

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S (Dec 20-26)

Sunday	10:00 am	Children's Pageant
	1:00 pm	St. Peter's Players
	7:00 pm	Lessons and Carols
Monday	7:00 pm	Men's Group-cancelled
Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>L'Arche Christmas Lunch at St. Peter's</i>
	10:00 am	Moms & Tots Christmas Party
	6:30 pm	Youth
Thursday	10:00 am	No Chapel Service
Friday		Christmas Day

Join us for Christmas Dinner! The December Community Dinner is on Christmas Day, 5 pm at the church. Sign-up on Jane's office door for attendance and to volunteer. All are welcome!

Advent Posada journey at St. Peter's: If you have a certain date in mind to host the *Holy Family*, call or email Corinne corinnesmaclean@gmail.com.

Please check your **narthex mailbox** for interim statement and Warden's letter. Also, the 2016 offering envelopes have been put in your box. If not there, please look on the shelves behind the coffee maker in the narthex as your box may have been full.

Church Calendars (\$5) are sold in Cormack Hall following the 10 am service.

The Church office will be closed from Dec 24, 2015 – Jan 4, 2016. Phone messages will be checked.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

December 20	10:00 am	Children's Pageant
	7:00 pm	Lessons and Carols ~ Reception to follow with Christmas treats and special coffee. <i>All Welcome- Invite your neighbors.</i>
December 24	4:30 pm	Family Service
	7:30 pm	Holy Communion (BAS)
	10:30 pm	Holy Communion (BAS)
December 25	10:00 am	Holy Communion (BAS)
December 27	8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10:00 am	Holy Communion (BAS)

GROUPS AND COURSES

Stephen Ministry. Is God calling you to a one on one care giving opportunity through the Stephen Ministry program that will commence in January 2016? Call Wendy Both at 403-281-5657 to sign up or for information.

St. Peter's Men's Group: We meet next at IKEA for breakfast at 9:30 am on Saturday (Jan 9) and at 7 pm at St. Peter's on the third Monday (Jan 18) at 7 pm at St. Peter's). There will be no meeting on Dec 21. Contact Barry at 403-681-4139 or barryoflynn@shaw.ca.

Theology and a Pint: come join us to discuss theology in a casual atmosphere 6:30pm-8:00pm on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. We will meet again on Jan 11 at 1600 Bier Haus in Glenmore Landing.

Christian Meditation will resume on Jan 6, 2016.

CHILDREN AT ST. PETER'S

Sunday Mornings: Children are always welcome in our services. **Sunday School will resume Jan 10.**

YOUTH AT ST. PETER'S

Sunday at 10 am – Meet with Jerrod McCormack for Bible Study.
Wed Dec 23 – No Youth

OHANA CAFÉ EVENTS

Ohana Café Hours: The Café will be closed Dec 17 to Jan 4, 2016.

For information, or to volunteer in the Café, call Abbi at 403-630-7245.

Wednesdays at 10 am in the Ohana Café: **Parents and their little ones** meet to enjoy one another's company and a good cup of coffee. Volunteers required – please call Lee Werth, 403-618-9946 or ladywerth@yahoo.ca.

Parents and Tots Christmas Party, Dec 23, 10:30-1 pm. (Lunch-11:30) Please RSVP to above.

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Peter's Annual General Meeting (AGM) January 31, 2016. All reports for the AGM must be received in the office no later than January 4th. Please submit reports to Avril avril@stpeterscalgary.ca.

Friendly Fellowship Luncheon, January 5, 2016. Sign-up sheets for this delicious meal and fun event will be available in the Narthex each Sunday beginning on December 13th. **Remember to put it on your 2016 calendar!**

Sewers Needed: St. Peters Players are looking for all levels of stitching talent for upcoming production of 'Into the Woods'. We have many items requiring modification and items to be made. If you are able to help, please contact Paula at 403-540-0204 or pabishop@me.com. Thank you for your support.

ST.PETER'S PLAYERS PRESENTS 'INTO THE WOODS'. Book by James Laphine, Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim. For 46 years, St. Peter's Players have been proudly sharing with its community, entertainment to all ages. We invite you to come and be a part of our next production, 'Into the Woods', which runs from Feb 11th - 27th 2016. Please check our website for details on our theatre group, ticket pricing and purchasing at www.stpetersplayers.ca or call Catherine at 403-850-4577. Like us on Facebook for info on future shows. We are a non-profit organization with proceeds going to the church community. Our wonderful cast and production team volunteer their time and/or expertise to bring you wonderful shows each year. We hope to see you soon.

Thank you for your donations of unused Bibles to the **Bible for Bibleless Ministry**. The bibles were donated to many homeless people, drop in centers, shelters and places where bibles are needed in Calgary and surrounding places. Sunil Perika.

FINANCIAL UPDATES

With the end of 2015 nearing and the New Year approaching, it is a good time for a review of our financial picture at St Peters. To all who have given to date, thank you so very much! Your generosity is what keeps us going. However we are approaching an unsustainable financial position, which may require us to make difficult decisions about parish activities. Although expenses to date are under budget; envelope contributions are not meeting expectations. Please consider a gift to fund the 2015 shortfall. If you have not begun to contribute for 2015, please consider a gift before the end of the year.

To adjust your automatic debit amount for January 2016, or to receive envelopes, contact Benita at 403-640-7676 or bhaslett@shaw.ca. *Please Note:* our yearly stewardship campaign will be held in February-March 2016.

MINISTRY AND SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Join Our Team! Over the past months people have spoken during the Sunday service about their experiences as volunteers and leaders in our Parish. Thanks to all who have told us of their rewarding experiences. Please consider joining our team as a member of the Parish Council, or as a Warden. You will meet many people, and become far more involved in what St Peters is and does! We have done away with constricting portfolios that may have discouraged people in the past, and have adopted a new flexible structure. All you need is to be passionate about something we do! Don't worry about being committed to a rigid schedule. Everybody has a life outside of the church, and has to miss a meeting from time to time. Honestly, it's easy, and it's fun! So please, consider joining our team, and helping St Peters serve the community we live in! Contact Jeff Oneski at 403-816-9453 or jeffoneski@shaw.ca.

Help our Giving Tree grow! Today, Sunday, Dec 20 will be the last Sunday to place your Food Bank Donations (especially peanut butter) and mittens for the needy under the tree and Christmas at the back of the Church. Thank you all for your generous donations.

THANK YOU:

- To Ron and Millie Kishlewich for faithfully taking our recycling to the proper depots for the last few years.
- To Peter Leigh who has agreed to take on this ministry of recycling.
- To Peter and Pam May who continue to recycle the many kilos of paper from the office.
- To our many volunteers who quietly serve our church.
- Thank you to the Tween Sunday School class, Ash, Quinn, Pam Hodgson and Ellen Lee for the beautiful Advent Altar Frontal

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