Notices for Sunday, August 23, 2020

Lovely People of St Philip's, greetings!

It is good to be back after some much-needed family time away together. We spent much of our holiday in Sooke on the Island. Our cottage was just down from the wonderful 'Potholes' where Matilda loved to swim most days, better still were only a short drive from the wonderful Sheringham Gin Distillery, which was a lovely surprise!! I know many of you are away too at the moment. I hope that your time will be one that is refreshing, fun and life affirming!

I come back to exciting times as we plan to re-open St Philip's to our first in person worship service. I want to briefly explain how this will work and what is planned as it is a little complicated.

As a worshipping community St Philip's enters Phase II of the Diocese Re-opening Plan. This means that as of Sunday 30th August we will hold our first in person service since lockdown began. The service, which will be held at 4.30pm, will be an Evening Prayer service from the Iona tradition. It will be a beautiful, quiet, contemplative service of reflection and prayer. No singing is allowed in Phase II, but there will be beautiful music to compliment the lovely liturgy.

Because of COVID-19 how we attend church is different. Due to contact tracing we will be using a ticketing system that you will need to apply for in advance (details below) and we will follow the now normal social distancing and hand sanitisation protocols. Thankfully, because we now have our gorgeous new pews, we will easily be able to create a beautiful and socially distanced space in order for us to worship safely. Thanks be to God!

Again, **there is no compulsion for you to come to this service.** You must keep safe and make the correct decision for your own health and wellbeing. And remember, our online service of Holy Eucharist will continue as normal throughout Phase II.

As of the beginning of September the rest of the church centre will re-open into Phase III of the Diocese Re-opening Plan, which will once again allow many from our wonderful community to access our spaces and help us with much needed income! In particular, both Tom Thumb and Crown Preschools will be back and we are so looking forward to seeing the children back again. These are encouraging small steps towards our new normal. Please continue to pray for the staff and wardens as we hone our plans for the gradual reopening of the church in a way that is safe for all concerned!

Stay safe and peace be with you.

Stuart

CHURCH IN THE PARK: Sundays at 4:30PM– **last week**
Church in the Park offers a socially distanced short service followed by a chance to enjoy each other's company, wearing a mask if you choose to. The play area and waterpark are open, which the kids enjoy together. Bring seating and refreshments of your choice for after the service. Come as you are. Bring a friend. And calm dogs. Cancellation in case of wet weather will be posted on the website by Sunday at 3:00 PM.
https://www.stphilipsdunbar.com/events/church-in-the-park/2020-08-02

REOPENING ST PHILIP'S
On July 29, the Diocese accepted St Philip's application to reopen for Phase II in-person worship. You will find a chart comparing the Diocese Reopening Phases at the end of these notices.

On July 20, the Diocese announced that parishes may re-open for Phase III in-person gatherings and rentals on August 16, if and when they are ready, with health precautions, masks and social distancing in place. Rentals to some of our community groups are expected to resume in September, with health precautions in place.

Even after we choose to reopen for in-person gatherings, whether for the 10 AM and/or for other services, **Sunday's 10:00 AM Website Worship will continue to be offered online.**

FIRST IN PERSON WORSHIP SERVICE SINCE LOCKDOWN!
Beginning Sunday, August 30th, St. Philip's doors will re-open for an in-person afternoon prayer service at 4:30 pm. We strongly encourage reserving tickets ahead through Eventbrite to reserve your spot. A special e-blast with instructions and more details will be sent out next Monday (August 24, 2020) and posted on the website. Maximum 50 persons per service, including clergy and greeters. Social distancing protocols are in place. Please bring your own mask.

WEBSITE WORSHIP: on stphilipsdunbar.com
Join Stuart Hallam and others in Sunday morning website worship and follow along with the order of service delivered to you on Friday. The services are recorded and posted by Saturday evening, so you can watch and revisit them at your convenience. These engaging services have been very well received.
Visit our website: https://www.stphilipsdunbar.com/blog

COFFEE HOUR on Zoom: Sunday August 23, 11:00 AM

We look forward to seeing **you**. Click the blue link at 11:00 am, using your computer for best results, or join by phone:
https://zoom.us/j/454815164
To join any Zoom meeting by phone, dial 778-907-2071
Coffee Hour ID is 454815164**.**

PRAYER, CARE AND SHARE:
Weekly on Wednesdays via Zoom at 10:00 AM
To join the gathering by phone, dial 778-907-2071. The meeting ID is 2939572088.
On your computer, click the link at 10:00 AM
https://zoom.us/j/2939572088

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers at this time: Ken and Greg, Maura and Brian, Nancy, Tracy and family, Larry Hoad, Mike Lane, Brenda Harrison, Sarah Burns, Cynthia Howard and Richard Fenner. Let us pray for those who have died and for their friends and family bereaved by their loss.

MILESTONES
Let's share life's blessings with our parishioners as we recite the final prayer together.

GRATITUDE CONFETTI
Let's toss gratitude confetti on Dr. Bonnie Henry, the Firefighters tackling the numerous wildfires in BC and elsewhere, and on all people who make this uncertain time brighter, safer and more hopeful.

Staying Close While We're Apart,
Stuart Hallam (Rector), Debbie Matheson, Brian Mix, Diana Bragg, and Suzi Noetzel (Wardens)

The Diocese of New Westminster Reopening Phases

The Anglican Church of Canada www.vancouver.anglican.ca

	1 Phase 1	2 Phase 2	3 Phase 3	4 Phase 4
Eucharist	Online only	Online only	In-person with restrictions	In-person, no intinction
Service of the Word	Online Only	In-person with restrictions	In-person with restrictions	In-person with no restrictions
Filming and Live Streaming Worship	YES, with restrictions	YES, with restrictions	Continue for those that cannot physically attend	Continue for those that cannot physically attend
Other Services	Permissible with tight restrictions	Permissible with tight restrictions	YES, allowing for physical distancing under 50 people	Unrestricted
Formation Fellowship, Fundraising And Pastoral Care	Online or telephone only	Online or telephone only	YES, allowing for physical distancing under 50 people	Unrestricted and some online recommended
Office building use	Limited Access	Limited Access	YES, allowing for physical distancing under 50 people	Unrestricted
Service and Outreach Initiatives	With permission from the Archbishop's Office	With permission from the Archbishop's Office	YES, allowing for physical distancing under 50 people	Unrestricted
User Groups and Rentals	Suspended or invited to suspend	Suspended or invited to suspend	YES, allowing for physical distancing under 50 people	Unrestricted