Compassion in Action



~ 125 years of service $\,\,$: one open circle of caring ~

Thirty Outreach Programs

A) on-site programs: community partnerships in outreach

community outreach partnerships where we provide building space, office time, management & support staff time, cleaning & janitorial services, and volunteering, partially or fully at our own expense. we support youth, seniors, health, music and the arts, and/or other forms of particular need or special interest on a regular ongoing basis:

- 1) Spirituality Beyond Borders education for transformation programs on-site, throughout Central Vancouver Island, and by webcast
- 2) Adult Day Program support and activities designed for seniors facing isolation/health issues (M/Tu/F)
- 3) AA, Al-Anon, other 12-Step programs (M,W,F)
- 4) Girl Guides, Brownies, Sparks (M,W,Th)
- 5) Parksville Tai Chi (all weekdays)
- 6) Oceanside Bridge Club (W)
- 7) Parksville & District Music Association (Tu)
- 8) Quilters group (Th monthly)
- 9) Gentle Fit/Cardio (M,W)— community health programs for seniors 10) Death Café peer-to-peer group conversation over a cup of tea/coffee on the topic of death

B) collaborations: local action to support outreach

- 1 SOS (Society of Organized Services) comprehensive social outreach, including 29 programs for people of all ages and stages of life
- 2 *Manna Ministries* (outreach to the homeless in the Oceanside area)
- 3 The Foodbank & Soup Kitchen (Salvation Army programs supported by all the churches and by the wider community)
- 4 *Memorial & Heritage Care* (supporting families in grief, end-of-life care, burials, churchyard and heritage building care, and memorial celebrations)
- 5 *Hospice, Palliative Care Units* end-of-life care, counselling, and education
- 6 Coldest Night of the Year —outreach to the homeless
- 7 *Echo Theatre* community theatre productions, social commentary, homelessness outreach

- 8 *Prayer Shawl, Visitation & Care Homes* providing local support in times of need, and visiting residents in assisted-living & long-term care
- 9 *Kairos* promoting social justice, action, education and advocacy, both locally and nationally
- 10 *Bethlehem Centre* –diverse spirituality, interfaith, & programs beyond spiritual boundaries

C) affiliations: outreach in & beyond our region

- 1 Reconciliation engaging with First Nations locally and nationally in engaging with acts and gestures towards reconciliation
- 2 The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) global Anglican work in responding to disasters and promoting development (eg forest-fire crises, refugee sponsorship)
- 3 Anglican Appeal supporting national ministries, and especially those in northern & remote communities, and indigenous ministries
- 4 VST (Vancouver School of Theology) & Sorrento our theological school & educational retreat centre
- 5 the *Anglican Foundation*, enabling ministry projects in BC and across Canada
- 6 Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB) Canadian-based programs operating globally to respond to world hunger an ecumenical & PWRDF program
- 7 *Refugee Ministry* promoting supportive action, funding, and sponsorship advocacy, on Vancouver Island
- 8 *St. Paul's, Corozal, Diocese of Belize,* supporting outreach & elementary education in a context of poverty
- 9 *Charter for Compassion* nurturing and educating for a global culture of compassion
- 10 The Centre for Action & Contemplation satellite programming, contextualized by Spirituality Beyond Borders, from the centre founded by Richard Rohr

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