Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8.00 am - Holy Communion 9.30 am - Holy Communion



Readings:

Acts 4: 32-35 Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24 1 John 1: 1-2.2 John 20: 19-31

Sentence:

Then Jesus said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe. '(John 20.19)

Collect

God of mystery, you affirm our right to question what we find hard to know: grant us the maturity of faith that knows when to question and when to trust; in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Next Week's Readings

Acts 3.12-19 1 John 3.1-7 Luke 24.36b-48

Prayer Focus - Please Pray :-

- * Give thanks for our Care Bears.
- * 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.
- * The Riccarton Clinic.
- * For those who ARE Homeless.
- * For the proposed Christian pre-school.
- * For the generous support of all towards our Restoration Fund.
- *For The Diocese of Dunedin; Bishop Julius Hall & Board of Governors; College House & Board of Governors; Craighead Diocesan School & Trust Board.

Mission Focus

Our Mission Table today is to raise funds for the continuation of the work of the late Dr. Edric Baker at the Kailakuri Clinic in Bangladesh.

.... Irene Coman



Sermons are on the web



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Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

St. Peter's & St. Luke's



8 April 2018 Easter 2

Theme: The excitement is "BUILDING"

From Our Vicar, Nick...

I don't know how much they spent on that bottle of wine at the Deans' conference in Adelaide, South Australia, but it was something special. I've always been a bit of a "buy local, and anything Australian's can do, we can do better," but that wine was something else. It had a fruitiness all of its own.

The Christian life has a fruitiness all of its own too. Known as the fruits of the Spirit, Paul in writing to the church in Galatia offers us 9 marks of the Holy Spirit being present in our lives. He writes, Gal 5:22-23. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control. Over the coming weeks I want to write about each of these.

Like a good wine, we can expect to find these fruits in our lives and in the lives of the Christian community.

At the confirmation class the question came up, "how do we tell if something is of God?" One of the ways is to ask ourselves, does it promote one of the fruits or does it work against them in our life. In other words, if I do this particular action does it bring about more joy in my life or less? Does it represent faithfulness or just getting my own way? Can I see generosity growing or meanness of spirit?

I give thanks that I can see so many of these fruits in the lives of individuals and in our parish. And the goods news? You don't need to go to Australia to find them!

....Nick

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News in the Parish

St Luke's Autumn Tidy-Up

Are you able to help at St Luke's with our autumn tidyup? **Saturday 14 April, 9.30am**. Morning tea provided. Please bring some garden tools for weeding, pruning, hedge trimming. Postponed if wet.

Potting Mix

Thank you to Dennys and the "A Team" who arranged delivery of, and bagged up, the potting mix last Friday for the Plant Sale. The 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.

Janet and Jill spent an hour last week tidying the Potting Shed as no one has yet volunteered to take on this small job! Please ring Janet ph. 3486473 or Jill ph. 3581115 if you could give just an hour once a month for this job.

Restoration Fundraising We were delighted that a small but significant step towards St. Peter's rebuild took place last 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.

The Wednesday Study on Romans will continue on 11 April at 11 am. All Welcome.

St. Peter's AAW

Some dates to note in your diary...

- **Sunday 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.

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 - art, crochet, draw, knit, paint, sew, sketch, spin, stitch, weave or whittle - and any fibre - animal, vegetable or mineral, organic or inorganic, are welcome. Create for yourself, your loved ones or charity. Cost is \$1 and includes a cuppa. For more information phone Margaret Duffy on 342.7098 or 027.256.8202.



Future Dates for your Diary

Book Sale—23 June Confirmation—1 July Plant Sale 6—October Garage Sale—13 October



News beyond the Parish

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

City Choir Concert - "Mozart Requiem"

Saturday 14 April, 7.30 pm at the Transitional Cathedral. Tickets \$20 through Martin Dixon, otherwise \$25; child/student \$10.



This Week's Diary

Monday 9 April

Walking Group -1.30 pm, Riccarton Domain.

Tuesday 10 April

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. Homestead Service—11 am. Create With Fibre—1 pm, Parish Hall. Mayfair Service—3 pm.

Wednesday 11 April

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

Thursday 12 April

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room. Walking Group—9.30 am, Millbrook Reserve.

Coffee & Chat—10 am, York Room. Care Bears—7 pm, York Room. Choir practice—7.30 pm, Parish Hall. the table.

Friday 13 April

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room. English Conversation Class—4 pm, Bowden Hall. Youth Orchestra—6 pm.

Sunday 15 April

Farewell to Bishop Victoria, 5 pm, Transitional Cath.

Confirmation Class will begin again on Sun 22/4.

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.

Think about standing for Vestry this year.

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