

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020

• **ALL SAINTS' GARDEN MAINTENANCE.** If you are interested in assisting in the garden, please contact Lolla (250-537-2918), Ros (250-538-1902) or Sharon (250-537-9575). Weather permitting, the next meeting of All Saints' gardeners will be **FRI SEP 4 @ 9AM**. Please bring your own tools and refreshment.

• **ORANGE SHIRT DAY—WED SEP 30.** Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake in the spring of 2013. It grew out of Phyllis's account of losing her shiny new orange shirt on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually. Orange Shirt Day provides an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and community agencies to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come. Wear your orange shirts on Wednesday 30th September to support this cause.

### *In the Community*

• **WAGON WHEEL HOUSING SOCIETY LAUNDROMAT & SOAP EXCHANGE OPEN HOUSE—TODAY! SUN AUG 30, 2PM-4PM @150-162 Fulford-Ganges Rd (Creekhouse).** For more information, contact Cherie at 250-537-5863.

• **LUKE WALLACE: THROW A BOAT DOWN CONCERT—THU SEP 3, 6:30PM-8:30PM @ Centennial Park boat launch** (meet at the floating stage adjacent to Gasoline Alley). A paddle-powered, floating concert where the audience is invited to arrive by paddle board, kayak, canoe or rowboat to tune into the songs of Vancouver's Luke Wallace. With a full paddle's distance between watercraft, it's a COVID-safe but splashy way to celebrate the start of the Labour Day long weekend. *By donation* – every dollar you give supports RAVEN, an organization dedicated to raising legal defence funds for Indigenous Nations who are defending environmental rights in court. For more information and to register/purchase tickets, go to <https://fundraise.raventrust.com/event/throw-a-boat-down-concert-afloat-with-luke-wallace/e298251>.

• **SELF-GUIDED WEEKEND STORYWALK:** For the duration of the prescribed social distancing period, the library is offering families free self-guided StoryWalks in Mouat Park, **FRI 10AM – MON 4PM:**

**AUG 28 – 31:**        *Can I Play Too?*  
**SEP 4 – 7:**         *Moonsnail Song*  
**SEP 11 – 14:**      *My Blue is Happy*  
**SEP 18 – 21:**      *The Snurtch*

For more information, visit <https://saltspring.bc.libraries.coop/event/weekend-storywalk-4>.

• **VIRTUAL TERRY FOX RUN—SUN SEP 20.** Salt Spring Islanders can continue to support cancer research by participating in Virtual Runs from coast to coast this September. Wherever you are, walk, ride, run! Unite in spirit, not in person. To register as an individual, family or a virtual team, visit <https://terryfox.org/Run>. Help to celebrate the **40th anniversary of Terry's Marathon of Hope** by registering today!

### **In the Diocese and Beyond**

• **LIVING OUR VISION IN PLACE: A CIRCLE OF SUPPORT APPROACH TO LAY MINISTRY LEADERSHIP—WED SEP 2, 3PM-4PM via ZOOM.** This webinar is open to all but intended for Parish leaders who are curious about doing ministry differently in their community. It will explore the topic of lay ministry. **Lay Ministry and Leadership Formation** is one of the directions of our diocesan **vision** because the vocation of all the baptized is a vital and ongoing part of our lives as people of faith. The ministry we exercise in formal and quotidian ways is God working in and through us. In many contexts it is an unsustainable and unrepeatable expectation for all our church leaders to be educated and trained in the way that has become the norm. The role of lay ministry in the future life of the church is arguably more important to understand today than in recent history, and new models of ministry formation need to be identified and evolve with us. Since the start of the pandemic our **National Indigenous Ministries** has been working on a circle of support and formation for lay ministers. In this webinar, National Indigenous Anglican **Archbishop Mark MacDonald** will share the story of this work in setting people free to exercise their ministry as lay leaders in communities across the Anglican Church of Canada.

• **SEASON OF CREATION—SEP 1 to OCT 4.** Christians around the world are invited to give particular attention to praying and caring for God's creation as part of the global Season of Creation, observed from September 1 to October 4 every year. In our diocese, the diocesan Vision Implementation Teams for Engaging God's World and Worship Resources are encouraging parishes and individuals, during these 34 days, to reflect on creation as part of our ongoing season of discipleship, asking ourselves, how does our call to discipleship inform our relationship to the land, earth and sky of God's good creation? And then to take action in some way both personally and corporately. Parishes are particularly encouraged to use this time to consider the motion passed at our 2018 synod regarding single-use plastics (see below) and implement policies to meet our 2023 target to end the purchasing these products. For ways that you can get involved, go to <https://bc.anglican.ca/events/season-of-creation-2020/2020-09-01>.

For more information on any of these events, visit <https://bc.anglican.ca/events>.