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 - Stewardship Sunday

Readings: Genesis 2.15-17, 3.1-7

Psalm 32.1-2. 6-9, 11 Romans 5.12-19 Matthew 4.1-11

Sentence:

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. (Matthew 4.1)

Collect:

God of the desert, you lead us by day and by night: be with us when we are tested and may it be your bread we eat, your world we serve, and you alone we worship; through Christ we ask it. Amen.

Post Communion Sentence:

Do not be like horse or mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you. (Psalm 32.9)

Prayer Focus - Please Pray

- * Giving thanks for our Family Service held last week.
- * 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.
- * For support of restoration fundraising for St. Peter's Church.
- *For the Anglican Church in Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia. The parish of Avonside.

Mission News

Our Mission Table today is for Tonga for education. Our funds may be able to support two students at St. Andrew's High School in Tonga. There is a website (www.hornsbytrust.org.nz) and a Facebook Page (Hornsby Trust on Facebook). The Hornsby Trust administers funds to go towards education. Irene Coman

Coming Up....

Gateway articles closing date -8 March AGM Reports due - 13 March Easter Edition of Gateway delivery date 19 March

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 5th March 2017

Lent 1

Theme for the Year: Strengthening

From our Vicar, Nick

Every 6 months I take my car in for a warrant of fitness. Because it was born before the year 2000 they like to see the car every 6 months. I go to the AA centre because they have free hot chocolate, and I figure it's not in their interests to find something wrong. But they do usually find something that needs fixing. Last month it was a worn steering grommet.

This was quickly replaced and now I'm set for another 6 months.

What we take for granted with our cars we seldom do for ourselves.

This Lent I would like to offer you a spiritual warrant of fitness. A chance to have a confidential talk with your Vicar about your spiritual life. I promise I won't find you have a worn steering grommet. But I will make you a free hot chocolate.

This sort of spiritual encouragement is the reverse of the Victorian nanny. The Victorian nanny says, "Find out what George is doing and get him to stop!" Whereas my approach is to find out what you are doing and encourage you in doing it! So the spiritual wof is a painless process of encouragement, and I'm sure I will learn lots that will help me too.

Why not make a time for your Spiritual WOF.

....Nick

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News in the Parish

A Guest Today

At both services this morning we welcome Simon Tipping. He is going to speak briefly at the end of the services about the Anglican Mission Board in Tonga.

Garage Sale Thank You

Another successful garage sale over.

To date we have made over \$5,700. A BIG thank you to those who donated goods; those who helped on Thursday, Friday or Saturday; to our electrician; to those who supplied food and to the server of the morning teas and lunch. We look forward to our next sale in September. Gwen

Sharing and Caring

This group meet every 2nd Monday at Olga Holloway's home, 111a Yaldhurst Road. They share prayers, Bible study and morning tea. They would welcome more members to join them. *Please phone Olga on 348.3844, or the Office for more information.*

The 'A Team' needs YOU.

Feeling as though you would like to be part of a fun team that actually achieves a lot for the parish? Why not come along to the 'A Team' working bees that meet 9.00 am to 12.00 noon every Friday. Male or female - both welcome. *Ring Dennys 357 4204, or just turn up.*

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. The Chaplaincy at Lincoln University have set a date by which the donated items will need to be in by and that is Friday 31 March. Thank you.

"She called me Dearie" - my dream job life working with Julia Child. On Wednesday 5 April at 7.30pm in the

Parish Hall you are invited to hear a most entertaining and widely experienced speaker, Stephanie Hersh. Studying at the Culinary Institute of America in NY she has a Masters of Gastronomy from Boston University, and has given several lectures on Food History and the importance of Gastronomy. An active member of the International Association of Culinary Professionals she has participated at annual conferences – leading culinary excursions, contributing on panel discussions, and serving on several committees. A National Board Member of the American Institute of Wine & Food a highlight was her appointment as executive Personal Assistant to Julia Child from 1989 until Julia's death in 2004. She is currently teaching cooking classes on-board Oceania Cruises, and is pleased that she can continue to share her passion about all things culinary. Tickets for this Restoration fundraiser \$20 (including refreshments) will be available soon but you can pre-book by placing your name on the list at the door.

...David Winfield

Garden of Remembrance

Plots are available for purchase - \$900 for plot and plaque. For more information please phone the office - 348. 5653.

Lenten Studies

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 put your name on the list that suits you. These are on the table. Study Books available from the office - \$8 ea.

Gateway Magazine

The closing date for the next issue is this Wednesday - 8 March. Please send your articles to Jen or give to Pamela in the office asap. Email for Jen: seokjen@yahoo.com.sg

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

News Beyond the Parish

Thank you all for supporting the food basket which goes to the City Mission and the Aranui Parish. Please - no perishable items such as rhubarb which tends to rot by the time the food is delivered.

It is advised that it costs \$923 to clothe a 13 year old starting high school; \$233 for all their stationery; \$135 for a 12 year old to go to camp; \$40 for a 7 year old to join in swimming lessons.

This Week's Diary

Tonight - Sunday 5 March

Lenten Study - 7.30 pm, 15 Ludecke Place.

Monday 6 March

Walking Group - 1.30 pm, Fendalton Park.

Tuesday 7 March

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room. Staff Meeting - 9.30 am, York Room. Parkstone Service - 10.30 am Mainly Music - 11 am, Parish Hall. Oaks Service - 11.30 am. Create With Fibre - 1pm, York Room. Lenten Study - 7,30 pm, 6 Murfitt Place.

Wednesday 8 March

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room. Holy Communion - 10.00 am - Parish Hall. Lenten Study - 1 pm, York Room.

Thursday 9 March

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room. Walking Group - 9.30 am, Curletts Reserve. Coffee & Chat - 10 am, York Room. Care Bears - 7 pm, Parish Hall. Choir Practice - 7.30 pm.

Friday 10 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. AGM
Reports
need to be in the office by

13 March.

Thank you.

AGM

30th April

11 am

Next Week's Readings:

Genesis 12.1-4a
Psalm 121
Romans 4.1-5, 13-17
John 3: 1-17

