

Worship Details



St. Peter's Church

8 & 9.30 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Good News Club

St. Luke's Church-

9.30 am Holy Communion

Readings: Exodus 17.1-7
Psalm 95
Romans 5.1-11
John 4.5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Sentence:
Jesus said, 'The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life. (John 4.14b)

Collect:
Fountain of life,
we are desert wanderers
who come to you thirsty and parched:
become in us a spring of eternal life,
bubbling and brimming over,
to eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Post Communion Sentence:
Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink. (Exodus 17.6b)

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Prayer Focus - Please Pray

- * We give thanks for the wonderful colours of autumn.
- * For the family and friends of Jean Clegg. Jean's funeral was held on 8 March.
- * For those known to us who are sick or having an operation - Craig Anthony, Phyllis Hay, Takeshi Hasegawa, Sunita Rai, Colleen Scanlon, David Kent, Mary Hewson, Bobbity Murfitt, Dennys Guild, Graeme Cox, David Boyd, Ross Logan.
- * For support of restoration fundraising for St. Peter's Church.
- * For The Parishes of Belfast and Bishopdale.

Mission News

The Lenten Appeal - this year we are asked to support three meaningful ministries for our Anglican brothers and sisters around the world.

....Irene Coman

Envelopes enclosed with Gateway

Coming Up....

AGM Reports due - **13 March**
"She called me Dearie" - 5 April
Palm Sunday 9 April

Sermons are on
the web



is available
in the porch.

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper
Riccarton-Yaldhurst

St. Peter's & St. Luke's Churches

Sunday 19th March 2017

Lent III

Theme for the Year: Strengthening

From our Vicar



One of the things I admire about the members of St Luke's and St Peter's congregations is their willingness to reach out to people unlike themselves. By this I mean talking and helping people who might be a different age, race or social background.

We see this in action at the English Conversation Classes, at Mainly Music, with the volunteers at Petersgate, the services at Rest Homes and the openness to invite the community into "our space" for funerals, weddings, baptisms, community groups and functions.

This reaching out to people who are different is exactly what Jesus does in our Gospel reading today. Jews didn't talk with Samaritans, they didn't use their food vessels, and men didn't talk with women in public in the middle of the day. Respected rabbis didn't talk with women who had had multiple husbands. You can hear the desperation in the voices of the disciples. "We leave him alone for a moment and look at what he goes and does!"

The love that God has is for all people. We know this and the better we get at making the effort to know people different from us, the truer we are to our calling to be the people of God.

....Nick

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News in the Parish

Gateway Magazines are ready for delivery today. Please deliver your copies as soon as possible. Thank you very much for your time.

Defibrillator

A defibrillator has been donated to the parish. And we are very thankful for this gift.

Warren Dobbs, an Officer at St. John's, a parishioner here and a Worship Leader, will be giving demonstrations on how to use this after Sunday services - today after the 9.30 am service morning tea and again on Sunday 2 April, same time.

Defibrillators are user friendly and talk the operator through the situation.

So do stay and learn what to do in case of an emergency.

Lenten Studies - It's not too late to join in.

Study Groups are being held during Lent:- Tuesdays 7.00 pm, at Keith & Wendy Spragg's home, 6 Murfitt Place; Wednesdays 1 pm in the York Room, Leader: The Rev. John McLister; Sundays 7.30 pm at Margaret & David Kent's home, 15 Ludecke Place, Leader: The Rev. Nick Mountfort.

Please call the office if you would like to attend. Study Books available from the office - \$8 each.

Palm Crosses

If you would like to help make Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday there will be an opportunity prior to Palm Sunday. All you need is your scissors. Details soon.

Palm Sunday - 9 April

On this day we will again have Tilly the donkey here to share our service with us.

Please return your yellow giving cards as soon as possible.

Good News Club

The Good News Club would like some old shirts for the children to wear when they are painting to help keep their best clothes clean.

Please, just bring to church on a Sunday or leave at the office. Thank you. ... *Fiona*

St. Peter's Church Fundraising for Restoration

All parishioners are asked to spread the word of our restoration amongst family, friends and colleagues, particularly pointing them to information on our new website - www.stpeterschurch.nz where provision for online giving is now operating. With everyone's participation we can make 2017 our big year towards our goal. ...*David*



Easter Cards

These are available from the table by the door - \$1 each.

Thank you to Judith Bylett who makes these and other cards. The funds raised go to St. Peter's Restoration Fund.

AGM Reports - 8 to come in.

News Beyond the Parish

Winter Clothing for Students - Lincoln University

It is coming up to that time of the year again when the international students are arriving from warm countries and will need some cosy clothes. The clothing doesn't have to be new - just preloved and warm - bedding as well is needed i.e. blankets. These students have very little. Leave at the office.

Euthanasia: A Duty to Die?

Transitional Cathedral, Saturday 1 April, 9.30 am-2.30 pm.

A one day seminar on one of the controversial topics of today's society, co-hosted by the Transitional Cathedral and Theology House, chaired by Bishop Victoria Matthews and with speakers from both sides of the debate.

BYO lunch, tea/coffee provided.

Registrations to Jill Short at Theology House - email: admin@theologyhouse.ac.nz or ph. 03 341.3399

by 5 pm Thursday 30 March. See poster on noticeboard.

This Week's Diary

Tonight - Sunday 19 March

Lenten Study - 7.30 pm, 15 Ludecke Place.

Monday 20 March

Walking Group - 1.30 pm, Fendalton Park

*Walk with us -
ph Gayle
343.3401*

Tuesday 21 March

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Staff Meeting - 9.30 am, York Room.

Maples Service - 11 am.

Mainly Music - 11 am, Parish Hall.

Create With Fibre - 1pm, York Room.

Lenten Study - 7.30 pm, 6 Murfitt Place.



Wednesday 22 March

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Holy Communion - 10.00 am - Parish Hall.

Lenten Study - 1 pm, York Room.

Vestry Meeting - 7.30 pm.

Thursday 23 March

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Walking Group - 9.30 am, Jellie Park.

Coffee & Chat - 10 am, York Room.

Care Bears - 7 pm.

Choir Practice - 7.30 pm.

Friday 24 March

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

English Conversation Class - 4 pm, Petersgate.

Youth Orchestra - 6 pm - 7 pm, Bowden Hall.

Youth Group - 7 - 8.30 pm, Bowden Hall.

Sunday 26 March

Family Service - 11 am Bowden Hall.



Join us for
Morning
Prayer
9am

Tuesday -
Friday.
York
Room.

"To answer before
listening is folly and
shame."
Proverbs 18:13

Next Week's Readings:

1 Samuel 16.1-13
Psalm 23
Ephesians 5.8-14
John 9.1-41

