



ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN

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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>

Parish Financial Update from January 1 to Sept 21, 2025

Revenue (Income) \$157,986

Expenses \$183,390

Difference: \$25,404

Loan Balance \$19,238



MARK YOUR CALENDARS





- **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE** on Sunday October 5 at the 10 a.m. service. *See below...*
- **EILEEN CURTIS AWARDED ORDER OF THE DIOCESE OF BC** on Saturday October 25. *See below...*
- **VETERAN CEMETERY TOUR & TEA** on November 11th at 2 p.m. at St. Peter's Hall
- **WE TOGETHER DIOCESAN CONFERENCE** from Friday November 14 to the 15th.
- **THE REVEREND THEO'S INDUCTION** Tuesday November 25 at 4 p.m. Potluck supper to follow.

NEW FLAG

You may have noticed that we are flying a new flag outside of the church. This is the Survivors' Flag and we have hung it on the request from Primate Shane that all Anglican parishes should do so. The Survivors' Flag is an expression of remembrance, meant to honour residential school Survivors and all the lives and communities impacted by the residential school system in Canada. Each element depicted on the flag was carefully selected by Survivors from across Canada, who were consulted in the flag's creation. Go to <https://nctr.ca/exhibits/survivors-flag/> to learn about the different elements of the flag.

THE VERA MARTIN MEMORIAL FOOD DRIVE IS UNDERWAY

Please be generous and give with love as Vera did. The food drive continues through the end of this month ...



"Our fingerprints don't fade from the lives we touch."— Judy Blume

St. Peter's supports the Cowichan Valley Basket Society in their efforts to feed the hungry in the Cowichan Valley. Over the next few months, we are asking everyone to buy a little extra when they do their weekly grocery shopping. To make it easier, check the Beacon each week for a suggestion for an item to bring in OR just bring in what you have extra in the pantry.

This week's featured request: Canned vegetables - nutrient-rich, and fiber dense, they tend to last the longest in pantries and are the perfect, easy way to provide healthy options.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE

In honour of St. Francis of Assisi, renowned for his love of animals, this special service will take place on **Sunday October 5 at 10 a.m.** Pets of all types are welcome: furry, feathered, scaly, or stuffed. You may also bring a photo or memento of pets who don't travel well or who have died. Giving will be donated to Cowichan SPCA. All donations of dog or cat food are appreciated.

WHERE TO FIND REVEREND THEO'S PREVIOUS PUBLISHED WRITINGS

Reverend Theo has been asked to share some of his previously published writings. Almost everything he has written can be found on his blog at <http://tjrobinson.blogspot.com/>. He was also published in "Broadview Magazine" and in a spiritual care textbook, both of which he is willing to lend to those who want to read them.

OCTOBER FLOWER REQUEST

Thanksgiving Sunday, October 12, is available if you would like to make a special request for flowers on the Reredos. Please let Chris Easley know as soon as possible with the wording for the request and your flower choice. Email: crusty@cheezy.net or phone: 250 597 0075.

PREPARING FOR THANKSGIVING

The Altar Guild will decorate the church for Thanksgiving on Friday, October 10th at 10 a.m. Donations of produce would be greatly appreciated which will be donated to the Food Bank. We would be grateful anyone who would care to join us. For further information call Marg Berikoff at 250-746-5625.

ORDER OF THE DIOCESE OF BC

On Saturday, October 25, our very own Eileen Curtis will be awarded the Order of the Diocese of BC. The purpose of the Order is to honour and give special recognition to members of the diocese (and in the case of honorary awards, those not part of the diocese) who have given outstanding service over a significant period of time in their baptismal ministry. The service will be at Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria at 10:30am. You are all invited to attend. The service will also be live-streamed with the link if found at: <https://bc.anglican.ca/events/the-order-of-the-diocese-of-bc/2025-10-25>.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of September 28:

Members of our Congregation: Priscilla, Granville, Bonnie Jean, Pat, Vickie, Mark, Jane, Jim, Alison, Cory, Jason, Connie, Gordon, Doreen, Hazel, Brandon

For Those Who Have Died: We pray for Priscilla and the family of David Lowe who mourn his death. Let us pray, "Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and may light perpetual shine upon him. May he rest in peace and rise again in glory! Amen."

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- St. Peter, Campbell River
- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

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: Vickie Oldnall (September 30)

Parish Families: Elizabeth and Ron Coulter, Eileen Curtis, Bernard Davignon

Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Liz Kuglin-Alyea in thanksgiving to God on the 33rd anniversary of her ordination in the Lutheran Church.

FAREWELL BUT NOT GOODBYE



Many thanks for the lovely luncheon last Sunday and the cards and the generous gifts.

It was a difficult decision to make but after 15 years as Parish Administrator at St. Peter's, I've decided that it's time to make a change. I can't believe how much has happened and all the people who have come and gone. My family was certainly welcomed when we moved to the Valley and shortly after, I was fortunate to get the job at St. Peter's. I have cherished my time here and it's been a pleasure to serve in this role. I'll be back in a couple of months when I will happily serve in my next role as a parishioner.



Thanksgiving Letters are ready for pick up on Sunday. If you notice that your neighbour is absent, please take their letter and hand deliver it. This helps reduce postage fees.