



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 26, click on OR copy and paste this **LINK** into your web browser: <https://vimeo.com/948077701>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **SASHA LUCHKOV RETURNS TO ST. PETER'S ON SUNDAY JUNE 9** – see below
- **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. – see below
- **ST. PETER'S GARAGE SALE** on Saturday July 27th – see below

A PERSONAL NOTE FROM REVEREND JIM



Dear Friends, as most of you have already heard, I will be taking a medical leave beginning in June to take care of my health as I face some medical issues. I will not be available for the summer months, but rest assured you will all be in my heart, in my thoughts and in my prayers. Please remember me in your prayers from time to time as well. I am, as ever, grateful for your friendship, your faithfulness, your kind support and your dedication. Bishop Anna and the Synod staff will ensure that the parish is supported in every way. You are in the very capable hands of an amazing group of leaders in Norah, Mark, Liz, Monica and Eileen, as well as the Parish Council. I look forward to being back among you, fully recovered, in a few months. Blessings to you and your family for a safe and restful summer.

SASHA LUCHKOV CONCERT

Sunday June 9th at 3 p.m. in St. Peter's Church. Now 19 years old, Sasha Luchkov has been studying at UBC under the brilliant Australian professor, David Fung, and he will be performing masterpieces by Debussy, Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Isaac Albéniz, and Canadian composer, Marc-André Hamelin. Entry by donation. All donations are gratefully received, and will go toward helping Sasha further his studies at UBC.

UPCOMING TAIZE SERVICES

Duncan United Church is holding a Taizé service **Saturday June 15 at 7 pm**. Some of the St. Peter musicians are playing at the service and everyone is invited to come and sing and pray. On **Wednesday July 17 at 7 p.m.** it is our turn to host with a service outside in the cemetery where we'll be joined by musicians and singers from DUC. (If the weather is bad we'll be in the church). Plan to attend these two worship opportunities!

ST. PETER'S GARAGE SALE IS ON JULY 27



Even though it is 2 months away, there are still LOTS of things that you can do to help!

SPREAD THE WORD – take some posters and flyers and put them on community bulletin boards at the library, coffee shops etc.

SHARE THE EVENT with your Facebook friends and on other social media sites

DE-CLUTTER YOUR HOUSE or help a friend or relative with this task

SPEAK TO THE ORGANIZER MARK OLDNALL if you can store items at your place or help with pick-ups in the community

A HEARTY THANK YOU

to everyone who had a hand in making Pentecost Sunday and the Parish Conversation a rewarding experience!

- To the Altar Guild for preparing the church for the feast day and the Banner Team for creating the lovely banners.
- For Marilyn and the Music Ministry – we were treated to the harp, the guitar, the organ, the piano AND the lovely voices of the choir! How blessed are we for the wonderful music every Sunday!
- For our Liturgical Team (Rev Jim, Rev Norah, Eileen and Gregg) who set the tone and keep the service running smoothly.
- For the 8 a.m. parishioners who stayed on or returned to attend the Parish Conversation.
- For the soup makers and the kitchen crew for filling our bellies with good food and drink.
- For wardens Liz and Mark and treasurer Eileen and their clear headedness while steering our ship through sometimes choppy waters.
- And for ALL OF YOU who attended Sunday's Parish Conversation and contributed ideas on these questions: What can our parish do to make our church more inviting? Regardless of the challenges we all face (age, mobility, time), what can EACH of us do to contribute to the continued health of St. Peter's? If you were unable to participate in this conversation, please send your ideas to our wardens: moldnall@stpeterduncan.ca and lwilliams@stpeterduncan.ca



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of May 26:

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, Duncan
- Church of the Province of Central Africa

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: David Scandrett (May 28), Brian Simmons (May 29).

Parish Families: Pearl Stoker, Sullivan Family, Pat Thomson

Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Bev Mountain in memory of Elizabeth.

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 **Holy Trinity Anglican Church in North Saanich** (close to Victoria Airport).



This church celebrates its 139th anniversary on Trinity Sunday, May 26th. Holy Trinity was consecrated in 1885 by the first Bishop of Columbia, Rt. Rev. George Hills, who travelled from Victoria accompanied by his archdeacon and three clergy. The following was written in the Church News: *"We have not space for a detailed description of the church, suffice it to say it is a commodious, substantial and handsome structure capable of comfortably seating 150 persons, and that it has proved a very inexpensive one, the total cost having been only \$1200.00."*

The original churchyard was about one-half an acre surrounding the church and was planned to accommodate 200 burial plots. The cemetery was enlarged on two other occasions until it assumed its present size of two acres and 1700 plots.

If you find yourself at the north end of the Saanich Peninsula on a Sunday, you can check out their services which are held at 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. or wander through their cemetery or labyrinth. The church is just steps from the ocean!