

Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8.00 am - Holy Communion

9.30 am - Holy Communion



St. Luke's Church

9.30 am Holy Communion (1st & 3rd Suns)

Readings:

Acts 3.12-19
Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24
1 John 3.1-7
Luke 24.36b-48

Sentence

They said to each other 'Were our hearts not burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' (Luke 24.32)

Collect

Risen Christ,
you come among us in the breaking of bread
and the breaking open of scripture:
burn in our hearts once more,
fire us with the hope of Easter
that we might have good news for all the world;
praise to you our God, you answer prayer. Amen.

Post Communion

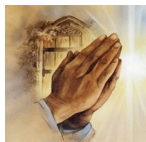
They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon.' (Luke 24.34)

Next Week's Readings

Acts 4: 5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3: 16-24
John 10: 11-18

Prayer Focus - Please Pray :-

- * Give thanks for the new computer in the office.
- * For our Confirmation Candidates:-
Abbey Meiritz-Reid, Caed Falloon, Ethan Wilson-Bruce; Kathryn Shearing, Sophie Butler, Sophie Meiritz-Reid
- * For those known to us who are sick, especially Craig & Garth.
- * Middleton Grange School.
- * For those who are in prison and their families.
- * For the proposed Christian pre-school.
- * For the generous support of all towards our Restoration Fund.
- * For St. John's Theological College, Auckland—the Principal and Deans; N.Z Missionary in Cape Town.



Mission Focus

Our Mission Table last week raised \$404.10 for the work of the late Dr. Edric Baker in the Kailakuri Clinic in Bangladesh. Thank you for your wonderful support.

.....Irene Coman

Sermons are on
the web



is available

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper
Riccarton-Yaldhurst

St. Peter's & St. Luke's



15 April 2018

Easter III

Theme: The excitement is
"BUILDING"

From Our Vicar, Nick...



In this Easter season I am doing a series on the fruits of the Spirit. These are the fruits we can expect to find in our lives and in the life of our Christian community.

Galatians 5:22 love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, this week— love. In English we are not well served by our word love. Many other languages have lots of words for love. We tend to think of love as a warm feeling. e.g. I love my bed on a cold night. But when we look at love as practised by Jesus it really has nothing to do with feelings. The sort of love he taught and lived would be better translated, compassion. To have compassion for another is to literally share their pain, com-passion. When Jesus healed on the Sabbath or forgave he didn't have a warm feeling for those people but shared their pain. When he told the story of the Good Samaritan it was the compassion or pity or mercy that the Samaritan had for the beaten man that caused him to act.

We love those close to us, our family and friends, and this is good, but when we pray we need to ask for the gift of the Holy Spirit to have compassion for those we don't understand and for those we find it hard to get along with, (this may be a member of our family.) We need to ask for the grace to walk a while in their shoes. Jesus doesn't ask us to have nice feelings for others, but to **act** with mercy toward them.Nick

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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. Jean, a former parishioner, who now lives in the Nth Island sent her best wishes for our 160th Anniversary and says she really enjoys receiving and reading the Gateway magazines.

Our AGM is to be held on Sunday 29th at 11 am. Nomination clip boards are on the table for Vestry, Synod Reps and People's Warden.

Potting Mix

Potting mix is available to anyone willing to pot up plants for the Plant Sale in October. It is stored in the potting shed beside the Garage - please help yourselves. We need a volunteer to look after the potting shed—just a small job! Please ring Janet ph. 348.6473 or Jill ph. 358.1115 if you could give just an hour once a month for this.

Restoration Fundraising We were delighted that a small but significant step towards St. Peter's rebuild took place on Easter Sunday in the turning of the first sod. Later this year we will look forward to witnessing work commencing in earnest but in the meantime we still have a shortfall in our funding and are looking for further major donations (acknowledging the generosity of a recent gift of \$50,000). The Blocks and Stones project has been well supported and remains ongoing - brochures are available. Coming up we can look forward to an evening with Archbishop David Moxon (19 June), an organ recital in the Transitional Cathedral (for costs of reinstalling our own organ), another Quiz Night, and the introduction of special giving envelopes and a Living Bequest programme.
David or Jo Winfield.

St. Peter's AAW

Some dates to note in your diary...

- **Today—15th April**—Farewell Eucharist for Bishop Victoria at 5 pm in the Transitional Cathedral.
- **Wednesday 18 April**—Autumn Festival, St. Mary's Church, Halswell. Cuppa 10 am, service at 10.30 am, led by our AAW Chaplain, The Rev. Nicky Lee. Shared lunch to follow.
- **Friday 27th April**—O & O Event. Visit to City Mission, Walsh House and Women's Night Shelter. Meet at 276 Hereford Street at 1 pm. Please bring a can of food to donate or some old magazines.
Names to Barbara Fleming, 342.8982 by Friday 20th.

Spectacle Drop Off

Please drop off to the hall any unwanted spectacles you, your friends, or relatives etc no longer need. They are delivered to the Island folk who are very appreciative of them. There is a marked bag on the table for these. *Leigh Craythorne.*

Create With Fibre

This group meets on Tuesday afternoons from 1 pm to 3 pm. Everyone is welcome to come along for a chat and to work on the project of your choice. Any way of creating is welcome. Cost is \$1 and includes a cuppa. For more information phone Margaret Duffy on 342.7098 or 027.256.8202.

The 'A Team'

Our friendly Maintenance Team meet on a Friday morning at 9 am by the Parish Hall. Anyone is welcome to join in. Morning tea supplied too.

News beyond the Parish

Bishop Victoria's Farewell Service. Tonight at 5 pm in the Transitional Cathedral. All welcome.

"The Vicar of Dibley" - 10,15,16 May, 7.30 pm, Elmwood Auditorium. A special fundraiser to support the Anglican Parishes of Hornby, Templeton, West Melton, Woodend, Pegasus & Merivale-St. Albans. Tickets \$40. *See noticeboard for further details.*



This Week's Diary

Monday 16 April

Sharing & Caring—10 am.
Walking Group -1.30 pm, Fendalton Park.

Tuesday 17 April

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.
Staff Meeting—9.30 am, York Room.
Exercise Class—9.30 am, Parish Hall.
Maples Service—11 am.
Create With Fibre—1 pm, Parish Hall.

Wednesday 18 April

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.
Holy Communion—10 am.
Lenten Study—11 am, York Room.

Thursday 19 April

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.
Walking Group—9.30 am, Ray Blank Park.
Coffee & Chat—10 am, York Room.
Choir practice—7.30 pm, Parish Hall.

Friday 20 April

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.
'A Team' volunteers—9 am—noon, near Hall.
St. Allisa Service—10.30 am.

Sunday 22 April

Family Service, 11 am in the Bowden Hall.

AGM Report Booklet will be in Church next Sunday.

Life is like a Camera:
FOCUS on what's important;
CAPTURE the good times;
DEVELOP from the negatives
and if things don't work out - **Take another shot.**

Think about standing for Vestry this year. Nominations are on the table.

Gateway Magazine articles are due on 16 May.