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### Service Times

We have 3 services on Sunday morning:

8:00 AM Holy Communion

9:00 AM Family Eucharist & Sunday School

11:15 AM Morning Prayer (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays)

Choral Eucharist (2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays)

Silent Prayer 20 min Contemplative 'sit' 8:30 AM Mon- thru Thurs

Service of Contemplative Prayer Wednesdays at 10:00 AM

Midweek Eucharist Thursdays 10:00 AM followed by Bible Study

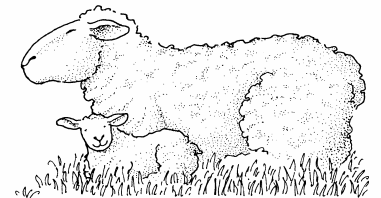


Welcome to  
St. Philip's Anglican Church  
April 13, 2008



Jesus said,  
"I am the gate for the sheep."

**John 10:7**



## PRAYERS for the week of April 13, 2008

### For the WORLD, our COUNTRY and this CITY

Pray that the peace and the power of Christ, newly risen, will fill our hearts -- and our world!

Pray for the people of Zimbabwe.

Pray for those caught up in violence -- in Tibet and China, in Columbia and Ecuador and Venezuela, in the Congo, Darfour, in Israel and the Gaza strip, in India and Pakistan, in Canada.

Please continue to pray for Yohannes Tesfay as he waits to leave the refugee camp in Ethiopia

### For the CHURCH

Pray for our Primate, Fred Hiltz, Bishop, James Cowan and for the Diocesan staff.

In the cycle of prayer for the parishes, lift up the people of St. Mark's Qualicum Beach and their rector, Alan Naylor.

**Myanmar** In our cycle of prayer for the Church of Myanmar, we bless our friends in this far away country and pray for God's spirit of courage and peace in their hearts. We lift up the Diocese of Yangon, Archbishop Samuel San Si Htay & Bishop John Tin Maung.

### Mission

Pray for the ministry of the *Foundation for the Children of Haiti*. Pray especially now for the people of Haiti caught up in a cycle of poverty, rising prices and immense frustration. Pray for the housemothers and children of Hope Home, for Judith Armstrong and the team in Port Au Prince now, and for Karen Klashinsky also in Haiti now. Pray for their safety.

### For our SPECIAL NEEDS and CONCERNS

Rachel Nordstrom	Lynn Pipes	Erica Blais
Terry Stanko	Kim Galloway	Judy Gill
Vivian Martin	Ruth Layne	



Fourth Sunday Of Easter

## NEXT TIME YOU THINK YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING ON PONDER THE VASTNESS OF SPACE

If you get in your car and drive around the world, by the end of your trip you will have travelled 40,000 kms. Your trip will take roughly 50 days. The world is a big place.

But, in relationship to other bodies in the cosmos, this earth upon which we live, is not so big after all. You could fit 1000 earths inside Jupiter. You could fit 1000 Jupiters inside the sun. It would take one million earths to fill the sun. And that body we call the sun is only a medium-sized planet.

If you decide to travel in space, the distances are vast. Astronomers use the fastest speed known to humans to measure distances in space. They call it the "speed of light." The speed of light is the distance light travels in one year. Light travels 300,000 kms every second. This is 10 million million kms. in one year. Light can go around the earth 7 ½ times in one second.

Using the "light years" measurement, the moon is 1.3 seconds away from the earth. The sun is 8.3 minutes away from the earth. But, if you are planning on holidaying on a nearby star, the closest star is Proxima Centauri. Your trip will take 4.3 light years.

If the sun was a large grapefruit on your kitchen table in Victoria, the earth would be smaller than the head of a pin on the other side of the house. The star Proxima Centauri would be a cherry in Toronto.

If you want to travel to a neighbouring galaxy, your nearest option is the Andromeda Nebula, poetically known as M31. Your trip will take 2.3 million light years.

Beyond our neighbourhood of galaxies there is a much larger cluster of galaxies roughly 50 million light years away. If you want to explore the furthest objects scientists have so far been able to discover in the cosmos, your trip will take 10 billion light years. That's a lot of space to cover.

### Emergency Preparedness - starts with a free workshop:

*Emergency Preparedness Starts with YOU!* One session will be held at Windsor Park Pavilion, Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, and offered again at Emmanuel Baptist Church on Wednesday, May 28. The workshops are *free*. Register at 592-9121/ [coordinator@oakbayemergency.com](mailto:coordinator@oakbayemergency.com)

### St. Luke's Anglican Church Spring Fair

There are bargains to be found at the Handicrafts table, in Baking, Books, White Elephant; Antiques & Collectibles; Plants and Toys. The sale will be held at St. Luke's Anglican Church, 3821 Cedar Hill Cross Road on Saturday, **April 26**, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

### U2Charist

Worship, Celebrate & share in the Holy Eucharist with the Music of U2 at the Anglican Church of the Advent in Colwood (510 Mount View Avenue), Friday, May 2, 7:00 PM

### Rental Accommodation needed:

Quiet, responsible woman (late 40's) is in urgent need of a large 2 bedroom suite or duplex with storage, laundry and separate entrance, preferably main floor. Current landlord is renovating – will provide reference. I conduct a small business from my home, teaching sewing in small groups. I have a 9 year old indoor cat. The home must be in the municipality of Victoria, preferably in the Fernwood/Oaklands area. Prefer rental of approximately \$1200. Please call Andrea at 298-9147. Thank you.

### Flower Calendar



All through Lent our sanctuary has been bare of flowers. Now we will have flowers in the church again, *as parishioners sponsor them*, each Sunday through until the beginning of Advent. If you are celebrating a special occasion or commemorating an anniversary, think about marking the date with a gift of flowers for the altar. There is a 'Flower Calendar' on the General Office door. Mark your name & telephone number down on the Sunday significant for you. A member of the Altar Guild will contact you before that Sunday and you can either choose the flowers for the arrangement yourself, or provide a sum of money to cover their cost.

### Wednesday morning Service of Word & Silence

Join us – here at St. Philip's every Wednesday at 10:00 AM.

### Thursday Eucharist & Bible Study

All are welcome at 10:00 AM each Thursday morning for the Eucharist service, followed by a great Bible Study at 10:30.

- every week - EXCEPT April 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

Week in week out there is always a small group here Wednesdays for Contemplative Prayer and Thursdays for the Eucharist and Bible Study. Very occasionally it happens that both Christopher and Harry must be away and at the end of this month, both the April 23 & April 24 services are cancelled.

### Fair Trade COFFEE

St. Philip's supports 'fair trade,' buying coffee for our fellowship time from the *Level Ground Trading Ltd.* The company offers many varieties and package sizes. Coffee is available in beans and ground, decaf as well as regular. **Chris Eve** is serving as our parish rep and establishing an email list. Email Chris at [chriseve@shaw.ca](mailto:chriseve@shaw.ca)

### Silent Meditation Retreat Day - April 26<sup>th</sup>

Spend a day in silent, contemplative prayer at the beautiful waterfront property of Glenairley in East Sooke.

The retreat day, facilitated by Christopher & Heather Page, will consist of group sitting, walking meditation, *lectio divina* and some free time in the afternoon for exploring the area or resting in solitude. Cost for the day is \$20.00. Carpools can be arranged.

To Register please email [admin@contemplative.org](mailto:admin@contemplative.org) and send a \$20 cheque payable to The Contemplative Society & marked Silent Retreat Day (PO Box 205, Cobble Hill BC, V0R 1L0). Please bring a bag lunch. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

### Seder left-overs?

Who set table with their best crystal wine glasses? There are 2 separate bags of things looking to reunite with their owners after our Seder at Emmanuel Baptist. Both bags now sit on top of the coat rack outside the church office.

## OAK BAY'S 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ARTIST TOUR

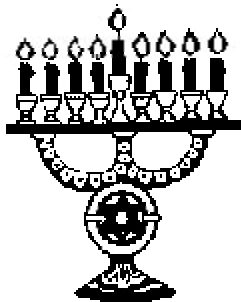
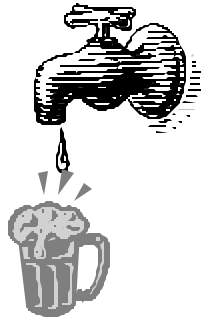
Victor Lotto invites you and friends to his OPEN STUDIO, SATURDAY, APRIL 19 and SUNDAY, APRIL 20 --noon to 4:30 PM --2605 Cotswold Road (off Cadboro Bay Rd) In addition to local scenes in acrylic and watercolour Vic will have paintings from recent trips to San Miguel de Allende in Mexico, North Yorkshire and the Lake District in England.

## THEOLOGY ON TAP

THURSDAY APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup> at 7:30 PM

Christie's. Carriage House Pub

at 1739 Fort Street is the location for this monthly session of well-brewed beer and good talks about things theological. Topic for the evening: Hard Questions - When faith and scripture lead to violence...how do we respond?



## PASSOVER SEDER

SATURDAY, APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup> at 6:00 PM.

Location TBA.

You are invited to share in this 3,000 year old tradition of Israel's deliverance from slavery in Egypt as the Jews themselves celebrate it. We share this story with our Jewish brothers and sisters and taking part is a chance to delve deeper into the worldview out of which our

faith has developed. It is a wonderful evening of community, storytelling, eating, and ritual.

The meal will be potluck. Please let Ernest know ASAP if you would like to attend.

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## REMEDIAL ANGLICANISM 101



What is this thing we call Anglicanism?

*Where* did it come from? *Why* are we an Anglican Church?

*How* does the Anglican Church work? (*does* it 'work'?)

*Why* do we do the things we do?

If you have ever had any questions about the life and culture of the Anglican Church, this is your opportunity to have Christopher address those questions.

Come and find out everything you ever wanted to know about the Anglican Church

On three Wednesday evenings

**April 30, May 7 & May 14 – 7:30 - 9:00 PM.**

All are welcome - please join us - here at St. Phillip's.

## Shall we combine our annual PARISH PICNIC – with 'Church in the Park'??



Our Parish Picnic is scheduled this year for **Sunday, June 22.**

The idea has been suggested that we might combine our three Sunday morning services and transport them to Willows Beach Park at 10:30 AM for everyone.

IF we are going to do this, it will require some planning. If you are willing to help plan and

orchestrate such an undertaking, Christopher would like to meet with you on **Monday May 5, 7:00 PM** at the church.

## Thank you Provincial Government Employees

[www.bcpublicservice.ca/communityfund](http://www.bcpublicservice.ca/communityfund)

Twice a year St. Philip's receives a cheque from the Provincial Employees Community Services Fund. This workplace fundraising campaign enables BC Government employees to support "local charitable organizations that strengthen our communities" through bi-weekly and one-time payroll deductions and through fundraising events. 100% of the donations given, are passed on to hundreds of charitable organizations. The Government absorbs all administrative costs, and donations stay within the local community. "St. Philip's Church" is one of the many organizations that government employees may name as their designated "charity." Thank you to those who do choose to contribute in this way.

## *The second in a series of seven reflections upon:* **A VISION STATEMENT FOR ST. PHILIP ANGLICAN CHURCH**

#2. We desire to enable all people to live and grow in life-transforming communion with God through the person of Jesus who is the Christ and by the gracious work of God's Holy Spirit.

Living in communion with God is the meaning of human existence. We were created to live as image-bearers of God. (*Genesis 1:27*). Paul says, "we have this treasure in clay jars." (*II Corinthians 4:7a*). There is a hidden invisible dimension to our being that is expressed through our bodies and our actions. The more we live in relationship to this inner reality, the more fully we will fulfill God's purpose.

Jesus is this invisible reality present in our lives and in the world today. He is the power and force of love at work transforming lives, enabling us to live today as he lived when he was physically present in history. Paul says in II Corinthians that we bear the Spirit of God in order "that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us." (*II Corinthians 4:7b*)

The church exists to encourage us to live in relationship with God through Christ. In living in this relationship our lives are transformed. We discover new values and new ways of being in the world. By living in this new way of Christ we become agents of transformation.

This is not a program. The only way we can fulfill our god-given purpose is by staying deeply in touch with the Spirit of God and acting in accordance with the direction and guidance God brings in our hearts. The church exists to encourage each of us to stay conscious and responsive to God's presence and work in our lives.

How can I nurture my awareness of the hidden invisible dimension of life?

In what ways is my life being transformed by my consciousness of God's presence?

HAVE YOU JOINED US RECENTLY –  
OR CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS OR TELEPHONE ?

Please help us keep our directory up to date

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

- I am a newcomer & would like to be on the parish list
- We've been around for ages but we've never actually told you where we live
- We've been around for ages and you used to know where we lived, but now we've moved
- I would like to have a visit from the Rector
- I would like to have Offering envelopes
- I would like financial information about Direct Deposit giving, planned giving, or leaving a bequest in my will.

## GARDENERS

**Birthright Plant Sale, St. Patrick's Church, 2060 Haultain,  
Saturday, May 10, 2008**

At this time, we would love you to dig up and divide some of your plants - shrubs, bulbs, tubers, herbs, indoor plants, flowering ground cover and vegetable plants. They'll be sold at our usual great prices. For more information or plant pick-up or to offer to help, please call *Susan Serafini 380-1464*. *Plants can be dropped off at the church hall on Friday, May 9 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.* PLEASE LABEL all your donations. Thank you.