

The Anglican Parish of St. Peter, Quamichan

BEACON Newsletter – Oct. 18, 2026

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Parish Financial Update from January 1 - October 14, 2026

Average Weekly Income to Oct. 14: $5,004
Average Weekly Expenses to Oct. 14: $5,522
Difference: $(518)

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WEEKLY SERVICES:
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 are in 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: What is a Diocese?
Sunday, October 18 at 11:30 AM

St. Peter's 160th Celebration
Saturday, October 24 at 5:00 PM

No 8:00 AM service on October 25
10:00 AM service only on this day

Holden Evening Prayer
Sunday, October 25 at 7:00 PM

Board Game Night
Monday, October 26 at 6:30 PM

Mend Book Studay
Tuesday, October 27 at 1:30 PM

Taize choir rehearsal
Wednesday, October 28 at 7:00 PM

St. Peter's Halloween Social
Saturday, October 31 from 4:30-9:00 PM

All Souls Taizé
Sunday, November 1 at 7:00 PM

Remembrance Day Service
Sunday, November 8 at 10:00 AM
No 8:00 AM service today

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Exodus 33:12-23
Psalm: 99 (BAS p. 837)
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

ST. PETER'S 160TH CELEBRATION

There are only a few tickets remaining for St. Peter's 160th celebration on **Saturday, October 24 at 5:00 PM.** Tickets are $50, and are available after services on Sunday or from the parish office. A cash bar will be available. ***Please consider making a donation of $160 to the parish to commemorate the occasion.***





Rector's Message

The Altar Guild

There are many things that happen behind the scenes for Sunday worship to take place with ease. One group that does a large portion of that work is the altar guild. These lovely folks are responsible for caring for the sanctuary, altar, sacred vessels, and vestments. They prepare the space for communion, including setting out the chalices, patens, wine, and communion wafers before services, and washing and storing them afterward. They take care of the linens and vestments, washing, ironing, and maintaining sacred linens and sometimes even clergy vestments! The Altar Guild ensures that the frontals, hangings, and paraments are laid out according to the seasons of the church calendar, such as white for Easter/Christmas, purple for Lent, or green for Ordinary Time. And most important of all, is the care of sanctuary, making sure everything is clean, polished, stocked, and arranging altar flowers. The Altar Guild is a very important ministry to our parish and, as with other groups, is in dire need of volunteers. If this is something you might be interested in learning more about, please contact either Reverend Theo or Liz Williams.

Term of the Week

Chaplain **-** Chaplains, or Spiritual Care Workers, is someone who serves as a spiritual presence in a particular place outside of the church, such as schools, hospitals, prisons, and personal care homes. This role can be filled by priests and deacons, but more often it is filled by laity.

Blessings,
Reverend Theo



HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

Come to the next Holden Evening Prayer service on **Sunday, October 25 at 7:00 PM**.
Bring a friend to join in at this contemplative service filled with music and spiritual reflection.

From the Stewardship Committee

In September every envelope holder received a letter requesting people to review their 2026 financial gifts to the parish. Enclosed with the letter was an **"Intention Card"** to be returned by October 9. Few have been returned. Council is beginning to develop next year's budget. If you can make an increase in your giving, great, but if not, that is okay too. Council would appreciate knowing how much income can be expected for 2027 so budget decisions can be made. **If you have not returned your Intention Card please do so by the end of October.** It can be put on the collection plate on a Sunday or turned into the office. **Thank -you for your continued generous giving.**

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St. Peter's Presents...

What is a Diocese & Why Does it Matter?

with Executive Director Brendon Neilson

What is the diocese and why does it matter? I came to Anglican life later in my journey and because of this in combination with the work I do and oversee in the synod office, I have a unique perspective on this question. My short answer will be that the diocese is a way that we organize people and money to do the work that God has given us. I look forward to unpacking this and discussing our common life.

October 18, 2026 @ 11:30am in the Hall
Lunch will be provided



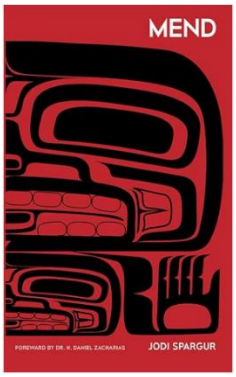


PRAYER MINISTRY

At St. Peter's, we have a special ministry of praying with people during Communion. It is a quiet, caring, and confidential space where people can bring whatever is on their hearts and have someone pray alongside them.

We would love to welcome a few more people to this ministry. You don't need any previous experience or special expertise — simply a caring heart and a willingness to listen and pray. Training and support will be provided, and you'll be serving alongside others. If this ministry touches something in you, we warmly invite you to learn more. There's no commitment in simply having a conversation.

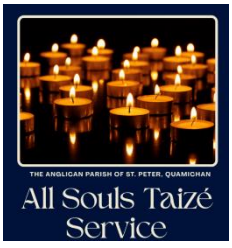
We also invite you to hold this ministry in prayer this week and consider whether God may be gently calling you to be part of it. Please call or text Mitch Kidd at (604) 701-2502 (call or text) or contactmitchkidd@gmail.com.



MEND BOOK STUDY

The Mend Book Study will be **starting on Tuesday, October 27** and running for 4 weeks until November 17 at 1:30 PM in the Lower Lounge, led by parishioner Trish Peebles. A sign-up sheet to participate is in the Hall. The book can be purchased from Amazon. Rev. Theo has 3 copies to gift to those in need. These are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

ALL SOULS TAIZÉ SERVICE



A Taizé service for All Souls will be held on **November 1 at 7:00 PM**—candle lighting, prayers and music for those who have died. There will be Taizé music rehearsals for choir and whoever wants to learn the music on Wednesday, October 14 and 28 at 7:00 PM in the church. Please contact the office by October 30 if there are names of your loved ones you would like remembered at the service. All are welcome to attend the rehearsals and the service.

EAT, SHOP AND BE MERRY

St. Peter's Christmas Fair will be held on **Saturday, November 28.** Do you love to bake cookies? If so, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the hall waiting for your name. **Recipes and cookie storage tins will be available on Sunday, October 18.**





CALLING ALL KNITTERS, SEWERS, BAKERS & CHEFS

Now that autumn is here, it's time to think about what items you can make or create as gifts for the Christmas bazaar craft and food tables. **Our Christmas event will take place on Saturday, November 28.** Food items—baked items, including gluten free baked goodies, and jam and jelly are always appreciated. Craft items—hand/machine sewn and knit items are also popular. If you have any questions about your contributions please call Chris Easly at (250) 597-0075.

BOARD GAME NIGHT

The next board game night is **Monday, October 26** at 6:30 PM. Bring your favourite game or come learn a new one. Bring a snack to share.



HALLOWEEN AT ST. PETER'S

All are welcome to come spend Halloween with us at **St. Peter's from 4:30-9:00 PM on Oct. 31st.** We will be socializing around a fire outside the church hall. This event is open to members of the community, including children.



Cowichan Valley Basket Society

The Cowichan Food Basket Society appreciated our generous donations during the Vera Martin Memorial Food Drive. Let's keep it up!!

Please bring cans of chili and blocks of cheese.

Hunger takes no holidays!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the week of OCTOBER 18:

Members of our congregation: Norah, Bonnie Jean, Pat, and Bill

Anglican Cycle:

- Shane, Primate, Anglican Church of Canada
- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- St. Columba, Tofino
- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- The Anglican Church of Burundi

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 Gurzinski, John Ivison

Parish Families: Theo, Cass, Kathleen Robinson, & Elijah Gibson, David Scandrett, Kurth & Diana Sharpe

Flowers this week: The flowers on the reredos are given to the glory of God by Roger and Liz Williams in loving memory of Joy Williams and Frances Sweatman who both passed away in October of 2010.