

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
ST MARK & ST PHILIP
EASTER NEWSLETTER

The journey towards Easter is everyday, and we trace it through faith, thinking, and action, especially as we deal and minister to everyone no matter what race, color and background they came from. We marked the beginning of Lenten Season of this year through the imposition of ashes on Ash Wednesday, where we were encouraged to make self examination, penance and fervent prayer, most especially offering prayers for to attain peace and a harmonious society.

It is a forty days and nights journey with Jesus Christ. On this journey, many temptations will be encountered - yet we are protected and guided by Christ Himself due to our fervent prayers and pleas. Jesus Christ remained faithful to us in this journey and He will never forsake us as we immigrate to places, persons and institutions where we can share and do outreach works to everyone.

On Palm Sunday, we are all urge to join our church on a Procession of Witness and to Commemorate the Triumphal entry of Jesus to Jerusalem. As immigrants on earth, we are all pilgrims on a journey and prophets of the future not our own. The houses we live in will be someone else's tomorrow. The road we travelled will be traversed by others. And so we strive to make this world a better place than when we first found it knowing that we will take nothing but memories and leave nothing but footprints. As Christians, we strive to leave a legacy of good deeds, to build the church on a foundation so that the faith once delivered to the saints will flourish from generation to generation, continually pointing to that eternal Kingdom whose Builder and Maker is God.

After the Holy Week journey, the pain, deception, mocking and the fierce death of Jesus on our behalf, we let everything dark and bad things in our lives died and we are looking for our own Resurrection on the Great Easter. God bless us all and may we all find Jesus as He will come to our own lives.

Padi Joey+

ANNUAL MEETING

The Parish's Annual Meeting was held on Sunday, Feb. 26th, with approximately 24 people attending. Leslie Miles and Marilyn Croot were elected to Parish Council. A balanced Budget proposal for 2017 was put forth by our Treasurer, but this can only be achieved by withdrawing funds from the Lamb fund, as our revenues have been shrinking in recent times.

If you did not receive a copy of the Annual Meeting report package, please contact the office and request one.

BUTTERFLY TEA & BAZAAR

The Anglican Parish of St. Mark and St. Philip ACW will be holding their Annual Butterfly Tea and Bazaar on Saturday May 6th from 1:00- 3:00 PM. Sewing, knitting and crafts will be welcomed. Baking is a biggie - two to three items for the bake table and one slice for the tea room would be greatly appreciated. Donations of jams and jellies are also welcome, as well as gently used garden supplies and decorations, & jewelry. Help is needed on Friday night, May 5th at 7 PM to set up, and on

Saturday before, during and after the tea. If you can help, please call Joyce Setters at (403) 249-3797. Proceeds have assisted a number of charities over the years, including our own Rector's Discretionary Fund, so please let your friends know about May 6th! The cost remains a very reasonable \$5 per person.

EASTER CALENDAR

April 13th Holy Thursday service at 12:30 PM

April 14th Good Friday service at 12:30 PM

April 16th Easter Sunday Services at 8 AM and 12:30 PM

PARISH OFFICERS

Interim Priest: Rev.(Padi) Joey Vallejo

Parish Officers:

<i>Incumbent's Warden: Mary Smith</i>	<i>People's Warden: Andrew Daye</i>
<i>Treasurer: Andreas Pack</i>	<i>Envelope Secretary: Andrew Daye</i>
<i>Organist: Mary Ross</i>	<i>Sunday School Coordinator: Stephanie Daye</i>
<i>ACW: Joyce Setters</i>	<i>Prayer Partnership: vacant</i>
<i>Altar Guild: Neila Russell</i>	

*Parish Council: Sam Bird, Harold Hippe, Sharen Stevenson,
Leslie Miles, Marilyn Croot*

Lay Delegate to Synod: Leslie Miles

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GOING INTO HOSPITAL??

If you are, it is helpful for the parish and clergy to know so that you can be remembered in prayer and visited. If you can't send a message yourself – let a family member, friend, or a member of the nursing staff know that your faith family is important to you and get them to phone and leave a message at the church: (403) 244-0198.

Don't forget- Automatic Debit is now available for your offerings. Please let Andrew Daye know if you wish to set up this automatic service.

The deadline for submissions for the June issue of the newsletter is May, 7, 2017. There is a submission box outside the church office, or you can e-mail your submissions to murmor01@telusplanet.net - (subject line: "SMSP Newsletter"). Thank you