

Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8 & 9.30 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Good News Club



Readings: Matthew 21.1-11
Zechariah 9.9-12
Psalm 118, 1-2, 19-29
Philippians 2.5-11
John 12.12-16

Sentence:

The crowds that went ahead of him were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David.' (Matthew 21.9)

Collect:

God of kings and criminals,
your ways are not our ways:
on the way to Jerusalem
with shouts we acclaimed you;
on the way to Calvary
with shouts we condemned you.
Mercifully grant us the way that leads to life; through
Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.



Post Communion Sentence:

The Lord is God, and has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. (Psalm 118.27)

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Prayer Focus - Please Pray

- * For the Easter Camp, youth, organisers, speakers and helpers.
- * For Middleton Grange School, pupils, teachers and parents.
- * 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, Graeme Cox, John Robb, David Boyd.
- * For our year of strengthening.
- * For the fundraising for St. Peter's Restoration.
- * St. John's Theological College, Auckland; New Zealand Missionary in Cape Town.

Mission News

Our Mission Table last week raised \$564.90 for the Lenten Appeal. Thank you for your wonderful support. The funds will be distributed amongst three needs.

....Irene Coman

Lenten Appeal Envelopes enclosed with Gateway

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 9 April 2017

Palm  Sunday

Theme for the Year: Strengthening

From Deacon Assistant, John



In the movie *The Way*, a man travels to Spain to receive the ashes of his son who tragically died in an accident there.

The son had gone to Spain to walk the Camino de Santiago - a famous pilgrims' trail.

When the dad arrives in Spain, he decides to walk the trail to find out what motivated his son - as they had been estranged for many years.

As he travels from holy place to holy place he begins to appreciate his boy in a new light.

By the end of the pilgrimage he is a changed man - no longer the hard-nosed businessman but a man more connected to people; and a dad finally reconciled to his son.

This week, on Palm Sunday, we start our own pilgrimage.

Over Holy Week, at each of the different services, we will walk with God's son on his journey.

We will wave palms for him; eat a final meal with him; weep at his cross; and hope to find meaning in his death.

It is a pilgrimage that will change us too; and reconcile us to our heavenly Father.

....John

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www.facebook.com/stpeterschurchcorner

News in the Parish

Flowers for Easter Day - Saturday 15th

Colleen Kidd, our Church flower arranger would like flowers for the altar for Easter Day. Please bring them to the hall on Saturday morning by 10 am. Gold and white would be great but other colours will be fine.

Also please bring on Easter Day greenery and flowers for the Greening of the Cross at the 8 and 9.30 am services.

From the Restoration Fundraisers....

Our evening with Stephanie Hersh on Wednesday was a resounding success as a large audience was entertained and informed about her time as PA to Julia Child amongst other things. Many were the comments of appreciation shared afterwards over drinks and a very tasty supper. Thanks to Jo Winfield for the latter and to everyone attending for their support which brought in around \$1500 for the restoration.

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....

St. Peter's Church Fundraising for Restoration

Please view www.stpeterschurch.nz where provision for online giving is now operating. Prints and cards are on the table in the hall.

Good News Club

The children would like to be involved in the fundraising for St. Peter's Church. They have decided to have a chocolate raffle and tickets will be a \$1.00. The raffle will continue throughout the Easter period and will be drawn after Easter.

Also many thanks for those who have donated old shirts which we are using for painting. It is a big help in keeping our Sunday Best clean.*Fiona Gilmore*

Judith's Cards

Thank you to all the parishioners who have bought cards from Judith Bylett's stand. She advises that over the last financial year \$796.30 has been raised for the St. Peter's Church Fundraising.

Large Plastic Bins

These bins have disappeared from the stage - they were used for the storage of the food for the City Mission and Aranui Parish. If you know of their whereabouts please phone Pamela.



Next Week's

Readings:

Acts 10.34-43
Colossians 3.1-4
Matthew 28.1-10

Holy Week and Easter Services

Maundy Thursday - 13 April, 7.30 pm
Last Supper & Service of Shadows

Good Friday - 14 April, 9.30 a.m.
Devotional Service - Gathering around the Cross. Hot cross buns to follow.

Easter Day at St. Peter's - 16 April, 8 & 9.30 am, Holy Communion and Greening of the Cross.

Easter Day at St. Luke's - 16 April, 9.30 am. Holy Communion.

Funeral Tea Helpers - Fundraising for the Restoration of St. Peter's Church

We have a very small group of people who serve the tea, coffee and food at funerals held here in St. Peter's Church. We desperately need more helpers on the list. Turns wouldn't come round very often if we get a larger group. The money raised goes to the Restoration Fund.

If you are interested, please phone Pamela in the office on 348 5653 to be put on the list.

Thank you all for delivering your Gateways so promptly.

We now have an Easter Card to deliver.

If you can help to distribute these to the community that would be marvellous. Please mark on the list the streets you want to deliver to. *Thank you. ...Pamela*

News Beyond the Parish

St. John - Heart of Gold Annual Appeal 2017

You can donate on line or to St. John New Zealand, 2 Harrison Road, Mt. Wellington, Auckland 1741. People recognise them for their ambulance service, which treats and transports over 437,978 people every year, but your contribution allows them to provide so much more. They have new first aid courses, a new eBook which is a First Aid Handbook and training courses for young people etc. Groups meet here in our very hall on a Tuesday - Penguins and Cadets.

Ph. 0800STJOHN, 7110 ext. 33341.

Email address for their newsletter:

newsletterrequests@stjohn.org.nz

Concert

All Souls Church Choir and Risingholme Singers are combining and performing Murray Lennox's 'Requiem 911' accompanied by a string quartet and organ on Good Friday, 14 April at Knox Church at 2 pm.

This Week's Diary

Tonight - Sunday 9 April

Lenten Study - 7.30 pm, 15 Ludecke Place.

Monday 10 April

Walking Group - 1.30 pm, Riccarton Domain.

Tuesday 11 April

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Staff Meeting - 9.30 am, York Room.

Mainly Music - 11 am, Parish Hall.

Homestead Service - 11 am.

Create With Fibre - 1pm, York Room.

Mayfair Service - 3 pm.

Lenten Study - 7.30 pm, 6 Murfitt Place.

Wednesday 12 April

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Holy Communion - 10.00 am - Parish Hall.

Lenten Study - 1 pm, York Room.

Choir practice - 7.30 pm, Parish Hall.

Maundy Thursday 13 April

Walking Group - 9.30 am, Riccarton

Racecourse.

Maundy Thursday Service - 7.30 pm.

Good Friday 14 April

Service at 9.30 am.

Easter Day - 16 April

Services at St. Peter's Church, 8 and 9.30 am.

Service at St. Luke's Church, 9.30 am.



Next

Family

Service

11 am

Sunday 23
April

in the

Bowden
Hall.

All Welcome