

Celebrant: The Rev'd. Stuart Hallam
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DATES TO NOTE

Sun. Sept. 23	Chamber Music Concert, 4:00 pm, Church
Sat. Sept. 29	All Parish Open Gym, 6:00 pm, Fireside Room and Gym
Sun. Sept. 30	Blessing of the Pets, 10:00 am, Church
Mon. Oct. 1	Jones Girls, noon, Fireside Room
Sun. Oct. 7	Men's Breakfast, 8:30 am, Fireside Room
Mon. Oct. 8	Thanksgiving Monday, office closed

A huge thank you to all who advertised, donated, set-up, sorted, sold and cleaned-up after the Rummage Sale. Another great success for St Philip's.
Thank you all from Sarah, Kathy and Diana.

SERMONS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE

An audio recording of last week's sermon is available on our website. To access the audio file, please go to our website: <http://www.stpdunbar.com> and click on the heading "Sermons" on the top right of the screen.

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS WANTED

The Church School is actively recruiting new teachers. If you feel called to this ministry, registration for training is now open at <https://godlyplaybcevents.weebly.com>. The next training sessions are November 3 & 24 and January 12 and will be held at Pacific Spirit United Church (formerly Ryerson United). The cost is \$125 per day, with a discount if you attend all three. The course is fun and a great foundation! Please speak with Erin McDougall if you are interested.

ATTENTION CRAFTERS AND SEWERS

Stitch & Chatter of Pacific Spirit United Church (previously Ryerson on 45th) is downsizing and hosting a Fabric Clearance Event, Saturday September 15th 11am – 1 pm in the Ethel Toddrick Room at 3525 W 24th Ave. Fabric & notions almost free to a good home. Contact: Lynda Magnuson 604 325-2254. Thank you for your support in this event. We have at least 30 boxes of fabric various types and sizes and prefer not to send it all to the dump.

THANKSGIVING DECORATIONS

Altar Guild would like to request donations of flowers and fruits and vegetable to decorate the church for Thanksgiving Sunday on Oct. 7. Please bring your donations for 9:00 on Saturday Oct. 6 and leave on the tables at the front of the church

REFUGEE NEWS

Lama and her children arrived on September 13. They are getting settled into their new home. School registration for the children is underway. It is not easy for them to be away from their friends and family in Lebanon, and to be unable to communicate with those around them. The children in particular should learn English quickly. Fortunately they have relatives in North Vancouver to visit. The application for Lama's parents, Nasriddin and Fatmeh, and her younger brother, Ward, has been in process at the Canadian Visa Office in Beirut for about a year now. Just this week they have been given appointments for their interviews at the Visa Office. These will take place on October 3. So this is the beginning of activity on this file. Their arrival is likely still some months away. St. John's Shaughnessy agreed to sponsor Lama's sister, Hadeel, with her husband, Bassel, and three young children. St. Philip's has agreed to be co-sponsor for them, contributing some hands on work when they arrive, but not any money. Their application was received at IRCC at the end of August. This is a more educated branch of the family, with quite young children, so should settle in more easily. It will likely be almost 2 years before they arrive. Though we have received many generous donations, there have been some additional expenses for our Refugee Family, therefore donations will be gratefully received. Cheques can be made to St. Philip's with Refugee Fund on the envelope as well as on the memo line. For more information, please contact Mary Lymburner at kmarylymburner@telus.net or 778-898-5117.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING....

If you are making any jams, jellies, pickles or chutneys this summer, please make a few extra jars for the Kitchen Gourmet stall at the Christmas Fair. The more variety we have, the more we can sell. Thank you.

HOMELESSNESS ACTION WEEK BENEFIT CONCERT

In commemoration of Homelessness Action Week in Vancouver, the Neighbourhood Ministry will host a concert at St. Philip's Dunbar (3737 W. 27th Ave) on Sunday, October 14 at 5:00-6:30 pm with reception to follow. The concert will feature Rebecca Jenkins and Joel Bakan, a well-known duo on the Vancouver Jazz scene, and will also hear from Deacon Pitman's Pro Bono Publicum and friends. All proceeds go to the Neighbourhood Ministry.



NEIGHBOURHOOD MINISTRY

There is an urgent appeal for the following items to restock our packets: tinned meat (easy-open lids), and Nutrigrain bars and sleeping bags. Cool weather is returning to Vancouver, and our homeless friends are in need of assistance preparing for winter. We are seeking gently used items that will help during the colder months ahead: sleeping bags and blankets, tarps, thermal sleeping pads, waterproof shoes and boots (men's sizes 9 – 15), men's raincoats, and men's sweaters and bivy/survival bags. Please place the items in the basket labeled "Neighbourhood Ministry".

The following is a summary of the activities of the Westside Anglicans Neighbourhood Ministry over the last two weeks, including highlights from our Saturday Street Outreach teams and our Mobile Care Unit (MCU). The first half of September was busy. The Saturday Street Teams made 26 connections with homeless and vulnerable neighbours over the two Saturdays. Most noted on the visits were the rising need for warmer clothing and rain gear as the weather turns to fall and winter. We were delighted to report that at least five of our long-time homeless neighbours accepted housing at the newest modular housing site at 2nd and Ash. Several volunteers were on hand to help on move in day. The MCU site visit at St. Augustine's was very busy as it was our first MCU visit since July. The new team, which includes Dr. Sari and former social work practicum student Anna, was introduced by the Rev'd Dr. Pitman Potter. The medical team made 5 connections. The social services side made 4 connections: 3 with housing issues and one person looking for a bed, which we were able to source for the client. The MCU also visited the Kitsilano Showers Program, which was relatively quiet. Dr. Janet met with 2 of her regular clients and the social services team made one connection. We were delighted to inform one of our clients that they had been offered a place at the new modular housing complex at 2nd and Ash with a move-in date just days later. For a full write up from the street teams and Mobile Care Unit, please subscribe to our email list by contacting Beth, our Office Administrator, at ministrymcu@gmail.com

THEOLOGICAL BOOK SALE

Paula Porter Leggett and Richard Leggett are hosting a sale of used theological books — biblical, historical, liturgical and theological. The proceeds of the sale will support the Kerrisdale/Marpole Community Pastoral Resource Centre and St. Hildegard's Sanctuary. Where: St. Faith's Anglican Church (7284 Cypress St. & W57th Ave in Vancouver) When: Saturday, 29 September, from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Hardcover books \$5 each. Softcover books \$2 each. Cash or cheque only.