

# St Peter's Anglican Church December 14th, 2014 SETTING SAIL

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S (December 14-December 20)

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Sunday	1:00 pm	St. Peter's Players Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	<b>Festival of Lessons and Carols</b>
Monday	7:00 pm	Men's Group
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Girl Guides
Wednesday	1:00 am	Beverly Care Centre - <b>cancelled</b>
	11:30 am	Hunger for Healing
	2:00 pm	Fellowship Tea and Service
	3:00 pm	Christian Meditation
	6:30 pm	Youth at St. Peter's –Gift Exchange
Thursday	10:00 am	Holy Communion Service and Bible Study
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Friday	9:30 am	<b>Yoga Cancelled</b>

**Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>** at the 10 am service, our Children's Christmas Pageant, *'The Journey to Bethlehem'* will be held.

Please pick up the *'Warden's Christmas Letter'* in your Narthex mailbox today. 2015 Offering envelopes are now in your Narthex Mailbox.

**Have you seen our Newcomer's Book?** If you have seen, borrowed or taken home our newcomer's black binder, please let Avril know – 403-252-0393. Thank you.

## GROUPS AND COURSES

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**St. Peter's Men's Group:** We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday for an IKEA breakfast at 9:30 am (Jan 3), and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at St. Peter's at 7 pm (Dec. 15). Please join us for great conversation and fellowship. Contact Barry O'Flynn at [barryoflynn@shaw.ca](mailto:barryoflynn@shaw.ca) or 403 681 4139.

**Theology and a Pint:** Next meeting on Dec. 15 at 7 pm at Limericks. Come join us for a lively discussion about God, life and Church. For more information, please contact Quinn at 403-869-5764.

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**Thank you ACW** – What a great evening for the ACW Pot Luck supper! To my surprise, I received many beautiful and useful donations for the CUPS Prenatal Program. Among the many items were sleepers, wipes, shirts, blankets, etc. This will go a long way in keeping this unfunded program going. Thank you also to the ACW for the donation of \$250 and to the St. Peter's Foundation for their donation that pays for the bags we use. Thanks also go to Edith Lenko, Joan Dunn, Pam May, Vera Apletree and many other members of the parish who have helped over the years with this most worthwhile program. What a great start to the New Year! Thank you again. Ann Bright.

## CHILDREN AT ST. PETER'S

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**Sunday Mornings:** Children are always welcome in our services. **Nursery and Sunday School** is usually held during the 10 am service. Dec's theme is the journey of Mary and Joseph. **Tween** Sunday School begins January 2015!!! **All Welcome**

**Parents and their little ones** meet to enjoy one another's company and a good cup of coffee on Tues at 10 am @ Ohana Café. Host helpers are needed. Please see Aaron Havens with whatever time you have available.

## YOUTH AT ST. PETER'S

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**Youth in Service - Nov 30, 10 am**  
**Youth Dec. 17, 6:30 pm** - tacky gift exchange and ugly sweaters encouraged

**Ohana Café Hours:**  
**11 am – 4:30 pm Mon-Thurs**  
Call Aaron at 403-252-0393 x 16

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The Holy Family have had a busy week in their journey around our Parish, with visits to Parish Council, Chinook Mall, Chinook Care Nursing Home, and ballet class, as well as sledding down Calgary's shrinking snow hills.

We asked: "How are you preparing for your Advent journey?" Here are some of your answers:

- Beginning a new family tradition with the Advent wreath;
- Focusing on the "reason for the season"-remember to celebrate Christ's birth in all we do;
- Praying and helping those in need
- Celebration with my family for the first time;
- Staying calm when frustrated
- Spending time daily reflecting

**PASTORAL CARE**

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**Christmas Cookies** – we are looking for donations of Christmas baking for Pastoral Care Christmas treats for our shut-ins. Call Joan at 403-238-7588. *Please deliver to the Church on Dec 14<sup>th</sup>.*

**Christmas Fellowship Tea and Service. Everyone is welcome to the tea on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. Joins us for a short communion service followed by tea, goodies and fellowship in the Cormack Hall.**

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**Do you love arranging flowers?** The Flower Team is looking for new members. Come and join us to beautify the church. Call Pam Hodgson at 403-720-2145.

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**MINISTRY AND OUTREACH**

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**CHRISTMAS HAMPERS** – We have started collecting for Christmas hampers for those needing help in our parish and beyond. We ask that donations be in by Dec 14<sup>th</sup>, which will give us time to buy needed items. We will buy perishables to ensure maximum freshness and provide savings through bulk buying. Monetary donations to buy perishables and other needed items are welcome and charitable receipts will be provided. On Dec 21<sup>st</sup> we need 7 to 8 drivers to deliver hampers. Contact Angela Bane at 403-281-2652.

**Safeway Shoppers:** Safeway is awarding 'stamps' for purchases that can be exchanged for a 'free' *Henckels* knife (Sept/14 to Feb/15). Please consider donating your extra stamps to St. Peter's. Knives obtained will be used in St. Peter's fundraisers, such as the "Red Can Table" at the Fall Fair. Stamps can be left in Box #122 or given to Deena Janzen. Thanks for your help!

**Food Bank Box:** We collect non-perishable food items. **Diapers** (4,5,6), disposable mattress covers, and nursing pads are also being collected. Collection boxes in Narthex. Thanks.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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**St. Peter's Annual General Meeting (AGM)** will be held on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 following the 10 am service. A light lunch will be served prior to meeting. All reports for the AGM must be received in the office no later than January 6<sup>th</sup>. Please submit to [avril@stpeterscalgary.ca](mailto:avril@stpeterscalgary.ca).

**Couples Retreat:** For couples in good relationships who want to learn from the "masters", take a weekend to be with your partner in a retreat setting with guided conversations prepared by the world's foremost couple expert, Dr. John Gottman. Learn the 7 Principles and practice positive conversations based on his 30 years of research watching the masters. January 9-11, 2015 at the Sanctum Retreat Center near Caroline. Information and registration at [www.wellencounters.ca](http://www.wellencounters.ca) or call Brian Way @ 403-279-9522. Registration limited to 15 couples – early love bird registration deadline December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Front Church Doors** – Our alarm system is being upgraded. For security reasons, there is now a timer on the door to ensure that it is not left propped open for long periods of time. After 20 minutes, an alarm will be triggered which must be turned off by a key holder. Thank you for helping ensure that our church remains a safe building.



**ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SERVICES**  
**St Peter's Anglican Church**

**Advent Three**

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December 14  
8:00 am and 10 am  
Holy Communion

Festival of Lessons & Carols  
7:00 pm

**Advent Four**

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December 21  
8:00 am  
Holy Communion

10 am ~ Children's Pageant  
The Journey to Bethlehem

**Christmas Eve Services**

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December 24  
4:30 pm ~ Family Carol Service  
7:30 pm ~ Holy Communion  
10:30 pm ~ Holy Communion

**Christmas Day Service**

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10 am ~ Holy Communion

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