

Worship Details



St. Peter's Church
8.00 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Holy Communion
11.00 am Family Service (Bowden Hall)

Readings:

Acts 1:6-14. 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11. John 17:1-11

Sentence:

And Jesus prayed, 'Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.' (John 17.11)

Collect:

Holy Father,
you have not left us alone
but promised your abiding protection:
in all we face,
grant us such a knowledge
of your presence and abiding care,
that nothing can destroy our trust in Jesus Christ; now
and forever. Amen.

Post Communion Sentence:

And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen and establish you. (1 Peter 5.10)

Prayer Focus:

- * For Roanne Hasegawa, Irene and Peter Coman, and their families in bereavement.
- * For Sonia and Glen who were married at St. Luke's Church yesterday .
- * For those known to us who are sick or having an operation - Craig Anthony, Phyllis Hay, Sunita Rai, David Kent, Mary Hewson, John Robb, Keith Spragg, Audrey Armstrong, Estelle Laugesen, Bill Fleming, Kay Hawke.
- * For our year of strengthening.
- * For our Good News club and the Youth Group.
- * For Bishop Victoria and our Diocesan Officers concerned with the ongoing Cathedral debate .

Mission News

Our Mission Table next week is for Nick and Tessa Laing in Uganda. Tessa is a Co-ordinator for two community groups that seek to generate positive change in the community. Nick is the Diocesan Health Co-ordinator.

....Irene Coman

Sermons are on
the web



is available

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper
Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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

Sunday 28 May 2017

EASTER VII

Theme for the Year: Strengthening

From our Vicar, Nick



My Grandad never did come to terms with the telephone. He used to shout down the line something chronic. "Don't shout Grandad," we used to say, but he would argue, "but the other person is so far away!"

Today, Thursday, as I write this it is Ascension day. Ascension coming as it does 40 days after Easter marks the end of Jesus being physically present to the disciples. But the good news is now he is not trapped by time or space, he can be as we say, "always and everywhere." He is as the Bible says closer to us than our own breath. We can now thanks to the Ascension have a close and on-going friendship with him, every moment of our lives and into eternity.

What must have felt like bad news for the first disciples, Jesus going away is good news for us. He goes away but thanks to the Holy Spirit is closer than he ever was.

We don't need to shout at Jesus, (although sometimes it's very therapeutic!) He is right beside and within us.

....Nick

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News in the Parish

Gateway Magazine

This will be ready for delivery next Sunday 4 June.

Parish Office Relocation

The Bowden Hall and Parish Office are having earthquake repairs done over the next 4 weeks.

The office will be situated during this time in the portacom outside the Bowden Hall.

The office will be closed on Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 May for relocation.

From 31 May things should be almost back to normal. Be understanding of the circumstances though - there will be little waiting room so if the weather is inclement you may need an umbrella.

All bookings for the Bowden Hall will now be transferred to the Parish Hall for this month if possible.

Warm Up the Cold Month of June - Sunday 11 June

We would like to invite everyone to gather, to mix and mingle between the two services and enjoy mulled wine, cheese and biscuits. This will begin after the 8am service at 8.50 am and conclude at 9.20 am - 1/2 hour duration.

Book Sale - Now Friday 23 and Saturday 24 June

Helpers are required for this - please tell David or Jo Winfield of your availability on Thursday 22, Friday 23, or Saturday 24 June. Ph. 322 8723. Or note on the forms on the table.

Patronal Festival - Sunday 25 June

We will celebrate this year with the usual cup of tea or coffee after the 9.30 am service followed by items from parish groups - offers please. A lunch of soup, rolls and pizza will follow. Parishioners to please bring something sweet for dessert. ...*Jo Winfield*

Soap for Sale

"Pontius Pilate" was made especially for you to "wash your hands of it"! Lightly coloured from a tea made with St. Peter's eucalyptus leaves, and gently fragranced with eucalyptus oil, this soap is perfect for getting dirty hands clean. \$3.00 ea. ...*Margaret Duffy*

Oil Column Heaters for Sale

We have received quite a few heaters from Anglican Centre since their departure from the portacom. They have all been checked and we are offering them for sale at \$10.00 per heater. *Please ph Gwen on 357 4204 if interested.*

Praise Be to be Taken Off the Air

Trish Moseley Taylor, ex Chairperson of the Churches Broadcasting Commission is encouraging all churches and parishioners to write to TVNZ to complain about their lack of consultation with churches/parishes/retirement villages/the wider public about TVNZ's decision to take *Praise Be* off the air. It was great publicity for church and school choirs, and congregations around the country. A lot of older folk in particular enjoy this programme as it's often their only access to support their faith. Write to: TVNZ Victoria Street, PO Box 3819, Auckland 1140; or phone: 09 916 7000; or go to <http://tvnz.co.nz/tvz-corporate-comms/feedback-form-4935039> and fill in the boxes at the bottom of the page.

Nurse Maude Service - 9 July - St. Peter's Church

On Sunday 9 July we will again welcome the Nurse Maude Board Members, Staff and Friends to join us in celebrating the life of Nurse Maude who is buried in our graveyard. Please plan to come along and welcome them to our service.

News Beyond the Parish

Sandy Constable - Induction as Vicar of the Anglican Parish of Kaiapoi

You are all warmly invited to attend the Induction and Welcome Service for The Rev. Sandy Constable, **Tuesday 30 May, 7 pm**, in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church Hall, 23 Cass Street, Kaiapoi.

If you wish to attend please phone the office - 03 327 7064 or email:- office@kaiapoianglican.org.nz.

This Week's Diary

Monday 29 May

Walking Group - 1.30 pm.

Tuesday 30 May

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.
Staff Meeting - 9.30 am, York Room.
Exercise Class - 9.30 am, Parish Hall.
Mainly Music - 11 am, Parish Hall.
Create with Fibre - 1 - 3.30 pm.

Wednesday 31 May

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.
Holy Communion - 10.00 am, Parish Hall.

Thursday 1 June

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.
Walking Group - 9.30 am, Crosbie Park.
Coffee & Chat - 10 am - noon, York Room.
Choir practice - 7.30 pm, Parish Hall.

Friday 2 June

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.
'A Team' - 9 am - noon. Meet at Parish Hall.
English Conversation Class - 4-6 pm, Petersgate.
Youth Orchestra/Band - 6 pm, Parish Hall.
Youth Group - 7 - 8.30 pm, Parish Hall.



**BOOK
SALE**

23rd and 24th
June

9 am - 4 pm

Heaps of
books

Most only \$2

Helpers
please add
your names
to the lists.

"I think it would be a good idea." - Mahatma Gandhi when asked what he thought of Western civilization.

Next Week's Readings

Acts 2: 1-21
1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13
John 20: 19-23

