# Worship Details

## St. Peter's Church

8.00 am - Holy Communion 9.30 am - Holy Communion AGM 11 am.



Acts 8: 26-40 Psalm 121 1 John 4: 7-21 John 15: 1-8



Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. (1 John 4.1)

#### **Collect:**

God of love,

we thank you for your great love for us in coming to earth in Jesus Christ to show us how to love and to live: may we, like Philip, be led by your Holy Spirit, so that we may share your love with all whom we meet; this day and forever. Amen.

#### **Next Week's Readings**

Acts 10.44-48 Psalm 121 1 John 5.1-6 John 15.9-17

#### Prayer Focus - Please Pray :-

- \* Give thanks for the ministry of Bishop Victoria.
- \* For the family and friends of Colleen Beswick. Colleen's funeral will be held on Thursday 10 May at 10 am, Lamb & Hayward.
- \* 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, Simon Ballantyne.
- \* For Riccarton High School.
- \* For those who are depressed.
- \* For the proposed Christian pre-school.
- \* For the generous support of all towards our Restoration Fund.
- \* For our elections at the AGM.
- \* For the Transitional Cathedral; Dean, Deacons, Asst. Curate, Associate Priest; Cathedral Chapter & Staff; Cathedral Choir, Musical Director, Organists; General Synod 4-11 May in New Plymouth.

#### Mission Focus

Next week our Mission Table will be for the work of Anne and Anthony McCormick in Cambodia. Anthony gives thanks for the success of a 'Foundations' course held in Siem Reap. Pray for continuing success.

....Irene Coman



Sermons are on the web



# Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

## St. Peter's & St. Luke's



29 April 2018 Easter V

Theme: The excitement is "BUILDING"

## From Our Vicar, Nick...

Today continues our Easter series on the fruits of the Spirit. You might remember that the fruits are love, joy,

peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control Gal 5:22.

This week the fruit is peace.

When the Risen Jesus came to the disciples, the first thing he said to them was; "peace be with you". Our word peace is a bit lame. Jesus would have spoken Aramaic and his greeting would have been closer to a blessing of well being. Peace for us can just mean the absence of war. But peace in the Spirit is a much deeper wholistic well being.

When I offer to pray with people, they often say that felt very peaceful. There is a peace that can be found in God that bubbles up from inside us. So that even in times of hardship and war, we can still be at peace within ourselves. This is truly a gift worth praying for. What is it that stands in the way of you finding God's peace in your life? Why not ask Jesus for his blessing of peace in your life? ....Nick

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## News in the Parish

**Our AGM** is TODAY at 11 am—after morning tea. Nomination forms are on the table for Vestry, Synod Reps and People's Warden. Reports are there too. Nominations close at the beginning of the meeting.

#### St. Peter's AAW

Our meeting on Wednesday 2 May begins at 10 am with Holy Communion. Following morning tea our guest will be Islay Rackham from Kilmarnock Enterprises. There will be a raffle and sales table and please remember donations for the hospital pack supplies eg soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, combs, small packets of tissues etc. Many thanks. ...Barbara Fleming 342.8982.

**Vestry Snippets** 

- \* Vestry exploring if we join Community Fun Day on 28 October
- \* A thank you went to Youth Orchestra via Ethan Wilson-Bruce
- \* Exploring Japanese Service as we have a number of Japanese speakers coming
- \* New sound speakers in St Luke's working well
- \* Shared vision for Good News Club, see vestry minutes folder for more details, by the main door
- \* Year to date deficit \$23,000 due to cost of painting hall
- \* Reminder from Health and Safety Committee to keep exits clear
- \* A \$50,000 donation received for restoration
- \* Approved applications to 17 trusts for further funding
- \* Nominations sought for Synod, and Vestry.

#### The 'A Team'

People of all ages are invited to join the men and women volunteers who spend their Friday mornings as part of the 'A' Team in fellowship and light maintenance work around the grounds. Look for us near the Parish Hall any time between 9 am and midday. ....Dennys, 3574204

#### **Restoration Fundraising**

We greatly appreciate the continuing donations for Blocks and Stones. Thanks to all who have given in this way. But as we have previously mentioned it is nearly time to commence our bequest programme and particularly Living Bequests and details will be available very soon. We will also have tickets to hear Archbishop David Moxon very shortly, just finalising arrangements at the moment. And importantly we still await your wise suggestions re major donors. ....David 322.8723

#### Plant Sale October 6th

Most parishioners have gardens, large or small and in autumn they are usually in need of a "tidy-up". As you garden you may come across unwanted plants, seedlings in the wrong place, or plants that have become too big. Even if there are only a few, please remember the Plant Sale, and pot them up.

Many other plants can be divided now e.g. hostas, paeonies, penstamon, alstromeria, day-lilies, bergenia, crysanthemums, dahlias etc, and also most irises and bulbs -lilies, daffodils, tulips etc. If you have flowering plants please label them with the flower-colour if possible.

## News beyond the Parish

**Selwyn-Tawera Consultation for Election of New Bishop**—Sunday 20th May, 5 pm, St. Timothy's Church, Burnside. *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.

#### **Church Themed Poetry**

'Perspectives of Pilgrimage' by John Davidson. A collection of poetry— varied in style and content; some meditative, some reflections on passages of scripture; others questioning; some humorous. See noticeboard for a sample and details of where to order. Cost \$20, plus \$5 postage.

## This Week's Diary

#### Monday 30 April

Walking Group -1.30 pm, Fendalton Park.

#### **Tuesday 1 May**

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.

Staff Meeting—9.30 am, York Room.

Exercise Class—9.30 am, Parish Hall.

Parkstone Service—10 am.

Mainly Music—11 am, Parish Hall.

Oaks Service—11.15 am.

Create With Fibre—1 pm, Parish Hall.

Vestry Meeting—7.30 pm.

#### Wednesday 2 May

Morning Prayer

Holy Communion—10 am.

St. Peter's AAW—10 am.

Ilam Life Care Service—1.30 pm.

#### Thursday 3 May

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room. Walking Group—9.30 am, Burnside Park. Coffee & Chat—10 am, York Room.

Choir practice—7.30 pm, Parish Hall.

Friday 4 May

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.

'A Team' volunteers—9 am—noon, near Hall.

Middlepark Service—11.15 am.

English Conversation Class—4 pm, Bowden Hall.

Youth Orchestra—6 pm, Bowden Hall.

Confirmation Class—7 pm, Vicarage.

#### Parish Roll

I will be printing another updated Parish Roll very shortly. So if you are new or are not included on the previous Roll, please fill out a cream Parishioner's Form and leave at the office or post in the office slot on the east wall of the office. Thank you. *Pamela* 

Rosters for Worship duties are on the table collection for those without email.

Gateway magazine articles are due on 16 May It's bad enough being miserable, but it is even worse when everyone else claims to be miserable, too. Inspired by AA Milne