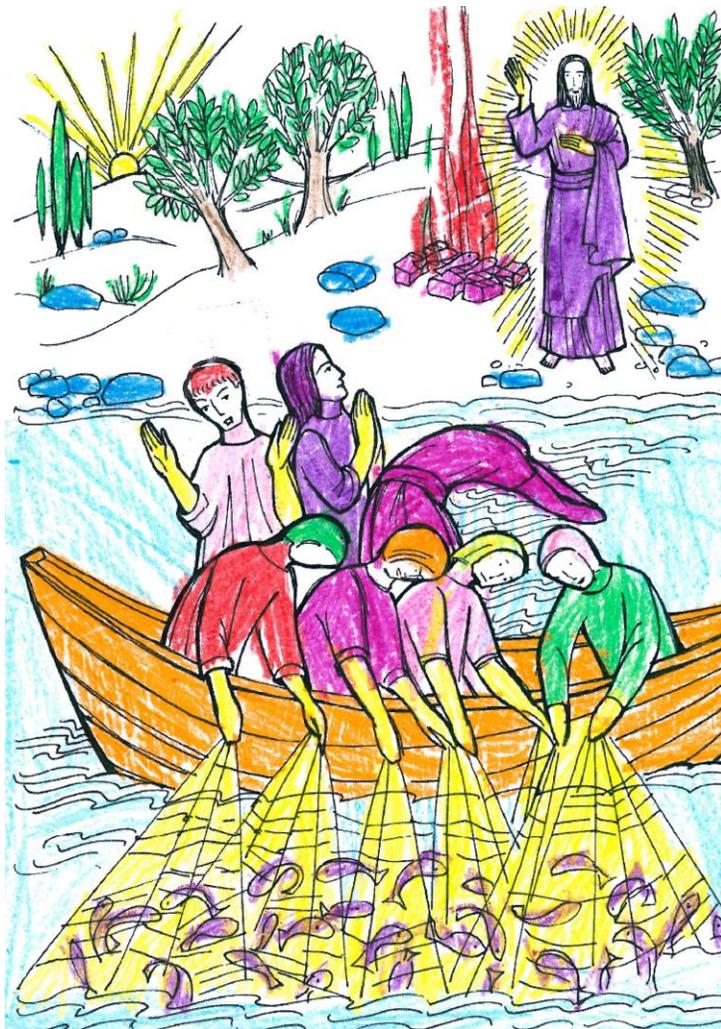




NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing January 21, 2018



**Third Sunday after Epiphany
with Holy Baptism**



From the Rector

Jesus encounters two folk fishing on the Sea of Galilee and invites them both to come and follow him. The two, Simon and Andrew, immediately dropped what they were doing and followed Jesus.

This is the story we hear about in the Gospel reading for today and it is filled with beautiful images of a sea-front, fishing, a beach, perhaps a beautiful sunshine-filled day. Jesus invites these hardworking fishers to come and follow. To leave their career behind and follow him.

What does it mean to follow Jesus? What does it mean to say that “I am a follower of Jesus Christ.”? I think it means a lot more than the words alone imply. It is not just about following Jesus but involves living like Jesus, acting like Jesus, loving like Jesus, forgiving like Jesus, praying like Jesus... It is much more involved than simply saying “I believe” but involves how we live and shape our lives. It affects how we look at our living, our neighbour, our love of God. It affects our understanding of God moving in this world.

This Sunday morning, two children, Erin and Abigail, will be baptized. This is a beautiful liturgy for the entire parish but, obviously, mostly for Abigail and Erin and their families. For Baptism is about committing to follow the way, the truth and the life of Jesus. It is about hearing Jesus’ invitation even today and taking a risk to follow the One who leads us towards a new light.

In the Baptism Service, we will pray that the candidates be filled with the Holy Spirit and will love others in the power of that Spirit and that they will go into the world as witnesses to God’s love. That is what we will pray for them... and for us. For this following of Jesus is about how we reveal the love of God in our actions and how we love our neighbours as ourselves. Following Jesus is not just about saying we will follow but walking the walk that Jesus leads. So drop your fishing rods and seek the new light of Christ!

O God, you are just beyond our reach but You continue to touch us and call us. You invite us to walk a path that differs from much of the ways of the world. You invite us to a holy compassion, a holy action, a holy trust in your plan. Bless us on our pilgrimage as we follow the way of Jesus, our Saviour and Guide. In his name we pray. Amen.

Candlemas

Bring your candles to be blessed at our special Candlemas Evensong on February 4 at 4:00pm. This is a beautiful liturgy filled with music, prayer and candle-light as we acknowledge the Presentation of the Christ-child in the Temple. Please plan to join us.

Confirmation

There are four people who are forming our Confirmation/Reaffirmation Class. The classes will begin in Lent. There will be three one-on-one with the clergy and three classes as a group. If you are interested in joining the group, please let one of the Clergy know as soon as possible.

Bible Study

Our Wednesday morning Bible Study has started up again. We gather at 10:10am, after the Morning Eucharist and discuss the Bible readings for the coming Sunday. Please join us!

Ash Wednesday Services

We will have two services for Ash Wednesday, February 14, at St. John's Shaughnessy:

9:30am with Bishop Melissa Skelton as Preacher and Presider

7:00pm with our Clergy and the SJS Choir

Ash Wednesday is a significant day in the life of the Church and you are invited to have ashes imposed on your forehead and to enter the pilgrimage of Lent. Please plan to join us.

Final Affairs Fair

The Archdeaconry of Vancouver is presenting a **Final Affairs Fair** here at St. John's Shaughnessy. On Saturday, February 3, from 10:00am until Noon, we will explore wills, funeral arrangements, legacy planning and other things related to our final affairs.

It will be helpful and informative but we will also keep it light-hearted and fun. Please plan on attending!

Annual Vestry Meeting

St. John's Shaughnessy Annual Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 25 after the 10:00am Mass. All parishioners are encouraged to attend. We will discuss the past year of 2017, look at our financial report, and then look to 2018, elect members of Church Committee and Trustees.

Anti-Racism Training

All clergy and lay leaders in the Diocese are encouraged (and urged) to attend Anti-Racism Training. Each Archdeaconry of the Diocese is offering this program once each year. The training for the Archdeaconry of Vancouver will take place at St. Mary's Kerrisdale on January 27 from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Please register on the Diocesan Website.

Lent Series 2018

Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John invites participants on a five-week journey into deeper intimacy with God by praying with the words of John the Evangelist (The Gospel According to John and First Letter of John). These two texts describe how God, out of deep love, sends God's only Son Jesus into the world, to take on human form and live among us. By learning from Jesus, his human friendships, and his teachings about the God he calls 'Father,' we will discover God as One who longs for deep intimacy with each of us. We will take to heart the words of Jesus: "I and the Father are one." We will find that God is not a judge, a disapproving parent, a policeman, or a taskmaster; rather God is our companion, our friend, our confidant, our beloved. We are even invited to abide in God as God abides

in us. It is in relationship with Jesus that such extraordinary communion with God becomes a personal reality.

SJS Anglican Church Women's Fellowship Group

The SJS Anglican Church Women's Fellowship Group resumes Wednesday, January 31st at Denny's Restaurant, 1296, West Broadway at 11:45 AM. All SJS women are invited to join us. We are part of the Diocese of New Westminster ACW parish / fellowship groups.

The ACW is a community of Anglican Church Women gathered together in Christian service to support and promote the total mission of the church, through Prayer and Work and Stewardship.

ACW Initiatives include:

- 50% funding for the 2016 VGH Chaplaincy
- Subsidized Diocesan travel to the TRC in Ottawa
- Archival display cabinets for Synod entrance
- Expanded outreach in the Diocese of Yukon
- Extended outreach into the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior
- Offer a discretionary fund to our Bishop
- Presented a 100,000 dollar bursary to the Anglican Foundation for theological education
- Contributed to the West Side Mobile Care Unit
- Financial contributions to St. Jude, Camp Artaban, ,Covenant House, Youth Delegation to the UN, PWRDF, Care & Share, Mission to Seafarers, Embrace Rwanda, and many more

Our liaison with the other groups through the ACW Board is educational and inspirational. Come and learn about these vibrant groups and how we at St. John's can participate.

Alberta Rudolf, Chair

Yarn and Knitting Supply Sale Feb 18 Van Dusen Floral Hall

Sunday, Feb 18, 10am - 4pm. The incredible inventory has been donated by Dr. John Sisler whose wife, Deanna, passed away in 2016. **All the proceeds from the sale are being donated to The British Columbia**

Childhood Cancer Parents' Association (bcccpa.org). BCCCPA is a registered non-profit charitable society, whose mission is to help families who have children with cancer and who are struggling financially by providing them with aid through the Family Financial Aid Program.



If you are a knitter/crocheter, you will find an amazing selection of not just yarn, but also supplies, patterns, buttons etc. at up to 75% off retail prices. If you aren't a knitter, perhaps you would like to take it up or perhaps you could pass the information on to someone you know who does knit/crochet and would be interested in coming? Any help to get the word out on the sale would be much appreciated.

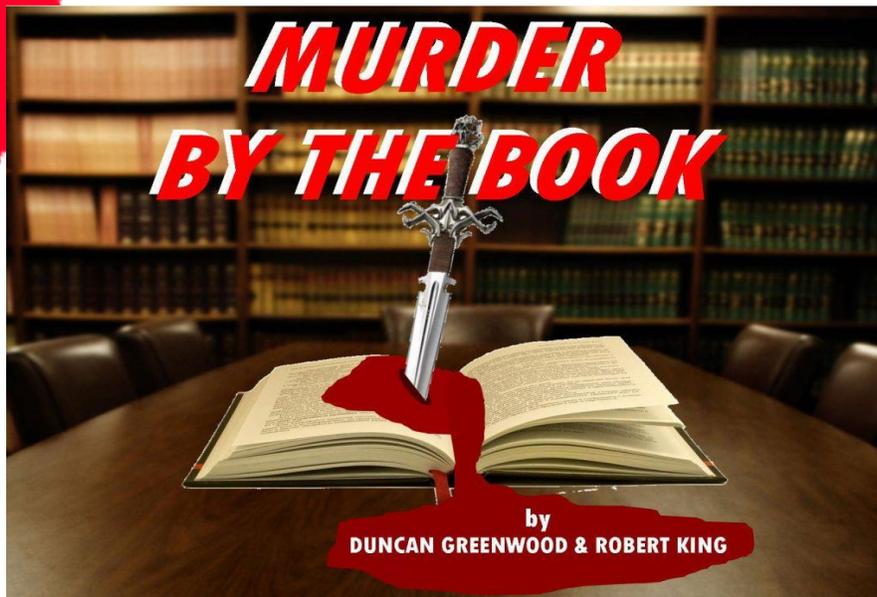
Murder! Divorce! Who Done IT!!!!

We're at it again ... St Jude's Anglican Home is going to the Theatre, for an evening of refreshment, entertainment, a little suspense, "Murder by the Book" ... We all had such a blast last year, won't you join us on Wednesday February 7 at Metro Theatre (1370 Marine Dr SW, by the Arthur Laing bridge). Refreshments and Silent Auction at 7pm, curtain at 8 ... tickets from Paul Bunnell, \$50 (with \$25 tax receipt for your support of St Jude's)

"When was the last time that you heard someone say, "I went to a fund raiser last evening and had a great time". Well, the St. Jude's night at Metro Theatre was just such an event. The play itself; the silent auction; the socialization in the upper lounge and theatre foyer; and the mix of staff, caregivers and supporters of St. Jude's combined to make this a special evening and one well worth making an annual event. ... the twists and turns of the play and the mind games developed by each of the characters led to a final conclusion which was as

surprising as justified. The array of items for auction was excellent and led to some serious bidding wars. But best of all, the camaraderie evident during the evening was noteworthy. ... All those who were involved should take a bow. " (Neil, husband of St Jude's resident Joyce)

St. Jude's Fundraising Event for our Bathing room Beautification



at the Metro Theatre

“Murder by the Book”

Crisp, witty, exchanges of dialogue fill this inventive British thriller. A writer's wife wants to divorce him, but he has no intention of doing so. Full of exciting twists and turns as each character, writer, wife, publisher, secretary and neighbour turn the tables on each other. Who are the victims and who are the killers? This is a plot that will keep you guessing until the very end.

Wednesday, February 7th, 2018

**7:00 pm for Silent Auction and Light Refreshments,
Performance at 8:00 pm**

1370 Marine Dr. SW, Vancouver (at the foot of the Arthur Laing Bridge)

Contact reception@stjudes.ca or Kyla at 604 874-3200 ext. 0 for tickets

Help us raise funds by purchasing tickets for \$50 each.

A \$25 tax receipt will be issued upon request.



Photo by Peter Kidd

Winter Bible Study Series

Join the SJS clergy for an interactive
Christian Formation Series
to discuss the Bible readings for the coming Sunday.

Classes will be located in the church
from approximately 10:10am to 11:15am.
Everyone welcome!

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Wednesday mornings from
January 17 to February 7
right after the 9:30am service

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Meeting Jesus
in the Gospel of John

Lenten Study

Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John

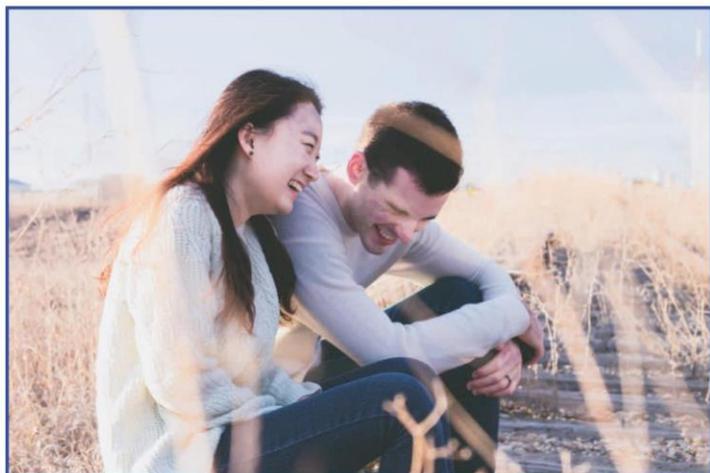
is a five-week journey into deeper intimacy with God through praying with the words of John the Evangelist.

Join the SJS clergy for this fascinating interactive Christian Formation Series! Classes will be located in the Trendell Lounge Wednesdays at 7pm.

FINAL AFFAIRS FAIR

for the Vancouver Archdeaconry

A day to explore our final affairs in regards to wills, funeral arrangements, legacy planning; what our final acts will say about us and our lives.



Mary Hamilton. Lawyer

Mary Hamilton is a Partner in the Wills, Estates + Trusts Practice Group at Alexander Holburn Beaudin + Lang LLP. Having almost 30 years of experience in wills, trusts and estate administration, Mary has held senior positions with various organizations throughout Vancouver, and was named Vancouver Trusts and Estates Lawyer of the Year by *Best Lawyers* in 2011 and 2017. Mary advises clients about their estate planning and using wills, trusts and other vehicles (including charitable giving) to minimize taxes on death.



Mark Szabo, Funeral Director

While growing up in rural Manitoba, Mark had a newspaper route where he delivered the paper to the local funeral home. It was during that time he realized his calling was to pursue a career in the funeral profession. With over 20 years of experience as a funeral director, embalmer, and now the general manager at Walkey & Company Funeral Directors, Mark has assisted numerous families in both Manitoba and British Columbia, at a time of deep personal loss. Mark is newly married to his wife Manilyn and his interests include antiques of all sorts, motorcycles, vintage cars and spending time in nature.



Diocese of New Westminster
ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

DATE: Saturday, February 3, 2018

VENUE: St. John's Shaughnessy
Trendell Lounge, 1490 Nanton
Avenue, Vancouver BC

TIME: 10—Noon (Registration @ 9:30 a.m.)
Refreshments Served



Presentation of Christ at the Temple by Hans Holbein the Elder, 1500–01

Candlemas Evensong

Feb 4th at 4 o'clock *reception to follow*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.



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**“Remember you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.”**

Genesis 3.19



Ash Wednesday

Feb 14

9:30am Holy Eucharist with Ashing
with Bishop Melissa Skelton

7:00pm Holy Eucharist with Ashing
with the St John's Choir



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Upcoming SJS Events

Jan	20	NM Packet Delivery	
	21	Baptism of Erin & Abigail	10am
		Ordination Service for Vivian Seegers	7pm
	24, 31	Bible Study	10am
Feb	3	Final Affairs Fair	10am (register at 9:30)
	4	NM Packet Prep	11:30am
		Candlemas	4pm
	14	Ash Wednesday Service with Bishop Melissa	9:30am
		Ash Wednesday Evening Service	7pm

Upcoming Community Events

Feb	7	St Jude's Fundraising Theatre Event	7pm
	10	St Augustine's, Marpole: Dinner & Dance	
	18	Yarn and Knitting Supply Sale Fundraiser	10am-4pm
		Van Dusen Floral Hall	

St Augustine's, Marpole: Dinner & Dance February 10

DINNER and DANCE for an early Valentine's Day Treat! Do you like the music of Elton John, Billy Joel or feel like DANCING? Come and join us at St. Augustine's Marpole for a Dinner and Dance with LIVE entertainment! There will also be a Silent Auction. So come, have an early Valentine's Treat for yourself, some friends, and....support a vital Anglican Outreach in Marpole.

SAT. FEBRUARY 10, 2018 Doors open at 5:30pm Dinner at 6:30 Reserve your tickets by phone 604-261-5223 or by email gdingham@gmail.com We are also taking any suggestions or offerings for our Silent Auction.

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PWRDF Rep	Doug Symons
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Sunday services

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00am Sung Eucharist

Wednesday service

9:30am Holy Communion

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