



# The Church of St. Peter

*A Parish in the Anglican Catholic Church  
Diocese of the Holy Cross*

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## ***From the Rector***

On July 3<sup>rd</sup>, we celebrated our Parish's 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary. In looking through a collection of sermons from our founding rector and first Bishop of the Diocese, the late Rt. Rev. Patrick Murphy, I came across this quote: *Why did Jesus choose Peter as His chief apostle? Because of Peter's devotion and faith. Obviously these two attributes were essential if Christ's mission was to be fulfilled. Peter's answer from the Gospel tells us why "Lord, to whom shall we go, you have the words of eternal life. We believe and know that you are God's holy light." Peter was so completely human and fallible, yet Christ chose him. That's why we chose him as well.*

We as a parish have so much to celebrate and to be thankful for! Lately I have been reflecting on this 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary and what it means. It means that your rector is only a couple months older than your parish, but most importantly, it means that for over three decades the Holy Mass has been offered here on our altars for the benefit of the living and the dead! And even when Mass is not being celebrated, Jesus is here present in the reserved Sacrament in the tabernacle on the altar. Fr. Anthony Paone in his wonderful little book, My Daily Bread, reminds us of what a special privilege we have here at our altar. He writes, *a number of people travel back and forth to visit the remains of my saints... with admiration and interest they view magnificent buildings... Too often, however, people are drawn to these places by curiosity or some form of self-interest.* And note what he writes, he imagines that Jesus says, *Yet here upon the altar you will find not [just] a relic, nor a monument to someone's memory, but Me, alive as ever, all-powerful, all-loving, all-perfect. All the treasures and wonders of this world- whatever can attract the human heart – these*

*things are nothing compared to what you find upon the altar.*

Do we remember when we are at Mass, that here upon the altar is Jesus Christ, mysteriously present? On our parish altar, in our parish church, is the grandest, greatest, most magnificent of all beings, who wants to give Himself to each one of us. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will remind us of this great truth every time we enter the church doors and draw near this altar rail. Let us remember why we are called to attend Mass, not because our fellow parishioners will expect us here, not because it is just another chore, and not so that we will be "good" people. But because we are called to a radical encounter with God.

*Fr. Geordan*

## ***The Craft Guild and the ACW***

You may have heard the names Craft Guild and ACW used interchangeably, however, in our parish, they refer to the same group. Most parishes in our Diocese have a local ACW chapter, and there is even an ACW meeting at Synod. The many different ACW chapters throughout the Diocese are as unique as each parish. Each has a different focus and works to meet a particular need in their parish. Our parish ACW is engaged primarily in raising funds for our parish by organizing the Parish Rummage Sale, and the Parish Craft Bazaar. The ACW or Craft Guild meet every third Saturday of the month from 1-3 PM and plan and make crafts for the Craft Bazaar. Currently the proceeds of the Rummage Sale and Craft Show benefit the parish playground. The Craft Guild welcomes anyone and everyone who would like to help! And you don't have to be very "crafty" to help either!

## **This Month at St. Peter's**

July 8<sup>th</sup>, Friday. St. Elisabeth of Portugal. Bible Study on Samuel, Saul, and David at 11AM. Low Mass at Noon. Counsel and Confession from 2-4PM.

**July 10<sup>th</sup>, The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity. 1928 BCP Mass at 8:30 AM. Book Study at 9:30 AM. Sung Mass with Incense at 10:30 AM.**

July 16<sup>th</sup>, Saturday. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Holy Rosary at Noon. Craft Guild from 1-3 PM.

**July 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday. The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity. 1928 BCP Mass at 8:30 AM. Book Study at 9:30 AM. Sung Mass with Incense at 10:30 AM.**

July 20<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday. St. Margaret of Antioch. Low Mass at 10AM. Evening Prayer at 6:30 PM.

July 22<sup>nd</sup>, Friday. St. Mary Magdalene. Bible Study on Samuel, Saul, and David at 11AM. Low Mass at Noon. Counsel and Confession from 2-4PM.

**July 24<sup>th</sup>, The 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity. 1928 BCP Mass at 8:30 AM. Book Study at 9:30 AM. Sung Mass with Incense at 10:30 AM.**

July 27<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday. Low Mass at 10AM. Evening Prayer at 6:30 PM.

July 29<sup>th</sup>, Friday, St. Martha. Bible Study on Samuel, Saul, and David at 11AM. Low Mass at Noon. Counsel and Confession from 2-4PM.

**August 7<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, The Holy Name of Jesus. 1928 BCP Mass at 8:30 AM. Book Study at 9:30 AM. Sung Mass with Incense at 10:30 AM.**

**August 14<sup>th</sup>, The 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity. Book Study at 9:30 AM. Sung Mass with Incense at 10:30 AM.**

**August 21<sup>st</sup>, The 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity. Book Study at 9:30 AM. Sung Mass with Incense at 10:30 AM.**

August 24<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday. St. Bartholomew, AP.M. Mass at 10AM. Evening Prayer at 6:30 PM.

August 26<sup>th</sup>, Friday. Bible Study on Samuel, Saul, and David at 11AM. Low Mass at Noon. Sacred Heart of Jesus. Counsel and Confession from 2-4PM.

**August 28<sup>th</sup>, The 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity. 1928 BCP Mass at 8:30 AM. Book Study at 9:30 AM. Sung Mass with Incense at 10:30 AM.**

August 31<sup>st</sup>, Wednesday. St. Aidan. Low Mass at 10 AM. Evening Prayer at 6:30 PM.

## **Our Parish Prayer List**

*For our Parish, for its growth in sanctity,  
ministry, size, and financially.  
For the Unity of Christ's Church*

For ArchBp. Mark and Paul our Bp. & Bps.  
+Juan, + Chad, +Anthony, + Ryan, + Terry.  
Frs. Geordan+, Micah+.

Dcns. Alex, Sean,

For all Religious: St. Benedict's Abbey,

For all in Authority: Joseph President, and Gregory Governor.

For all servicemen and women: Kyle, T.J., Andrew, Jacob, Preston, McKayla, Christoff, Andy

For all Children born and unborn & for their mothers: Andrew.

For those in sickness or in need: Judy, Natalie, Luana, Betty, Gerry, Randy, Sheri, Candice, Mary, Larry, John, Reigna, Martin, Michelle, Jolene, Christin, Madison, James, Joe, Sherman, Verna, Michael +, Sarah, John, Jack, Betty, Gerry, Marissa, Evelyn, Joey, Catherine, Chad, Linda, Ann, Sarah RIP: Emily, Frances, Dean, Roscoe, Janette, Kelly, Jane, Rhae+