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JULY 20<sup>TH</sup> IS THE WANING  
CRESCENT MOON.

National Moon Day is also on  
July 20. It commemorates the  
day man first walked on the  
moon in 1969.

# ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN

## BEACON Newsletter – July 20, 2025

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St. Peter's

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### **WEEKLY SERVICES:** Sunday at 8 a.m. (BCP) AND 10 a.m. (BAS)

Our 10 a.m. service on Sunday is livestreamed. Use this link to watch the service LIVE:

<https://www.stpeterduncan.ca/sermons/current-service>

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **FUNERAL & RECEPTION FOR VERA MARTIN** on Thursday July 24 at 1 p.m.
- **FUNERAL & RECEPTION FOR ROBIN LUXMOORE** on Saturday July 26 at 11 a.m.
- **MS BIKE COWICHAN STOPS AT ST. PETER'S** on Saturday August 9 in the morning (time TBD) – see below..
- **INCUMBENT THEO ROBINSON** leads Sunday services on August 17.
- **FALL DIOCESAN WOMEN'S RETREAT** on September 26-28. *More details on bulletin board in the hall...*

### THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Deacon Norah Fisher will lead Morning Prayer at 8 a.m. and Dean Ansley will preside at the 10 a.m. service.

### HELP NEEDED AT TWO FUNERAL RECEPTIONS AT ST. PETER'S

St. Peter's is hosting **TWO funeral receptions (Thursday July 24 and Saturday July 26))** and we are looking for help with table set up and take down, kitchen helpers and laundry.

If you can help with either or both functions, please email the church office [admin@stpeterduncan.ca](mailto:admin@stpeterduncan.ca) or speak to Marianne Nicoll. There are sign-up sheets in the parish hall.



\* Excerpt from a parish newsletter by Sarah Chesebro, Director of Altar Guild at Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church in Los Osos, California, Diocese of El Camino Real

## AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE ALTAR GUILD

Have you ever considered just how very many individual talents it takes to bring prayerful worship to a congregation? If your particular talents lie in the realm of decorating, or floral artistry, or if you have a devotional interest in the liturgical aspects of the Eucharist, St. Peter's Altar Guild would like to invite you to join them.

*"The altar guild is not a social group. We don't have potlucks; we seldom have meetings. We are not involved in the business of the church. We don't take votes or make momentous decisions. Most of what we do is invisible to the congregation and is meant to be that way. The work we do facilitates and enhances our worship and particularly the Eucharist."* \*

The time commitment for each Altar Guild member is quite small: about 2 hours per service on a bi-monthly, rotational basis. Usually, we do our work in teams of 2. Although currently we consist of about six women, the Altar Guild is not restricted to women. We welcome all parishioners.

Lastly, there are some wonderful "perks" to joining the Altar Guild. For example, we are privileged to get to decorate the Church at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter – truly magical times! If this appeals to you, please do consider becoming an Altar Guild member!

## MEET AND GREETs TO WELCOME REVEREND THEO

Thank you to those who have signed up to be hosts. We now have more than enough. Please continue to sign up if you'd like to **ATTEND** the meet and greets. In a couple of weeks, Liz Williams will coordinate the lists and contact everyone.

## FORWARD DAY BY DAY BOOKS



The Forward Day by Day books have arrived for August/September/October 2025. These books offer daily meditation and accompanying scripture. The books can be found on the table outside the parish office and on the credenza in the church. Each book is \$2.

## MS BIKE COWICHAN – ST. PETER'S IS ON THE ROUTE AS A "REST STOP"

**Mark August 9 on your calendar** as a day to take part in the MS Bike Ride or to volunteer as a cheering section at St. Peter's. The beautiful Cowichan Valley will be filled with cyclists of all levels to challenge themselves for a greater cause. All you need is a bike, a helmet, and the resolve to keep peddling. Go the distance to make a difference this summer! Register Here: [MS Bike / Vélo SP](#) Interested in volunteering for a great cause? Click here: [Volunteer Opportunities | MS Canada](#) Liz Williams will be on site at St. Peter's on August 9 to welcome the riders!

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of July 20:

**Members of our Congregation:** Pat, Vickie, David, Arnold, Mark, Jane, Jim, Alison, Cory, Jason, Connie, Gordon, Doreen, Hazel, Brandon.

**For Those Who Have Died:** We pray for the families of Vera Martin and Robin Luxmoore who mourn their deaths. "Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace and rise again in glory!"

### Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- St. Mary Magdalene, Mayne Island
- The Church of Pakistan (United)

**Government Leaders:** Charles, our King, Mark, our Prime Minister, David our Premier, Cindy, Chief of the Cowichan Tribes, and Rob and Michelle our mayors.

**Birthday Blessings this week:** Jane Fowler (July 23), Mark Oldnall (July 25)

**Parish Families:** The Reverend David and Mily Peterson, Allison and Chris Pierce, The Reverend William and Mary Pike.

**Flowers this week:** The flowers on the Reredos are given to the glory of God by Ron and Elizabeth Coulter in grateful thanksgiving for our families and for our many blessings.



## Taizé Service at St. Peter's Church on July 16, 2025

WE WELCOMED ALMOST 50 PEOPLE TO THE SERVICE. THESE INCLUDED 7 HARPISTS AND 1 FLAUTIST ALONG WITH OUR CHOIR.

PASTOR LIZ KUGLIN-ALYEA PRESIDED.

YOLANDE GORE SANG THE PRAYERS.

Many thanks to Marilyn Rummel for organizing this service and bringing all these diverse musical talents together.

AS ONE PERSON SAID, "IT'S THE BEST ONE I'VE ATTENDED!"