

The Rock

"You are Peter and on this Rock I will build my church" Matthew 16-18

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Welcome to the online newsletter of St. Peter's! My intent is to start spreading the good news of those who contribute to this Church's success, day in and day out—the many unselfish acts that are performed by so many dedicated Christian people all for the betterment of our community and beyond. All in Christ's name!

However, I can't do it without you. I will depend on you for story ideas; I will depend on you to tell me of your successes, and yes, your struggles. Maybe someone reading could help in your efforts?

Let's try to keep everyone informed. You deserve no less for all you do.

It is my plan to publish monthly or even more frequent if news is abundant. It would be impossible for me to contact everyone on a regular basis for photos and information, so I'm counting on you to bring it to me—with as much detail as possible. I will endeavour to compile and publish in a timely fashion.

So, there you have it, my idea for '*The Rock*.' Please forward your story information to admin@stpetercbs.ca or drop into the office and 1219 Conception Bay Highway, CBS during regular business hours.

"And with many other words John exhorted the people and proclaimed the good news to them." Luke 3:18

Cheers,
Jack

Unsung Heroes' of St. Peter's

Many people work hard to make our Church life work. There are some 18 ministries (programs) here at St. Peter's: Youth Ministry, ACW, Social Concern, Men's Service Club and the list goes on—many punch long volunteer hours doing what they believe in.

This is no more evident than the small group who tend to the cemetery grounds which semi-surround our beloved Church.

Albert Morgan, Cemetery Committee Chair, spends countless volunteer hours tending to the graves of our dearly departed. Much labour is required to bring the grounds to the point you see in the photo below. "When we get the grass cut, it's time to do it again, with all the trimming and raking and the like. There's always graves to be filled and head stones to be straightened, says Albert"

Like in previous years, St. Peter's is again fortunate to receive a provincial government grant to help cover the wages of a summer student, with 17-year-old

Matthew Ivey filling the role this year. “I like working outdoors, especially in nice weather and I like helping keep the cemetery looking nice,” said Matthew.

Albert tells us that his work would be impossible without the help of other volunteers who come in when asked. “Usually at the beginning of summer, we ask anyone interested to come and give us a hand getting the first cut done; there’s lots of cutting and trimming and clean up,” said Albert. “All that help is much appreciated and we know they (volunteers) want our cemetery looking nice too,” he continued.

Though keeping the cemetery in tip top shape as far as grass cutting is concerned, there are other duties as well. Albert supervises grave digging, fills sunken graves, painting and other chores, all with Matthew’s help. He’s also grateful for the efforts of Calvin Lear who is only a call away when a lawn mower or trimmer needs repairing. “We’d never do it without him,” concluded Albert.



Albert Morgan, on a recent hot summers day, cutting grass in the older part of our cemetery.