Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8 & 9.30 am Holy Communion 11 am Family Service



Readings

Acts 2.14a, 22-32 Psalm 118.1-2, 15-17, 22-23 (9.30am only) 1 Peter 1.3-9 John 20.19-31

Sentence

Then Jesus said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' (John 20.27)

Collect

God of mystery, you affirm our right to question what we find hard to know: grant us the maturity of faith that knows when to question and when to trust; in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Post Communion Sentence

Jesus said to Thomas, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe'. (John 20.29)

Prayer Focus - Please Pray

- * Give thanks for those who put their lives on the line for us, eg armed services, police, fire fighters.
- * For parents and children who are on holiday.
- * 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, Graeme Cox, John Robb, David Boyd.
- * For our year of strengthening.
- * For the fundraising of St. Peter's Church Restoration.
- * The Parish of Cashmere; The Armed Services; Diocesan Clergy Conference; Bishop's Examining Chaplains.

Mission News

An extract from NZCMS Prayer Fuel...

"Anne & Anthony McCormick, Community
Ministry, Cambodia. Anne and Anthony are
preparing to return to New Zealand for a time
of leave and home service next month. Pray
for them as they finalise plans, as they make
arrangements for their projects to continue in
their absence and for them to make great
connections with their Link Churches."
.....Irene Coman

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 23 April 2017 EASTER II

Theme for the Year: Strengthening

From our Vicar, Nick

I have received the following letter which I would like to share with you all......



"Dear Nick

Many, many thanks for the worship you presented for the congregation this morning to mark Good Friday.

For Jennifer and myself it was a great relief to be part of worship which was so suited to the day and that allowed us to engage with the atoning work of Christ as well as giving space for our own thoughts and reflections.

It was an ideal liturgical mix with a good selection of music, a truly excellent narrator of the Passion, an invitation for us all to react to the Cross, and thoughtful words for the homily — words that took me further than what was spoken, leaving me with something to chew over for where I am, which is the mark of a good address.

This was food for the soul which we have previously found hard to discover on this particular day over the past few years.

With every good wish for a happy Easter, Craufurd."

(The Rev. Craufurd Murray, previously Vicar of St. Barnabas)

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News in the Parish

Flowers in Church today have been given in memory of Margaret McKirdy by Jean Lewis and her family.

Parish AGM - Next Sunday 30th April, 11 am

This will be held in the Parish Hall after the 9.30 am service and morning tea.

There are forms on the table for you to nominate Vestry Members, Parishioners' Warden and Treasurer. Please note nominations close at the beginning of the meeting. Also there is to be a luncheon after the AGM so would you please provide a plate of food towards this. Thank you. ... Jo Winfield, Parishioners' Warden.

From the Restoration Fundraisers....

Coming up - we have been invited to join another theatre visit being organised this time by St. Christopher's on Thursday 11th May. It is to see Repertory's production of 'Yes, Prime Minister'. Tickets are \$40 with \$20 of this going to our own fundraising and we are grateful to be included in this way. If you would like to purchase please see David Winfield. And....

Church Restoration Fundraising Did you know that St. Peter's turns 160 in just a year's time? How wonderful it would be if our fundraising was complete by that time and all systems 'go' for the restoration work. So many have been working hard and giving generously to bring us to this point where we are a quarter of the way to our \$2million target. Please continue this labour of love with your own gifts and giving encouragement to others to do so. Remember all details about the process are to be found on our parish website www.stpeterschurch.nz or you can pick up one of our Case for Support booklets from the office or one of the committee. We wish you all a very joyful and blessed Easter. David Winfield (Convenor)

Good News Club - Chocolate Raffle

Last chance to purchase tickets - only \$1.

See the young people after church.Fiona Gilmore

Working Bee - St. Luke's Church

Saturday 6 May, 9.30 am. Postponement date if weather too inclement - Saturday 13 May.

Guest Speakers - Both Services Sunday 7 May

Anne and Anthony McCormick will be speaking at our services on Sunday 7 May. *See noticeboard*. Our Mission Table supports their Missionary work.

Exercise Class

From October 2015 up to Easter 2017 the Exercise Class has raised \$7,665.60 towards the Restoration of St. Peters' Church.

Giving Receipts

These are on the table by the door. If anyone would like information about giving by automatic payment or envelope, please contact Edwin Boyce on 344.5257, or Pamela at the office, 3248.5653. You are invited to give your refund to the St. Peter's Church Restoration Fund.

Next Week's Readings:

Acts 2.14a, 36-41 1 Peter 1.17-23 Luke 24.13-35



News Beyond the Parish

ANZAC Day Services - Upper Riccarton Memorial Library, 6.30 am and at Rannerdale, 10 am. *All welcome*.

Healing Through Creativity: An Ellel Ministries Workshop

Saturday 29 April, St. John's Church, Ferry Road, Woolston. 9 am - 4.30 pm. This workshop provides a relaxed space in which to hear from the Lord and to receive His healing. through - creative activity, chatting, reflection, brief teaching, worship, corporate prayer. Activities include:- painting and drawing, card making, crochet and knitting, tree of life, clay modelling, collage, dance, cake decoration, creative writing and more. *Come along and join us*.

Register - info.newzealand@ellelministries.org or ph. 021 269. 8384. Cost \$30 (or koha) morning and afternoon tea provided, byo lunch.

Correspondence: From Lincoln University

"Dear Brothers and Sister in Christ....

The Lincoln University Chaplaincy Team would like to thank you for your warm and generous response to our appeal for winter clothing and bedding. Your donations are greatly appreciated by Lincoln University's International students, many of whom come from warm countries and have no concept of what a Canterbury winter feels like. Your donations will help keep a great number of these students warm and comfortable throughout the winter.

Many thanks for your generous support. God bless, Dr. Mary Allan - Senior Chaplain and Lincoln University chaplaincy Team."

Open Day at Te Waiora

Sunday, 30 April, from 2.30pm. This would be a good opportunity to travel out to Hororata (opposite St John's Church) and check out the facilities, whether for a personal time out, or for a group visit (day or overnights). Hosts, Ruth & John Thompson, will be pleased to meet you, and no doubt offer you a cuppa!

Phone 03 3180789 for further details.

Sale of Fabric & Craft Supplies

Saturday 29 April, 11 am - 3 pm, St. Barnabas Church Hall. Fabrics for sewing and patchwork, knitting wool, cotton for macramé, patterns and lots more. Organised by the AAW, Diocese of Christchurch. Proceeds to support mission work at home and abroad.

This Week's Diary

Monday 24 April

Walking Group - Riccarton Domain. Sharing & Caring, 10 am, 111a Yaldhurst Road.

Tuesday 25 April ANZAC Day Wednesday 26 April

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room. Holy Communion - 10.00 am - Parish Hall. Daytime Fellowship AAW Committee - 10.45 am, York Room.

Vestry Meeting - 7.30 pm.

Thursday 27 April

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room. Staff Meeting - 9.30 am.

Walking Group - 9.30 am, Ray Blank Park. Choir practice - 7.30 pm, Parish Hall.

Friday 28 April

Morning Prayer - 9.00 am.

Saturday 29 April

Card Making Group - 10 am - 4 pm Bowden Hall.



TODAY

Family

Service

11 am

in the

Bowden Hall.

All Welcome