

Worship Details



St. Peter's Church

Worship - 8 and 9.30 am

St. Luke's Church

Worship - 9.30 am

Readings Genesis 50.15-21
Romans 14.1-12
Matthew 18.21-35

Sentence

Jesus said to Peter, forgive 'Not seven times, but I tell you, seventy-seven times'. (Matthew 18.21)

Collect

Forgiving God,
your patience never comes to an end:
may we who live under the shadow of the cross,
never forget its message of forgiveness,
that in remembering your limitless love,
we will always allow one another's new start;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Post Communion Sentence

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister?
Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For
we will all stand before the judgement seat of
God. (Romans 14.10)

Prayer Focus - Please Pray....

- * Give thanks for those who are standing for election.
- * For Naveen Gill who is preparing for baptism.
- * For those known to us who are sick or having an operation - Craig Anthony, David Kent, Phyllis Hay, Estelle Laugesen, Lyn Hawke, Phyllis Cochrane, Craig, Owen Webber, Helen McLachlan, Matt Rough, June Flint.
- * For our year of strengthening.
- * For continuing generous support for St. Peter's Restoration Campaign.
- * For the Election
- * For Middleton Grange School.
- * For Bishop Victoria.
- * For the parishes of Mackenzie Co-operating and Malvern. Community of the Sacred Name and all associated; branch houses, Suva, Tonga, St. Christopher's Home.

Mission News

We have received thank you letters from St. Andrew's High School in Tonga - from the Principal and two pupils. We paid fees for the two pupils. The letters are displayed on the noticeboard.Irene

Shoe Boxes - Please leave at the office when you have filled them.

Sermons are on
the web



is available

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper
Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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

17 September 2017
Ordinary Sunday XXIV

Theme for the Year: Strengthening

From Our Vicar, Nick....



You don't need me to tell you, but in a few days we have an election.

But what is the Christian response to this election?

"We walk for days through the bush to get to a voting station. Then there are men with machine guns telling you if you don't vote for their party they will shoot you. We wait for months for a result and then the same ruling party always gets in." This was the account of elections a friend from Uganda told me. He couldn't believe that here we often know a result on the night, and sometimes the government even changes! The first Christian responsibility we have is to vote. So many in our world don't have the privilege of being able to vote or if they do it is lost in corruption. In my family, going way back, one of my ancestors, Simon De Montfort, lost his life in a very horrific way trying to stop the abusive power of the king.

Many people don't bother to vote, especially the young. Voting is habit best started when you are young. If you are young do vote. If you have contact with a young person encourage them to vote too.

Lastly, as in all things, Christians consider the best for others not just ourselves. Remember the vulnerable. Ask God in prayer to inspire your voting. Remember politicians are people too and they need our encouragement and our prayers. They work hard and it can be a pretty thankless task.

In summary:- pray, get others to vote, think of others, vote yourself, encourage those we elect.

....Nick

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News in the Parish

NEXT SUNDAY -

Family Service - 11 am in the Bowden Hall.

and

Special General Meeting of the Parish...

This meeting is to decide on a Child Care facility in the parish. It is to be held on Sunday 24 September at 2 pm in the parish hall. Afternoon tea will be served.

The motion to be considered is

“That this Special General Meeting of the Parish of Upper Riccarton - Yaldhurst:-

(a) Approves the development of a Christian pre-school on the site of the Verger's Cottage - 25 Yaldhurst Road

(b) Requests the Wardens and Vestry enter into an operational agreement with the Manukau Christian Community Trust

(c) Approves that the Parish is only responsible financially for the development of the pre-school and that this be funded from the Glebe investments.”

Mover: Corin Murfitt. **Seconder:** Jo Winfield.

Evening Fellowship AAW

The group dinner will be at Hoofbeats, Racecourse Hotel, Wednesday 20th September, 6.30 pm.

Garage Sale

Next Saturday 23 September, 9.00 am, (Election Day).

Thank you to those who have offered to help and/or supply food for workers or for selling. We need a good team on Thursday morning at 8.00am to help put chairs on the stage and to set up tables by 9.00am when we start emptying the garage. If you still have electrical items to donate, the last day for testing is Monday 18th. We are unable to offer any pickup service of goods this week. Also, there will be a cake and produce stall (baked goods, pickles, sauces and fresh produce) so if you can help supply for this please bring all donations to the York Room on Friday 22nd by 3 pm so they can be priced. And there is a list on the table for the donation of food for the workers.

Many thanks, Gwen, ph. 357.4204.

Plant Sale

There are some green flyers promoting the Oct 7th Plant Sale on the table - please take a few to give to anyone you think may be interested - eg friends and neighbours; or to pin up on notice-boards - community, schools, clubs etc. Thank you.

...*Janet Noonan and Jill Lyall.*

Restoration Fundraising Having mentioned our successful race meeting at Riccarton last week we can now report the income from the businesses and individuals who sponsored the races which amounted to \$53,500. What a wonderful boost to our coffers and a huge thank you to those who made it and negotiated it. Riccarton Park were also exceptionally generous in many ways and we express our gratitude to them.

Also having mentioned last week running a major pre-Christmas raffle this elicited the very good suggestion of a hamper as one of the prizes. So we shall arrange for a collection box in church (or the office during the week) and you can bring along eatables, drinkables and new domestic items to be included. Please ensure that anything carrying a 'use by' or 'best by' date, these should be well into 2018. Any other prizes, vouchers, etc. please see me. ...*David Winfield*

The St. Peter's Restoration Race Day

Congratulations to all who were involved in this Race Day at Riccarton Park.

All parties involved promoted it very well and the fellowship of the St. Peter's personnel portrayed Christianity at its best.

The race meeting itself had an ironic twist in race seven - the first and second horses in the race had their colours blessed at the racing service at St. Peter's Church and the person responsible for bringing them managed a pensioner's percentage of the trifecta.

Well done St. Peter's.

....*Pete Coman.*

Welcomers - Thank you for your ministry. Sometimes we miss welcoming a number of people. Could you please stay in the porch or nearby to welcome after the service begins.

Welcomers & Communion Processors Rosters for the 8 am service are on the table for collection.

City Choir Concert

“Best and Wurst of American Music” - Sat 23 September, 4 pm at the Piano, 156 Armagh Street. Tickets \$25 from Martin Dixon, otherwise \$30. Child/student \$15.

Martin - ph. 343.5229.

This Week's Diary

Monday 18 September

Sharing & Caring - 10 am at 111a Yaldhurst Rd.

Walking Group - 1.30 pm, Riccarton Domain

Tuesday 19 September

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Staff Meeting - 9.30 am, York Room.

Exercise Class - 9.30 am, Parish Hall.

Maples Service - 11 am.

Mainly Music - 11 am, Parish Hall.

Create with Fibre - 1 - 3.30 pm.

Wednesday 20 September

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Holy Communion - 10 am, Parish Hall.

Evening Fellowship AAW dinner 6.30 pm.

Thursday 21 September

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Walking Group - 9.30 am, Millbrook Reserve.

Coffee & Chat - 10 am - noon, York Room.

Choir practice - 7.30 pm, Parish Hall.

Friday 22 September

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

'A Team' - 9 am - noon. Meet at Hall.

English Conversation Class - 3.45 - 5.45 pm, Bowden Hall.

Youth Orchestra - 6 - 7 pm, Bowden Hall.

Youth Group - 7 - 8.30 pm, Bowden Hall.

Saturday 23 September - Garage Sale, 9 am

Gateway closing date is Wednesday 20 Sept.

Please email your articles to Jen - seokjen@yahoo.com.sg and a copy to Pamela.

Next Week's Readings

Jonah 3: 10 - 4:11

Psalms 145: 1-8

Philippians 1: 21-30

Matthew 20: 1-16



Garage Sale

NEXT

Saturday

23 Sept

9 am

Tell

your

friends

all about

our

massive

popular

event.

You have

a few

more

days to

bring

goods in,

or if you

can help

see item

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