

Worship Details



St. Peter's Church
8 & 9.30 am Holy Communion

St. Luke's Church

9.30 am Holy Communion

Readings: Revelation 7.9-17
Ephesians 1.11-23
Matthew 5.1-12

Sentence:

Know what is the hope to which God has called you, what are the riches of the glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of God's power in us who believe. *Ephesians 1: 18-19*

Collect:

Eternal God,
you have always taken men and women
of every nation, age and colour
and made them saints:
like them, transformed,
like them, baptised in Jesus' name,
take us to share your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Post Communion Sentence:

O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him. (*Psalms 34.8*)

Prayer Focus - Please Pray....

- * Give thanks for the Baptism of Naveen Gill last Wednesday.
- * For Crystal Sakamoto, Daniel Sakamoto, Ikumi Sakamoto, who are preparing for baptism.
- * For those known to us who are sick or having an operation - Craig Anthony, Phyllis Hay, Lyn Hawke, Phyllis Cochrane, Craig, Owen Webber, Helen McLachlan, Matt Rough, Warren Dobbs, Helen Easterbrook.
- * For our year of strengthening.
- * For those in prison.
- * For rest home residents.
- * For continuing generous support for St. Peter's Restoration Campaign.
- * For the proposed Christian pre-school.
- * For Bishop Victoria.
- * For the Parish of Rangiora. The Diocese of Waiapu. Christian Conference of Asia.

Mission News

Our Mission Table today is for Richard Starling's 'Stay Real' Programme; the Leprosy Mission and Mission to Seamen.Irene

Sermons are on
the web



is available

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper
Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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

5 November 2017

All Saints Sunday

Theme for the Year: Strengthening

From Our Vicar....



The old woman leaned back in the armchair, gratefully allowing the back of the chair to support her tired body. "Have a rest Gran, while I put the kettle on, and we'll have a cup of tea, before the kids get home from school." Linda returned with a steaming cup of tea in her Grandmother's favourite cup and saucer. Her Gran was gazing out the window and playing with the string of pearls at her neck.

They sat for a while sipping the tea. Linda reminded her of the time her Gran had told her the story of the pearls. How she called them her touch of class, and how her late granddad had worked night shift for 6 months to buy them.

"You are definitely a grown woman now," said the old lady to her granddaughter. "I think it's time." "Time for what?" said Linda who was more than a little confused.

"Well" she said, "your granddad and I had a wonderful life, we were very happy, we had some hard times to be sure, but it's time you had a touch of class in your life." "I'm not with you Gran," said Linda, thinking quietly to herself that the old girl might be losing the plot.

"Even though we were always short of money I never once thought of selling these pearls, Linda. And now I want you to have them, with my love." "I couldn't Gran, not when they mean so much to you." "It's precisely because they mean so much that I want you to have them. Just think of it as an early inheritance." Linda overwhelmed, didn't know what to say, except thank you, and the two hugged tightly.

I wonder if you have ever had an unexpected inheritance. It's pure grace to get something as an inheritance that we never worked for, or never deserved and yet means so much.

Today is All Saints Sunday where we celebrate all the saints, the saints with little "s" and big "S" that have gone before us. All Saints was a day brought in by the reformers of the church because the saints days had got so confusing. They thought they would honour them all on one day. Many Anglican churches have the name of All Saints, as a result.

Paul describes our inheritance as the hope we have in Christ. This is what we share with the saints. I wonder if we value it?

...Nick

News in the Parish

Thank you

The family of David Kent sincerely thank all at St. Peter's and St. Luke's for their prayers and support at this time of loss.

Thank you Janet and Jill for the years of service you have given to organising the Plant Sale - a magnificent effort raising much for the life of our lovely church.

If there is anyone who would like to be part of a team to organise next year's sale please phone the office. We must keep this fabulous plant sale going. People come from all over Christchurch to buy the plants that you have all helped raise.

Church Restoration Fundraising Thank you to all who have contributed towards our Christmas raffle prize list - it is promising to be an excellent one with about 25 major prizes. There is still time to contribute to the hamper for a few weeks. Then we look forward to you selling the tickets, with the prizes on offer and for such a good cause that shouldn't be difficult.

But wait ... there's more! Our former Vicar, Philip Robinson and Adrienne, are participating in the ASB Summer Starter Fun Run and Walk on Sunday 26th November (they'll be walking!!) and would welcome others to join them. Details can be found online at summerstarter.co.nz where you need to register. They are seeking sponsorship which will go towards our restoration and there are forms for this by the door today. So either enter yourself and seek your own sponsors or offer to do so for Philip. Thanks. *David Winfield (3228723)*

Annual Leave

Pamela will be on holiday from Monday 6 - 28 November. Yaeko McLister will be looking after the office whilst she is away. The office will open at 9.30 am during this time. ...*Nick*

Next Gateway Magazine - Christmas Edition

Please help get this underway on time by having your articles into the office and emailed to Jen by mid November. That would be a great help. Thank you. (*Jen: seokjen@yahoo.com.sg*)

Exercise Class

Our Exercise Class meets every Tuesday at 9.30 am in the Parish Hall. They donate their proceeds to the St. Peter's Restoration Fund and have given \$9,569.50 so far. Prior to the Restoration Fund they raised money for Missions.

Garden of Remembrance

Plots are available for purchase - \$900 for plot and plaque. If you wish to reserve a plot the deposit is only \$350 and the remainder of the costs for the plaque etc are to be paid when it is needed.

Housekeeping - Kitchen Sterilizer

Please - no coffee grounds in the sterilizer. They block it up and are hard to remove. Just tip the grounds into the pottle supplied and hand wash the coffee plunger. Thank you.

Parish Hall

The Parish Hall will be closed for use from 8 January 2018 for earthquake and associated repairs. Church services will be held in the Bowden Hall. The hall will be out of action for approximately one month. If you wish to book the Bowden Hall during this time please phone the office as soon as possible.

News Beyond the Parish

Dictionaries Needed for Canterbury Prisons

If you have any dictionaries on your bookshelf that you no longer require please bring them into the office or Church/Parish Hall. They are needed to help inmates with literacy.

Risingholme Orchestra

An afternoon of opera and more, Sunday 26 November, 2 pm, Avonhead School, 55 Avonhead Road. Adults \$12, Children \$3 - includes afternoon tea. *See poster on noticeboard for details.*

Middleton Grange School Fiesta, Friday 1 Dec. 5 - 8 pm

This Week's Diary

Monday 6 November

Sharing & Caring - 10 am, 111a Yaldhurst Rd.
Walking Group 40- 1.30 pm, Fendalton Park.

Tuesday 7 November

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.
Staff Meeting - 9.30 am, York Room.
Exercise Class - 9.30 am, Parish Hall.
Parkstone Care Service - 10.30 am
Mainly Music - 11 am, Parish Hall.
Oaks Service - 11.30 am.
Create with Fibre - 1 - 3.30 pm.

Wednesday 8 November

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Thursday 9 November

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

Friday 10 November

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.
'A Team' - 9 am - noon. Meet at Hall.
English Conversation Class - 3.45 pm, Bowden.
Youth Band - 6 pm, Youth Group 7pm, Bowden.

English
conver-
sation
class
every
Friday
during
term
time.
3.45 -
5.45 pm
in the
Bowden
Hall.

KEEP THIS DATE FREE

John McLister's
Ordination
Saturday 25th
November
10am
Traditional Cathedral



Next Week's Readings

Amos 5: 18-24
Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18
Matthew 25: 1-13

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