

Thoughts for the Day

C.S. Lewis, in his various works about a conversation between an apprentice devil and Satan, demonstrates the complex ways in which we are tempted to live lives that are less than healthy. As our Lenten journey begins we all need to be prepared for temptation in our lives. Choosing life, as we do in Baptism, means entering into war with subtle forces seeking to lead us away from life, hope and joy. May our actions this Lent take us out of the mess of our own lives and in places where we are open to love.

The Ven. Dr. John Bailey



DATES TO NOTE

Sun. Mar. 5	Food Bank Sunday
Sun. Mar. 5	Men's Breakfast, 8:30 am
Mon. Mar. 6	Jones Girls, 11:30 am
Mon. Mar. 6	Outreach meeting, 7:30 pm
Wed. Mar. 8	Lenten Series, Mary: Grace and Hope in Christ, 7:30 pm
Thurs. Mar. 9	Howard Lear's Memorial Service, 2 pm
Sun. Mar. 12	Abendmusik Lenten Vespers, 7:30 pm



CHILDREN AT CHURCH - EVERY SUNDAY

At the 10.00am service there are Church School classes for all children who wish to attend. Children are encouraged to come to the front of the church for the "Children's Focus" and then leave for their classes, returning during the Peace. The youngest (newborns to two years old) can use our "Noah's Ark" room (just off the side of the church) under parental supervision.

SENIORS CAFÉ IS BACK

Seniors Café has returned and will continue on alternate Tuesday mornings in the Fireside Room from 10:00 until Noon. A special event is planned to welcome you back. Come and join us for tea, coffee, refreshments and friendly conversation or find a partner for a game of crib or Scrabble. Please reach out and invite a friend or neighbour to come to Seniors Café.

THEATER



PRODUCTION

ST. JUDE'S ANGLICAN HOME FUNDRAISER

St. Jude's Anglican Home is putting on a capital fundraiser by putting on a play at the Metro Theatre at 1370 S.W. Marine Drive on Wednesday, March 8th at 8 pm. The play is called "Guilty Conscience". Tickets are \$50 each, but receive a \$25 tax receipt per ticket. There will also be a silent auction, a 50/50 draw and light refreshments available. For tickets, speak to Beth Vondette in the Church office.

REFUGEE UPDATE

The application package for Lama and her four children, Syrians in a refugee camp in Lebanon, was mailed to Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada just before Christmas.

In the new year, Mary will also put together an application package for the family's grandparents. Including the grandparents will cost an additional \$10,000 to the original fundraising goal of \$40,000, making the new goal \$50,000. We have already raised more than \$25,000 and will likely have a year or so to fundraise the remaining money.

If you wish to donate, please make cheques payable to St. Philip's and write "Refugee Fund" on the envelope as well as on the memo line. For more information please contact Mary Lymburner, 778-898-5117 or kmarylymburner@telus.net

NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY: PACKET WISH LIST

- ◆ Boost or Ensure Nutrition Drink
- ◆ Tinned Meat
- ◆ Juice Boxes
- ◆ Socks
- ◆ Disposable Razors
- ◆ Fruit Cups and plastic spoons

Neighbourhood



Ministry

Avoid items with nuts and raisins, as they are hard on the teeth. Please, no expired items.

FOOD BANK SUNDAY

Today is Food Bank Sunday for non-perishable food items. Particularly welcome are nut butters (i.e., almond butter), legumes and canned fruit.



GALLERY SINGERS

Join the Gallery singers and friends in welcoming Spring with German Baroque favourites, featuring J.S. Bach's "Jesu, meine Freude" March 12, 2017, 3:00 pm at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 1440 W. 12th Avenue, Vancouver, (at Hemlock) Tickets available at the door: Adults - \$25, Students with ID \$12, Children 0-12 Free; or in advance at: www.galleriesingers.ca

CARETAKER'S REQUEST

Gerry, our caretaker, wishes to express his heartfelt gratitude to those who donated tools. His workshop is now full of useful items to assist him in maintaining our buildings.



MEMORIAL
SERVICE

HOWARD LEAR'S MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service for Howard Lear will be on March 9th at 2 pm. A reception will follow in the Gym, noting that the Fireside Room will also be available and decorated.

SENIORS CAFÉ - CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Seniors Café would benefit from having several more volunteers to help set up and greet visitors. Come and share some laughter and great stories around the café tables. If you could contribute an hour or two on a Tuesday morning this winter or spring, please contact Ann Kent at ann@catkinggardens.ca.

OUTREACH MEETING

The next outreach meeting will be on March 6th at 7:30 pm in the Upstairs meeting room.

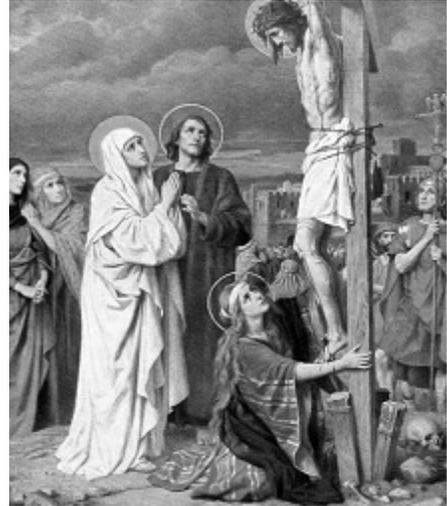
STABAT MATER CONCERT

This year as part of St. Philip's Lenten series, we present Walking the Way of the Cross with Mary, which includes a performance of Pergolesi's Stabat Mater with soloists and baroque chamber orchestra as well as a short lecture preceding the work. The performance will occur on the Feast of the Annunciation, March 25th at 2pm.

The Stabat Mater, written by Giovanni Battista Pergolesi, is universally recognized as the most poignant and heartrending hymn of the Middle Ages. In simple and vivid language, it exemplifies the Holy Mother of the Jesus overwhelmed with grief and weeping beneath the Cross on which he was suffering an undeserved and agonizing death.

The musicians include Sinéad White, soprano; Shane Hanson, countertenor; Michael Murray, organ; Jiten Beairsto & Elana Cooper, violins; Sarah Kwok, viola; Shin-jung Nam, cello.

Admission will be by donation. Suggested amount: \$20. Reservations can be made by emailing mmurray@stpdpdunbar.com.



ABENDMUSIK LENTEN VESPERS

This year, Abendmusik Chamber Choir presents an evening Vespers for Lent in the church on Sunday, March 12th at 7:30 pm. Please join us for an amazing service with music featuring the English composer Charles Stanford as well as compositions from the Baroque and Renaissance. Brian Mix will accompany us on 'cello and Alastair Smith will be our organist.

NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY REPORT

Dear all,

Team 2 headed out from St. Anselm's with lots of packages filled to the brim, bananas, oranges, boiled eggs and some cold weather items, jacket, hats, gloves and scarves. Thanks to Marian and Hazel for greeting us and to the indoor team for putting it all together.

Hyok and I headed over to Safeway where we picked up Edwin. Nancy joined us at No Frills. We handed out packages to M, C, T and B. All were very chatty and we spent some time there. T and B were wearing the wonderful gloves they were given on Dec. 17 (the Lee Valley gloves). They just loved them. T said they were so good, you could even use them as oven mitts. We thought that was quite amusing as B is always suggesting using oven mitts to keep the hands warm.. I actually have thought of doing that in the really cold weather!

We then headed on down to Jericho where we found M (or so we thought). He was sound asleep in the cardboard box and did not respond to our hellos. We left him a bit of everything including some mitts.

We then headed over to Locarno and found A. He looked cold, so we gave him an extra blanket, some mitts and lots of provisions. We told him he had a "room with a view" . He said he was going to stay there for a while, but otherwise he was pretty quiet.

After that we drove up 4th Avenue to the Safeway and parked. We found P, the megaphone fellow, who is always happy and takes some things. We also found T (new to us) who was standing outside

Whole Foods collecting money. He said he had a place but he was very grateful for the package and food. He then sang for us as a "thank you". It was a tune by Nat King Cole... he was very entertaining!

We also found R sleeping outside the Shopper's Drug Mart. He was quite young and told us when his mother moved out to Surrey for a cheaper place, he was on his own. He knows about Showers and has had his BC Housing forms filled out there. He was very cheerful and alert. He appreciated getting a new toque and lots of provisions.

We then went over to Granville, parked and walked around. G and S have had to move around a bit as I think they have been asked to move. They had been parked in an empty storefront but we found their belongings and bike tied up to a post. I think their belongings were growing and taking up a lot of space! We found Sean and he did not seem very happy (he complained about the police), but was glad to get some provisions. We also left a package for G. We continued to walk around Granville and found J in a little makeshift house near the Stanley. He is always so pleasant and very happy to get some things. He said he was quite nice and warm in there.

We did not see S anywhere on Broadway this time but we did leave the last of our goodies with B. We also left him a hat and scarf!

It was a pleasant outing... despite a snowy weather forecast, it was clear and quite nice out.

Thanks from Team 2

Jane

“HAM BUCKS” FROM STONGS FOR DUNBAR HOUSE

If you are not using the “Ham Bucks” yourself, the Outreach Committee will be pleased to pass them on to Dunbar House on 7th. Please bring them to the Church Office or place them on the plate on Sundays.

LENT MADNESS 2017 - WHO WILL WIN THE GOLDEN HALO?

Lent Madness began in 2010 as the brainchild of the Rev. Tim Schenck. In seeking a fun, engaging way for people to learn about the men and women comprising the Church's Calendar of Saints, Tim came up with this unique Lenten devotion. Combining his love of sports with his passion for the lives of the saints, Lent Madness was born on his blog “Clergy Family Confidential” which has subsequently moved locations and become “Clergy Confidential.

The format is straightforward: 32 saints are placed into a tournament-like single elimination bracket. Each pairing remains open for a set period of time and Who will win the Golden Halo? people vote for their favorite saint. 16 saints make it to the Round of the Saintly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the coveted Golden Halo. The first round consists of basic biographical information about each of the 32 saints. Things get a bit more interesting in the subsequent rounds as we offer quotes and quirks, explore legends, and even move into the area of saintly kitsch.

To download a copy of this year's bracket of 32 saints, go to:

<http://www.lentmadness.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/LM2017calendar-1.pdf>

The purpose of this fun activity is to allow people to get to know some amazing people who have come before us in the faith and reminding one another that there's no reason for a dreary Lenten

discipline. If this helps people connect with the risen Christ during this season of penitence and renewal, and have a bit of fun in the process, then it continues to be worthwhile.
We hope you'll participate fully this Lent and vote daily at www.lentmadness.org