## 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



#### **Readings:**

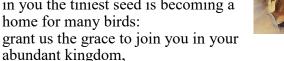
Ezekiel 17.22-24 Psalm 8 2 Corinthians 5.6-10, 14-17 Mark 4.26-34

#### **Sentence:**

Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. (Ezekiel 17.23b)

#### **Collect:**

God of the unexpected, in you the tiniest seed is becoming a home for many birds:



where the least find a home with the mighty; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

#### **Post Communion:**

So if anyone is in Christ there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see everything has become new! (2 Corinthians 5.17)



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

Job 38.1-11 Psalm 8 2Corinthians 6.1-13 Mark 4.35-41

### Prayer Focus - Please Pray:-

- \* Give thanks for all our Volunteers.
- \* For our Confirmation Candidates:-

Abbey Meiritz-Reid, Caed Falloon, Ethan Wilson-Bruce, Kathryn Shearing, Sophie Butler, Sophie Meiritz-Reid.

- \* For those renewing their confirmation.
- \*For those known to us who are sick, especially Craig, Garth.
- \* For Riccarton Race Course—Staff, & Jockeys.
- \* For the Christian pre-school, on site.
- \* For the Parishes of Fendalton and Geraldine. Members of Parliament.

#### Mission Focus

This year Tessa has taken on a new role with the Gulu District Local Government as "Social Justice" Advisor to the District Chairperson. Tessa has started work on a school feeding programme and local education law reform.

....Irene Coman

Sermons are on the web



#### is available

# Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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

17 June 2018 Ordinary Sunday XI

Theme: The excitement is "BUILDING"

## From our Assistant Priest John...

#### Seeds

My father used to grow chrysanthemums. He became quite famous for it.

All because of me. Well, that's what I tell him.

He took up the hobby after he retired. He would enter his chrysanthemums in shows, but he didn't do

Around this time, he visited me in Japan, so I organised a trip to the largest chrysanthemum farm in Japan. He was blown away when he made a discovery – the farm sold seeds.

Normally chrysanthemums are grown from cuttings.

Dad concocted a plan which was to involve me smuggling seeds into NZ of chrysanthemum varieties not found here, so he could grow them and win awards.

He still thinks I smuggled them in, but I just told customs I had them. Dad went on to win a number of awards for his flowers.

In this week's Gospel reading, Jesus talks about seeds. For him, they are a picture of what God's kingdom is like.

What they reveal to us is God's desire that we should flourish; and when we help others to flourish – even with their flower growing – we are establishing God's kingdom.

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## News in the Parish

#### **Restoration Fundraising**

Our Living Bequest programme has been launched and most will have received a letter about this. For further information or to sign up please speak to David Winfield, Corin Murfitt or the Vicar. But wait, there's more .... tickets are now available for an evening with Archbishop Sir David Moxon formerly Primate of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and the Pacific but more recently the Anglican Church's representative at the Vatican. With a number of opportunities to meet Pope Francis he has some fascinating stories to relate. We can hear him at a

Restoration Fundraising Evening Tuesday 19th June, from 7.00pm at La Vida Conference Centre, 34A Hanson's Lane with refreshments provided as well. Tickets (\$40 single, \$75 double) available from committee members or the Parish Office with eftpos provided. Alternately reservations can be made by contacting davenjo@xtra.co.nz and tickets picked up on the night.

Do pass the word around for what promises to be a great evening. ... David 322.8723



#### **Book Sale**

Friday 22 and Saturday 23 June we will have our "Biggest Book Sale". Please leave any excess books, records, magazines at the office. Lists are on the table for you to add your name if you wish to help.

#### **Dramatised Reading of Mark's Gospel**

Friday 22 June in the Bowden Hall 7 pm. Come along and hear the Gospel we are reading most Sundays in 2018.

## Patronal Festival— Sunday 1 July, 9.30 am Service

Patronal Festival Service, Confirmation, Bishop David Coles, Buffet Luncheon— 11.30 am (finger food) \$20 pp; school children \$5, under 5 free. Purchase tickets after church or at the office. Last day for sale of tickets —25 June. ....Social Committee

#### Giving

A parishioner has given the tax rebate they received to the Restoration Fund. They wanted me to let you know as you may like to do the same.

**Zero Carbon Act**—This Act is a powerful new law to get Aotearoa NZ on track to a safe, thriving, carbon-neutral

Climate change is dramatically changing the world we love, it's putting our homes, our land and our people at risk. The effects are being felt worst by people in poor countries, who didn't cause the problem. They are most vulnerable to extreme weather events, failed crops, dried up rivers and loss of their homes. We in New Zealand must take responsibility and do our bit to reduce our own emissions. Read more details on the noticeboard.

## News beyond the Parish

City Choir Concert—"Bites of Opera", Saturday 30th June, 7.00 pm, Transitional Cathedral. This concert is a wonderful mixture of food and music, familiar opera choruses and arias. Tickets can be purchased for \$75 from Martin Dixon (Choir Member), otherwise \$80 from Eventfinda.co.nz. This includes all the music, the meal and a drink. See poster on noticeboard.

## This Week's Diary

#### **Monday 18 June**

Walking Group- 1.30 pm, Riccarton Domain.

#### Tuesday 19 June

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

David Moxon Event—7 pm.

#### Wednesday 20 June

Morning Prayer—9 am. Holy Communion—10 am.

#### **Thursday 21 June**

Morning Prayer—9 am.

Walking Group—9.30 am, Riccarton Racecourse. Coffee & Chat—10 am.

Choir practice—7.30 pm, Parish Hall.

#### Friday 22 June

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room. Book Sale—9 am—4 pm, Parish Hall.

'A Team' volunteers—9 am—noon, near Parish Hall. English Conversation Class—4 pm, Bowden Hall.

Youth Orchestra—6 pm, Bowden Hall.

Confirmation Class are going to the

Dramatised Reading of the Gospel—7 pm, Bowden.

#### Saturday 23 June

Book Sale—9 am—4 pm, Parish Hall.

#### **Pots Required**

Our collection of large pots and hanging baskets has disappeared from beside our potting shed and we are in need of more for the Plant Sale. We would be pleased to receive large, small and extra small pots. Thank you. Jill and Janet.



The Churchwardens practising their routine for Bishop David's visit.

## Coming up -For your diaries

David Moxon Evening— 19 June Book Sale—22, 23 June Dramatised Gospel Reading—22 June Patronal Festival—1 July Nurse Maude Service— 8 July Gateway Articles— 23 July Tree Talk—29 July Racing Service— 5 August Spring Service—9 Sept

Please save your stamps for missions