be announced on the Saturday evening during the intermission of Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol" Dramatic Reading, which takes place at 7:00 pm on Saturday, December 9th. After the event, all decorated trees, donated non-perishable food items and gifts, will be donated to the Christmas Bureau to be distributed to families in Mission.

Registration Forms to enter a decorated Christmas tree may be obtained from All Saints Church Office, 33077 2nd Avenue, Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 am to 12:00 noon, or from Joy Cox (604-556-6069) or Margaret Peake (604-556-6976), or email at <u>JMJmission@telus.net</u>.

(Early Bird Registration: \$20.00 ~ After November 17, 2017: \$25.00)

CHILDRENS' PROGRAMS

December 5-9, 2017 ~ Tuesday-Friday 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Saturday 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Join us for Christmas crafts; help decorate a tree; enjoy the music, a story, and a snack.

You may also enjoy a visit to Santa's Grotto

The 2017 Festival of Trees and Dramatic Reading of Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol" will be dedicated as a "Thank-You" to Phil Hope for his many years of service with the Mission Christmas Bureau.

Message from a Vísítor

...there were four Nova Scotians who visited for the morning service. (We were wearing matching 'Coast to Coast 2017' red shirts.) I was the only Anglican among the three United Church people, but we all enjoyed the service. I am organist at my church here in Nova Scotia, and I enjoyed listening to your pianist; she was a very good player.

After the service we went downstairs for Coffee Hour, and almost immediately my husband struck up a conversation with a nice young man who introduced himself as Brent Boutilier. He was born, and spent his early years, in Boutilier's Point, a community only about 12 miles down the road from where we live! He and his wife sat at the table with us and we had a very pleasant visit...It's a small world, even in this large country!

Our visit to All Saints will remain as one of the very pleasant experiences we had while in BC.

Edith Steffens.

Request from Out-of-Towners

he Bice's of London Ontario need a "winter" apartment in Mission

Dear Parish of All Saints,

We are members of St. John the Evangelist Anglican church here in London, Ontario. We would like to be closer to our children who both have families in Mission B.C. Jennie Bice and her husband Joe Samorodin and daughter, Sofya live just down the street from your church. Indeed, as Jennie went into labour on Good Friday 13 years ago, we attended your service!!! We are considering living in Kincardine at the "cottage" from April to the beginning of November on a yearly basis and we would like to find a house/ condo/ living space that would include a studio space for my husband, Kevin who paints in oils etc. and uses turpentine..... We would like to spend November to April in Mission ——renting from people who would be "wintering" in the southern climes from November until April.....yearly who would like house sitters..... Is there anyone fitting that description in your Parish???? We don't smoke and we don't have pets. Our daughter, Jennie, is a musician and fiddle teacher, and our son , Jory Bice, is a web designer who moved from Toronto in 2016.

We look forward to hearing from you.....Our plans are on hold until we can figure out a way Daphne and Kevin Bice <u>www.kevinbice.com</u>

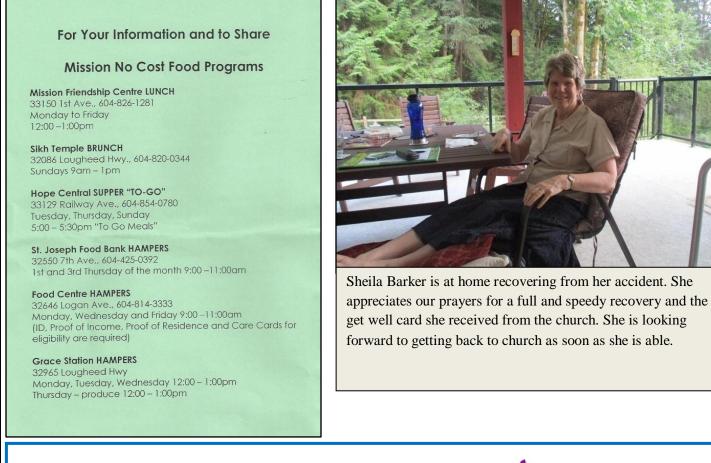


The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund is pleased to report it has received \$379,000 in donations toward famine relief. These funds will be matched 1:1 in the federal government's Famine Relief fund, which ran from March 17 to June 30 2017. Churches and individuals responded to the desperate need in amounts large and small. "Having just spent two weeks in East Africa, meeting with farmers, business people, government officials and church leaders, including those from Somalia,

Burundi, Kenya and South Sudan, I know the needs are high and that support is critical and life-saving,", says PWRDF's Executive Director Will Postma. "PWRDF, with our partners on the ground, are grateful for prayers and this funding, from all across Canada. It's an amazing show of support and solidarity."

The federal fund matching period has ended, but PWRDF is still accepting donations to its Famine Relief Fund as the need continues.

YOU CAN ALWAYS SUPPORT PWRDF by giving to 'Special Offering' when you give on any Sunday.



Thank you for your support of our July/August Community Outreach Basket: School Supplies for Ecole Mission Central Elementary School!!!

Coming in September/October: Bales for the North.



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Ongoing Outreach



Harvest Bags

Pre-Order and pay \$5.00 each bag by 2nd Friday of each month and pick up on 3rd Monday of each month at *Mission Community Services Food Centre*, between 11am and 12pm.

32646 Logan Avenue

Our international giving goal is achieved through your donations of refundable bottles and cans. Bottles and cans may be put in the wooden chest underneath the stairs outside the hall. Proceeds go a School that helps support and educate street children in Varanasi India. The work is called Basic Human Needs.

TRIM The Residence in Mission

We offer the residents and opportunity to receive the sacrament, worship and fellowship once a month. Please speak with Deacon Glen for more information



Did you know we have a tin for your dead batteries to be recycled?

Ed will take them to the recycling depot.



Pies, Pies, Pies!

The Holy Rollers are already anticipating the next pie making session sometime in the Fall. Now is the time to think about berries – blueberries, blackberries, strawberries, rhubarb, etc. If you are picking, freezing, etc. and would consider sharing some of your harvest it would be very much appreciated. This is our prime OUTREACH fundraising each year. Please speak with Colleen Keil (604-826-8812) or at Coffee Time.



Pancake Breakfast 8:30 - 9:20am

1st Sunday of the Month

Pancakes \$4.00 (\$3.50 Senior/Child) with coffee, tea, juice and fruit

Bacon & Sausage .50 each or 2/.75

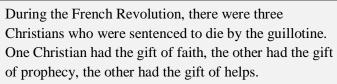
Scrambled Eggs 2/\$1.75

New Item: French toast 2 slices \$5.00

<u>Church Humour</u>







The Christian with the gift of faith was to be executed first. He was asked if he wanted to wear a hood over his head. He declined and said he was not afraid to die. "I have faith that God will deliver me!" he shouted bravely. His head was positioned under the guillotine, with his neck on the chopping block. He looked up at the sharp blade, said a short prayer and waited confidently. The rope was pulled, but nothing happened.

His executioners were amazed and, believing that this must have been an act of God, they freed the man.

The Christian with the gift of prophecy was next. His head was positioned under the guillotine blade and he too was asked if he wanted the hood.

"No," he said, "I am not afraid to die. However, I predict that God will deliver me from this guillotine!" At that, the rope was pulled and again, nothing happened. Once, again the puzzled executioners assumed this must be a miracle of God, and they freed the man.

The third Christian, with the gift of helps, was next. He was brought to the guillotine and likewise asked if he wanted to wear a hood.

"No," he said, "I'm just as brave as those other two guys." The executioners then positioned him face up under the guillotine and were about to pull the rope when the man stopped them. "Hey wait a minute," he said. "I think I just found the problem with your guillotine."











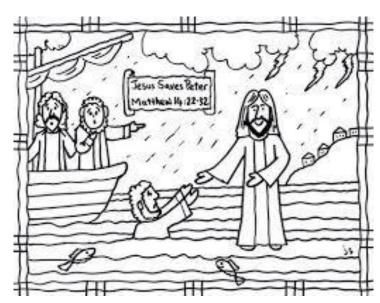
We All Need a Helping Hand!

Theme:

Jesus walks on the water. Proper 14 (19) **Scripture:**

Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" Matthew 14:31 (NIV)

Has there ever been a time in your life when you needed someone to give you a helping hand? Of course, there has! Can you name some? (Give them time to respond, then continue.) How about when you first began to try to tie your own shoes, did you need



someone to help you? It was probably your mother, wasn't it? She worked patiently with you until you were able to do it all by yourself. How about when you got your first bicycle, didn't your dad run along beside you and hold you up? When you began to learn to read, did you just pick up a book and start reading? Of course not, someone—probably a teacher—helped you learn. Did any of you need any help learning how to play soccer? There are always going to be times when you need a helping hand—even when you are grown!

This Bible lesson is about a time when the disciples of Jesus needed a helping hand — one disciple in particular whose name was Simon Peter.

It had been a long, hard day for Jesus and his disciples. After the disciples had helped Jesus feed more than five thousand people with only five loaves of bread and two small fish, Jesus told them to get into their boat and go on ahead of him to the other side of the lake. Jesus then went up on a mountainside to be alone and to pray. Later that evening, the disciples were quite far out onto the lake when the wind began to blow and the waves began to bounce their boat around on the water.

Shortly before dawn, Jesus went out to the disciples, walking on the water. When the disciples saw him, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they cried.

Jesus immediately spoke to them: "Don't be afraid! Take courage. I am here!"

Peter spoke up, "Lord, if it is really you, tell me to come to you, walking on the water."

"Yes, come," Jesus answered.

So, Peter climbed out of the boat and started walking on the water toward Jesus. But when he started looking around and saw the waves being blown about by the wind. He was afraid and he began to sink. "Lord, save me!" he cried.

Jesus reached out his hand and caught Peter. "Why did you doubt?" Jesus asked.

So, you see, even a grown-up fisherman like Simon Peter needed a hand from Jesus when it came to walking on the water. You and I may face some pretty rough times in our life, but as long as we keep our eyes on Jesus, he will always be there to give us a hand.

Father, help us to remember that you are always there when we need a helping hand. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.