

DAY OF PENTECOST

ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN

ANGLICAN CHURCH

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WEEKLY SERVICES: **Thursday at 10 a.m., Sunday at 8 a.m. (BCP) AND 10 a.m. (BAS)**
Our 10 a.m. service on Sunday is livestreamed. **For Sunday May 19**, click on OR copy and paste
this **LINK** into your web browser: <https://vimeo.com/945549144>

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

In lieu of Victoria Day on Monday May 20, the parish office will be closed on Tuesday May 21st. It will reopen on Wednesday at 9 a.m.

NAME TAGS

If you've ordered a St. Peter's name tag, you'll find them on the free-standing bulletin board in the hall. Many thanks to parishioner Judy Lowood who does the lovely calligraphy. If you'd like one, please add your name to the list which is also on the board.

WEEKLY FLOWER DELIVERY TO PARISHIONERS

Following the services every Sunday, several folks deliver the altar flowers to shut-in parishioners or parish families who are in our prayers. Would YOU be able to help with this ministry? There is a minimal time commitment involved, but it is a gift to parishioners that is very much appreciated. Please let Liz Williams (250-246-8964) know if you are interested in helping with this "behind the scenes" but very vital ministry.

A Pentecost Sonnet

written by Malcolm Guite

Today we feel the wind beneath our wings
Today the hidden fountain flows and plays
Today the church draws breath at last and sings
As every flame becomes a Tongue of praise.
This is the feast of fire, air, and water
Poured out and breathed and kindled into earth.
The earth herself awakens to her maker
And is translated out of death to birth.
The right words come today in their right order
And every word spells freedom and release
Today the gospel crosses every border
All tongues are loosened by the Prince of Peace
Today the lost are found in His translation.
Whose mother-tongue is Love, in every nation.

THIS SUNDAY - ST. PETER'S COMMUNITY CONVERSATION and SOUP LUNCH



FOLLOWING the 10 a.m. service.

Here's an opportunity to stay up-to-date on what's happening at St. Peter's and the surrounding area. These quarterly updates are a chance to hear from Parish Council about news that concerns YOU and a chance to ask questions and keep the conversation going.

All welcome! Soup and Bun lunch will be available.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **ST. PETER'S OUTDOOR SERVICE & BBQ** on Sunday June 30th at 10 a.m.
- **TAIZE SERVICE IN THE CEMETERY** on Wednesday July 17th at 7 p.m.
- **ST. PETER'S GARAGE SALE** on Saturday July 27th – see below

TRU EARTH BENEFITS ST. PETER'S



From May 22 to 28, St. Peter's will earn 30% on every sale when you use our Tru Earth Fundraising Link: <http://tru-earth.sjv.io/StPeterQuamichan> If you have any questions or problems placing an order, please reach out to Monica in the parish office or Liz our warden.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of May 19:

Members of our Congregation: Alison, Cory, Jim, Merle, Judi, Jason, Vital, Beverley, Ethel, Connie, Gordon, Doreen, Robin, Hazel, Brandon.

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- Jim and Norah our Clergy
- St. John the Baptist, Cobble Hill
- The Anglican Church of Canada

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

Birthday Blessings this week: Midge Adam (May 20), Vera Martin (May 21), Mary Nelson (May 24).

Parish Families: Matt and Hannah Smith, Audra Steel, Tim and Jane Stewart

Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Bea Fulton with thanksgiving for her daughter Patricia Fulton for her kind, caring and helpful way in dealing with her dad.

DID YOU KNOW?

St. Peter's is part of the Anglican Diocese of Islands and Inlets which consists of 45 parishes! As an ongoing long-term project, I will try and shed a little light on as many of these parishes as possible. This week we will look at the Anglican Parishes on **Salt Spring Island** which at one time numbered 5 but which have consolidated to become **All Saints by-the-Sea** in Ganges.

Anglican worship and community have been a vital part of Salt Spring Island life since 1869 when clergy from Chemainus came by boat to hold services in private homes and schools. In 1891, the first resident minister, Rev. Belton Haslam, was appointed to what would become **St. Mark's**. Two years later **St. Mary's** at Fulford was built followed by **St. Paul's** in 1913; however, St. Paul's was destroyed in 1939 by a suspicious fire. In 1940, **St. George's** was built followed by **St. Nicholas** in the 1950s. When attendance dropped to an average of six persons in 1977, St. Nicholas was sold as a residence to the poet Phyllis Webb. In 1993, St. George's Church was physically moved across Park Drive and expanded into the facilities that have become **All Saints by-the-Sea** in Ganges. In the spring of 2022 St. Mark's Church was deconsecrated and St. Mary's is now primarily used as a host facility for Star-of-the-Sea events which is a Centre for Spiritual Living and Practice.



All Saints by-the-Sea has Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m. and a weekday Eucharist on Thursdays at 5 p.m. If you happen to be on Salt Spring Island on a Wednesday afternoon this summer, you can check out the **Tea A' Tempo event series** which features a concert at 2:10 p.m. followed by Tea and Treats (\$5).