



The Anglican Parish of St. Peter, Quamichan

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Sunday at 8 AM (BCP) AND 10 AM (BAS)

Our 10 AM service on Sunday is livestreamed

Use this link to watch the service LIVE:

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



If you need of a ride, home communion, or a pastoral visit, please contact Jennifer Perry at (250) 732-4518.

If you would like to speak directly with Reverend Theo, please call (204) 782-9454 and leave a message.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

St. Peter's Presents: Anglican 101

Sunday, August 16 at 11:30 AM

Maple Bay Preschool School Supply Drive

Ongoing until August 30

Vera Martin Memorial Food Drive

Ongoing until September 27

Holden Evening Prayer

Sunday, August 23 at 7:00 PM

Gordon & Vickie Oldnall's 60th anniversary party

Saturday, August 29 from 1:00-4:00 PM

No RSVP required

Bible Study with Deborah Neal

Tuesday, September 8 at 7:00 PM

The Truth About Cowichan with Bishop Anna

Wednesday, September 30 from 1:30-3:00 PM

See page 2 for more information

St. Peter, Quamichan's 160th anniversary dinner

Saturday, October 24

Tickets available now

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Genesis 45:1-15

Psalms: 133 (BAS p. 890)

Second Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Gospel: Mathew 15:10-28

ANGLICAN 101

Our first of our education series begins this Sunday, August 16 at 11:30 with a soup and bun lunch and Archdeacon Jenny Replogle presenting Anglican 101. Be sure to stay after church for this enlightening seminar.

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St. Peter's Presents...

Anglican 101

with Archdeacon Jenny Replogle

What does it mean to be Anglican? Together we'll explore how the Anglican tradition came to be, the beliefs, spirituality, and ethos that shape our identity, and how these are lived out in the life of our parish today.



August 16th, 2026 @
11:30am in the Hall
Lunch will be
provided



Rector's Message



This Sunday, we continue the story of Joseph as he confronts his brothers for what they did to him. What would you do if these were your brothers and you were the one first left to die and then sold off like a piece of old unwanted furniture? Would you seek revenge? Teach them a lesson? Remove them from your life? As with many of our scripture stories, Joseph has a surprise waiting for us. Stay tuned!

Whether supportive or traumatic, family dynamics make us who we are inside. We each have our own way of dealing with our blood relatives, and sometimes that takes all the strength we have. The good news is that family doesn't have to be designated by blood. Many people have a chosen family for a variety of reasons, and these bonds can be just as strong, if not stronger, than genetics.

Sometimes, in order to find our chosen family, we need the chance to start over, the opportunity for new beginnings. In Joseph's case, he received a new beginning. God led him to a point where he could be reunited in love and unity with his family. That won't be the case for everyone. It takes a whole lot of courage to walk away from our genetic ties, but in the end it can be worth it.

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! (Ps 133:1)

Blessings,
Reverend Theo



THE TRUTH ABOUT COWICHAN

All are invited to join Bishop Anna at St. Peter's on September 30, National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, for an overview of the colonial history of the Cowichan Valley. With all the hype and anxiety right now about the 'Cowichan Decision' it is imperative that we understand how these lands were never ceded but were settled with 'Gunboat Diplomacy'.

The presentation and discussion will take place in the parish hall from 1:30 – 3:00 pm.

To help us plan for this event, we ask that you register in advance at <https://tinyurl.com/truthaboutcowichan>

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

The next Holden Evening Prayer service is on August 23 at 7:00 PM.



Holden Evening Prayer

Come As You Are – All Hearts Welcome

This is a Lutheran-based service of predominantly music and dimmed lighting.

5800 Church Rd
Duncan BC V9L 5M3
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<https://www.stpeterduncan.ca/>
for more information

DATES:
JUNE 21
AUGUST 23
OCTOBER 25
DECEMBER 13

AT 7:00PM

VERA MARTIN MEMORIAL FOOD DRIVE

The Vera Martin Memorial Food Drive will be kicking off August 23 and running until September 27. We kick the drive off with requests for breakfast items such as cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, jam, peanut butter, tea, coffee, and hot chocolate. If you are able, please bring any of these items with you to church on August 23. See the poster to the right for each week's suggested donations.

BIBLE STUDY WITH DEBORAH NEAL

As your council begins the work of launching a stewardship program, this Bible Study will be taking a look at what that means in regards to the gifts that God has given us. With one topic a week, we will look at:

Managing God's Gift of the World: How do we use the resources of our earth to the Glory of God? How do we protect Creation from exploitation and abuse?

Managing God's Gift of Other People: How do we love and serve one another?

Managing God's Gift of Time: How do we escape overloading our schedules or wasting our time?

And yes, finally *Managing God's Gift of Money:* How are we called to practice good management/stewardship—of the money, wealth, and possessions that God gives

us, not only for our own needs, but also for the benefit of our neighbours and for God's Glory.

We will meet in the lower lounge **every Tuesday evening at 7 pm for 4 weeks, starting on September 8.** Please feel free to join us for one, two, three, or all four evenings.

We will look at scripture references and discuss how they apply to us as we explore how stewardship embraces all of life. Space is already filling up. There is a sign-up sheet in the hall. I look forward to gathering with you and delving into this interesting subject.

Deborah
Neal,
Parishioner

The Anglican Parish of St. Peter, Quamichan

Managing God's Gifts - A Bible Study

-With Parishoner Deborah Neal



THE VERA MARTIN MEMORIAL FOOD DRIVE

 **Aug. 23: Start the day right!**
Cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, jam, peanut butter, tea, coffee, hot chocolate

 **Aug. 30: Pasta for the pantry.**
Pasta, pasta sauce, canned tomatoes, rice, macaroni and cheese, parmesan cheese (shelf-stable), olive oil

 **Sept. 6: Protein helps families thrive.**
Canned tuna, salmon, chicken, beans, lentils, chickpeas, peanut butter, nuts (sealed)

 **Sept. 13: Warm meals for cooler days.**
Canned soup, crackers, canned chili, canned stew, peanut butter, jam

 **Sept. 20: Healthy choices make a difference.**
Canned vegetables, canned fruit, applesauce, whole grain rice, quinoa, dried fruit

 **Sept. 27: Every donation counts! Bring your pantry favourites.**
Baby food, school snacks, granola bars, fruit cups, pudding cups, cookies, muffin mix, any non-perishable food items



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160th CELEBRATION

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Saturday, October 24, 2026 @ 5pm
5800 Church Rd, North Cowichan BC V9L 5M3

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the week of AUGUST 16:

Members of our congregation: Tricia, Norah, John, Suzanne, Shannon, Mary, Ann, Bonnie Jean, Pat, Vickie, Mark, Jane, Jim, Cory, Jason, Connie, Gordon, Doreen, Hazel, Brandon, Eileen

Anglican Cycle:

- Shane, Primate, Anglican Church of Canada
- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- St. Barnabas, Victoria
- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- The Church in Wales

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: Matthew Smith

Parish Families: Marianne Nicoll, Hazel Nielson, Mark & Grace Oldnall

Flowers this week: The flowers on the reredos are given to the glory of God by Bonnie Jean Loewen in thanksgiving for sending Theo to us and for our loving and supportive community.



THE ANGLICAN PARISH
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School Supply Drive

UNTIL AUG. 30

Let's Help Maple Bay Preschool Start the School Year Right!

What they need

- Mr Sketch Smelly Markers
- Construction paper packs
- White letter-sized printer paper
- Jugs of white Elmer's glue
- Small Elmer's glue sticks
- Paper towel for the bathroom
- Paper towel for the classroom
- Jugs of Lysol cleaner (unscented)
- Dollar Tree gift cards (to buy themed craft supplies)
- Jugs of Bubbles (they go through a lot of these!)
- Big bags of cheap white rice (limited quantity, for their sensory table at the start of the year)
- Whiteboard markers
- Crayola crayons
- Crayola pencil crayons
- Huggies wipes – unscented

Thank you for your help

CO-OP GAS & STORES FUNDRAISING FOR SPQ

Key tokens are available in a basket on the credenza at the entrance to the church to add to your keychains with our parish's membership number **132326**. Pick one up to use the next time you stop at Co-Op Gas and Stores. A portion of Peninsula Co-Op's profits will be returned back to the parish.

