

## Notice of Ministry Opportunity in the Diocese of Rupert's Land Full Time Incumbent St. Mary Anglican Church, (Charleswood) Winnipeg, Manitoba

The Parish of St. Mary Charleswood describes itself as "a community of faith committed to a caring, loving relationship with God and each other". The Parish offers an open and welcoming atmosphere of worship, outreach, learning and fellowship to all people.

St. Mary's began as a mission in 1914, worshipping out of private homes and a school, until the first church building was constructed in 1922. In 1956 a new building was erected to serve the growing needs of this congregation. A parish hall was added and other renovations completed in 1976 and further improvements carried out in the early 1990s.

St. Mary has a membership of 333; (87 families and 45 individuals) with an average Sunday attendance of 72 and 127 identifiable givers. Members of this parish are amazingly active in parish life. Many share their gifts and talents in a variety of ministries as members of: committees concerned with worship, local mission and outreach Committees (food bank, companion diocese, friendship, breakfast, PWRDF) to name but a few. The parish also hosts a variety of educational groups: Adult Education, a Bible Study group, Sunday school and more.

A choral Eucharist is celebrated each Sunday using the BAS with musical accompaniment by keyboard, guitar, violin and organ. Music plays an important part in the life of this worshipping community with dedicated choir members sharing a mix of contemporary and more traditional hymns.

This parish desires to build on current strengths by:

- Engaging in joyful, diverse, vibrant worship, with an openness to exploring new worship styles
- Seeking opportunities to explore faith and differing views in a safe environment
- Being a welcoming community who values each individual
- Reaching out to those in need in the community and to those beyond our parish community;
- Encouraging more laity to take on leadership roles and participate in parish life.
- Nurturing and growing youth and children's involvement in the life of the parish.

St. Mary's is seeking an Incumbent who:

- Can help its members explore and grow in faith, respecting a variety of viewpoints, including both traditional and contemporary perspectives and relevance in our worship, and who is open and creative in enriching the worship experience.
- Possesses strong preaching and teaching skills, and ability to engage people of diverse age groups, educational backgrounds, and those in various stages in their faith journey.
- Possesses a strong sense of personal and spiritual integrity, and who models grace, has a genuine interest and love of people, a sense of humour and a commitment to pastoral ministry.
- Places importance on finding ways of involving and meeting the needs of children and youth and their families.
- Will work collaboratively with parish leadership; practice good teamwork, is ecumenicallyminded and works at developing a culture of grace by understanding and example.

In support of its new Incumbent, the Parish of St. Mary employs a part-time secretary, a part-time caretaker, and a part-time Music Director, an active Vestry, and leadership group, along with many volunteers serving God in a variety of ministries and activities.

Interested persons may request a complete parish profile and the procedure for making an application from:

The Bishop's Office 935 Nesbitt Bay Winnipeg, MB R3T 1W6 204-992-4212 or e-mail: <u>exec.asst@rupertsland.ca</u>

The deadline for receipt of applications for the position of Incumbent of St. Mary, Charleswood, Winnipeg, is **12:00 noon on Friday, June 23, 2017.**