

# VISION SUNDAY

Annual General Vestry Meeting



the Parish of St. Dunstan

*On the traditional lands of the Sto:lo Nation*

February 9th 2020

*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany*



# Welcome!

This is a diverse & safe congregation for people wherever they are on their journey with Christ. We are an inclusive church which means we celebrate women in leadership, children at the Eucharist & welcome LGBTQ+ people to participate fully in the community.

## W O R S H I P

**We will, with God's Help!**  
*Learning to live the baptized life.*  
*Following the way of Jesus.*  
*Together.*

### *For Children*

*The Nursery is staffed & open for children ages 0 to 4.*

*If you are interested in helping with this ministry, talk to David.*

*Activity bags are available in the entry near the colouring table.*

**All our volunteers & staff have a criminal record check.**

### *Taking Communion*

*Everyone is welcome to receive bread & wine as a sign of our commitment to Christ & Christ's commitment to us.*

*There are **gluten-free wafers** for those who need it & **juice** for those who prefer.*

**Prayers for healing** with the anointing of oil is offered beneath the cross during Communion. Please **light a candle** as a sign of your prayers.

# Today's Scripture

Introductions to the Lessons by Bill Bennett

**Matthew 5:** Jesus re-interprets the Law, an issue that brought him into conflict with the religious authorities.

## Vestry

### What is this thing called Vestry?

*Vestry is an old word that means Dressing Room. It is where the priest's funny clothes are stored. In older times the Vestry was also the space where meetings took place. In one room you would have both deep conversations about the life of the congregation, & the smell of mothballs.*

*At St. Dunstan's we have kept the word Vestry as the name of our annual general meeting. It is also the name of the assembled members who will take council together. Today we, the Vestry, have our Vestry meeting. Fun, isn't it?*

*According to the rules of the Diocese of New Westminster, "the Vestry of a Parish shall consist of all baptized persons of the age of sixteen or over who are accustomed worshippers within the Parish & whose names have been on the Membership Roll of the Parish for at least three months preceding the Vestry Meeting."*

*According to these same rules, you can vote on a motion at Vestry if you "have within the preceding twelve months provided an identifiable commitment of time, talents or financial resources to the Parish or have been in receipt of the ministrations of the Parish because of illness or any other incapacity shall have the right to vote at any Vestry Meeting."*

*Today we want everyone to leave having a good grasp on the vision for the next year. Please take the time to pray for the people gathered here that we might be drawn ever nearer into the mission & ministry of God in our neighbourhoods & in the wider world, with Jesus Christ, our Friend & Helper. Amen.*

*Weekly devotions are available on the welcome desk as well as on the website.*

*The liturgy is taken from the Book of Alternative Services of the Anglican Church of Canada. Hymns numbers are indicated after the hymn title & found in the blue Common Praise hymn book. The readings are taken from the Revised Common Lectionary. The entire service is projected on the wall.*

## Gathering the Community

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*the Greeting & Announcements*

**Deep in our Hearts**

*the Vestry Prayer*

## Proclaiming the Word

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*the Gospel according to Matthew (5:21-37) & the Sermon  
the Annual General Vestry Meeting (see agenda below)*

*the Peace & the Offering*

**Worship the Lord**

## Holy Communion

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*All are welcome to receive bread & wine (or juice) at Communion.*

**Bread for the Journey**

**What Can I Do?**

**Grateful**

## Sending the Community

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*the Blessing*

**We Have this Ministry**

**Coffee & refreshments are served in the hall following the service.  
Please visit the Information Table in the entry if you have any questions.**

# Vestry

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- ☞ Call to Order
- ☞ Charge to Vestry
- ☞ Adoption of Agenda
- ☞ Vestry 2019 minutes (**motion #1 to adopt**)
- ☞ Annual Reports (**motion #2 to receive**)
- ☞ 5 Year Strategic Vision Plan Report
- ☞ 2020 parish budget (**motion #3 to adopt**)
- ☞ Nominating Committee report (**motion#4 to adopt**)
- ☞ Ratification of appointments:
- ☞ Trustees (**motion #5**)
- ☞ Signing officers (**motion #6**)
- ☞ Treasurer (**motion #7**)
- ☞ Lay Administrators of the Sacrament of Holy Communion (**motion #8**)
- ☞ Lay Administrators of Holy Unction (**motion #9**)
- ☞ Other business
  - Memorial Garden Report (**motion # 10**)
- ☞ Adjournment (**motion #11**)

## Annual Vestry Meeting – Draft Motions

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### **Motion #1 – Adoption of Minutes**

Be it resolved that the minutes of the February 17th, 2019 Annual General Vestry Meeting of St. Dunstan's, Aldergrove be adopted as presented.

### **Motion#2 – Reception of Annual Reports**

Be it resolved that the Annual Reports of St. Dunstan's Ministries & programs be received as presented in the Annual Vestry Report, 2019.

### **Motion #3 – to adopt the 2020 parish operating budget**

Be it resolved that the 2020 Operating Budget be adopted as presented.

### **Motion #4 – to adopt the Nominating Committee report**

Be it resolved that the slate of nominations for Parish Council be adopted as presented.

### **Motion #5 – to appoint Trustees**

Be it resolved that Parish Council be appointed the Trustees of the Corporation.

### **Motion #6 – to appoint Signing Officers**

Be it resolved that any two of the following be authorized to sign cheques: Lois Curtis, Charlie Fox, Doug Tindall, Theresa Tancock.

### **Motion #7 – to appoint our Treasurer**

Be it resolved that the Parish of St. Dunstan appoint Mr. Dwight Martin as treasurer of the Corporation.

### **Motion #8 – to request Bishop to appoint Eucharistic Ministers**

Be it resolved that Bishop Skelton be requested to authorize the Rector to use the following persons as Lay Administrators of the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the year 2020.

Bill Betts  
Lois Curtis  
Linda Davies  
Trevor Davies  
Ian Elliott  
Madeline Gallard  
Charlie Hamilton  
Jim Hober  
Megan Huizing

Bruce Kennedy  
Carol Knelson  
Janette Kovacs  
Lorie Martin  
Audrey McAuley  
Katherine Murray  
Lin Neifert  
Jacqui Pesek  
Kerry Pope

Barb Popham  
Jesse Rintoul  
Eleanor Rushton  
Brian Smith  
Kelsey Tuffin  
Diane Henderson  
Laura Wallace  
Kathleen Wiens  
Merrill Young

### **Motion #9 – to request Bishop to appoint Lay anointers**

Be it resolved that Bishop Skelton be requested to authorize the Rector to use the Healing Prayer team as Lay Administrators of the Oil of Unction for the year 2020.

### **Motion #10 – Memorial Garden**

Be it resolved that the Parish of St. Dunstan receive the Memorial Garden Report  commission the Memorial Garden Committee to develop a financial plan  build the Memorial Garden.

### **Motion #11 – Adjournment**

Move to adjourn the 2020 Annual General Vestry Meeting of the Parish of St. Dunstan.

# OUTREACH

## Monday

### Fraser River Counselling at St. Dunstan's

*Low cost counselling is provided by supervised counselling students from Trinity Western University. For more information, please connect with an intake worker at 604-513-2113.*

## Tuesday

### Aldergrove Food Bank Soup Kitchen

*The Parish of St. Dunstan's has committed to cooking & serving soup on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month. Please connect with Ann Embra at 604-534-9292 or [ann\\_embra@telus.net](mailto:ann_embra@telus.net) to learn how you can get involved.*

### ESL

*Classes are at 7pm. All are welcome. For more information please connect the church office.*

## Thursday

### Community Meal

*Each Thursday at 4:30pm.*

*Want to help create this amazing meal? Please sign up on the poster at the entrance to the Worship Space. For more information on what volunteering involves, please connect with David.*

## Stewardship

*Have you considered signing up for **pre-authorized debit (PAD)**? It is easy & a good way to support the church even when you cannot be present for a service. Please connect with David or one of the other parish leaders for more information.*



## PWRDF

The Primate's World Relief  
and Development Fund

*For more information, please visit [PWRDF.ORG](http://PWRDF.ORG). There you can read all about the good work it does, current areas of need & how you can participate.*

# COMMUNITY CARE

- Reconciliation**     *The priest is available to hear confession by appointment.*
- Listening Prayer**     *Prayer for those in crisis or need. For more information please connect with Katherine Murray at [katherine.murray22@gmail.com](mailto:katherine.murray22@gmail.com).*
- Spiritual Direction**     *Trained Spiritual Directors are available. To arrange please email [StDunstansCentre@gmail.com](mailto:StDunstansCentre@gmail.com)*
- Ride Sharing**     *If you need a ride, or can offer one, please let someone at the Information Booth know.*
- Visiting**     *If you need a visit, please call the office to arrange. If you would like to become a pastoral visitor, please connect with the priest.*
- Prayer Chain**     *If you wish someone to be remembered in our Prayer Chain Ministry, please email the office.*
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**Men's Coffee**

*Wednesdays at 9am*

**Men's Breakfast**

*the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month in the hall*

**Women's Coffee & Crafts**

*Fridays at 10am*

**Women's Breakfast**

*the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at McDonald's*

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## SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKES

*February 25<sup>th</sup> at 5pm*

*Shrove Tuesday marks the last evening before Lent. In ancient times people took this time to shivel up their pantries in preparation for the season of fasting.*

*How will you shivel up your pantry this season?*



# CHRISTIAN FORMATION

## Children

**Messy Church** every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month (September to May) at 4:30pm. Messy Church includes stories, crafts, dinner & Holy Communion. It is planned with the whole family in mind. All are welcome. Please connect with Carol Tindall at 604-866-6125 for more information & how to volunteer.

## St. Dunstan's & St. Andrew's Youth

**We will have a kickoff for us all to enjoy soon! Keep checking back!**

Youth is a time to hang out, have a Bible Study, eat snacks & play games.

You definitely want to invite a friend!



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SPIRITUAL  
RENEWAL

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The Centre for Spiritual Renewal is the name we give to our Adult Christian Formation programs at St. Dunstan's. Please pick up the most recent program guide & check our website regularly for more information on coming events.

## Centering Prayer

Wednesdays at 6:30pm, Fridays at 11:30am  
20 minutes of silence & connection with God.

## Study Group

Wednesday at 7pm  
A drop-in series of studies meant to inspire your faith. This group is a great way to meet members & ask important questions.

## February 19<sup>th</sup> – Common Prayer & Music

Why is music important to the prayer life of the community?  
How can we develop a Choral Congregation

## Lectio & Labyrinth

Fridays, from Noon to 1pm  
A chance to practice our journeying & listening together. Indoor labyrinth practices are available.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Events marked with ☩ are through the Centre for Spiritual Renewal.

- ☩ **Spiritual Practice Series**      ***Tonight**, February 16<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 8:30pm*  
*Ancient Treasures of Chanting with Rev'd David Taylor & Carol Tindall*  
*Please see Centre for Spiritual Renewal program*
- Messy Church**      *Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup> from 4:30 to 6:30pm*
- ☩ **Welcoming Prayer in Lent**      *Sundays, February 23<sup>rd</sup> – April 5<sup>th</sup> 11:30am-1pm*  
*Please see Centre for Spiritual Renewal program*
- ☩ **Sung Evening Prayer**      *Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:30 to 8:30pm*  
*With Cathy Hardy*  
*Please see Centre for Spiritual Renewal program*
- Pancake Supper**      *Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 5pm*
- Ash Wednesday Service**      *Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 7-8pm*
- Modern Slavery-  
Hidden in Plain Sight**      *Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-2:30pm*  
*Presented by Cathy Peters, A Champion Against Human Trafficking*  
*Sponsored by Anglican Church Women*
- ☩ **Lent Morning Retreat**      *Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 12pm*  
*With Joe Baker*  
*Please see Centre for Spiritual Renewal program*

# The Four Commitments of Commitment Sunday on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10am

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As we embark on another year of ministry together, consider these four commitments. Pray and discern in your heart how you can participate in the life of the community. I would be happy to meet with you to talk about and questions you might have about any of these areas. I want to support you in your life in Christ. You are God's Beloved Child and a member of this household of faith.

## Commitment 1 – PRESENCE

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Regular participation in Holy Eucharist.

- *I will be nourished regularly with the spiritual food of Christ.*

## Commitment 2 – SERVICE

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Join a Sunday Service Team or Thursday Meal Team.

- *I will help ensure Sunday services (morning and evening) are set up, staffed with volunteers and tidied.*
- *I will help ensure our Thursday Meal is staffed.*

## Commitment 3 – PERSONAL SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

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Attend a Centre for Spiritual Renewal event.

- *I will strengthen my walk with Jesus by attending a study group, small group, retreat, conference or other event.*

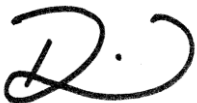
## Commitment 4 – GIVING

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Support the ministry of the Parish financially through regular giving.

- *I will sign-up for CanadaHelps, Pre-Authorized debit, or use an envelope number.*
- *I will increase my financial commitment by \$2-\$5 weekly.*

With Love,



**Next Sunday: Commitment Sunday.** Readings include: *The Book of Exodus 24:12-18, The Second Letter of Peter 1:16-21, Matthew 17:1-9*



## The Parish of St. Dunstan

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The Parish of St. Dunstan, Aldergrove



### Office hours

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30 – 12:00 pm

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Carol Tindall 604-856-4695

#### Archbishop

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