Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8.00 am - Holy Communion 9.30 am - Holy Communion 11.00 am - Family Service



Readings: Jeremiah 23.1-6

Psalm 103.1-4, 8, 10, 12-13

Ephesians 2.11-22 Mark 6.30-34, 53-56

Sentence:

As Jesus went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. (cf Mark 6.34)

Collect:

Compassionate God, in Christ you would gather us as shepherds gather their sheep: help us in our anxiety to know your tender care that nothing can come between us and your everlasting arms; now and forever. Amen.



Next Week's Readings:

2 Kings 4.42-44 Psalm 34.1-8 Ephesians 3.14-21 John 6.1-14



Prayer Focus - Please Pray:-

- * Give thanks for those standing for Bishop.
- * For Colin Hill's family, following his death.
- * For those known to us who are sick, especially Craig, and Jim.
- * For those suffering depression.
- * For the Parish of Aranui.
- * For the Christian pre-school, on site.
- * For the generous support of all towards our Restoration Fund.
- * For Hinds Co-operating Parish. NZ Diocesan National Youth Adviser.
- * St. Peter's, Croydon, U.K. seeking a new Vicar.

Food Basket—Each week we collect food for the City Mission and Aranui Parish. There is a basket just inside the church door for these items. Please - no perishable goodies though. Thank you.

Mission Focus

Anne & Anthony McCormick, have been based in Cambodia since 2011. They continue social work and patient recovery at the World Mate emergency Hospital there.Irene

Wanted for Office—used large envelopes (A4) - just for giving out 'stuff' etc. *Ta. P*

Sermons are on the web



is available

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

St. Peter's & St. Luke's

22 July 2018 Ordinary Sunday XVI

Theme: The excitement is "BUILDING"

From Our Vicar, Nick

Electing a Bishop

As we approach the election of the new bishop, many have been asking me how new bishops are elected, with obviously a lot of confusion in their voices.



Firstly our bishop is elected. We are blessed to be in a church that elects bishops. Some other churches have theirs appointed by people overseas.

The electing body is our own local Synod. Those people you elect each year at the AGM, they are the ones who vote on who the bishop is going to be. Along with the clergy this makes up about 250 people from every corner of the Diocese.

People seeking to be bishop are nominated by two from the Synod. Details of the nominated have been sent out to members of the Electoral Synod. Along with their names we have a CV and their answers to some questions. There will be a video interview with each candidate shown to the Synod when it gathers at St Christopher's on the 17th and 18th of August.

The Synod is chaired by another bishop, in our case Archbishop Sir David Moxon. They make sure we keep to the process and once we have a candidate with over 51% of the vote, the name goes to General Synod members for agreement.

Any Christian from anywhere in the world may be nominated, lay people included, but it is unusual for them not to be an Anglican priest or bishop.

Once appointed, if they are a priest, they will be ordained a bishop. There is no set term for a bishop. Our last one served for 10 years. Even if they stand down from working as a bishop, they remain a bishop. Just as when a vicar retires they remain a priest.

Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide our decision making and ultimately bless the person chosen.Nick

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News in the Parish

Family Service today at 11 am in the Bowden Hall. All welcome.

Grand National Service

This annual service will be held here on Sunday 5th August at 9.30 am. The Racing Chaplain, Andrew McKerrow, has been invited by our Vicar to take part in this service. Our Canterbury Jockey Club



and racing fraternity have been very generous to the Parish in the past; particularly with sizeable donations to the church restoration project. It would be good if you can bring a plate of food for morning tea. Corin Murfitt

Vestry Snippets

Each Vestry Member agreed on a portfolio, e.g.

Fiona, Ann and Nick asked to do a submission to the Zero Carbon Select Committee.

St Luke's enjoying new people coming.

A landscape plan has been completed for Vestry to discuss at the next meeting.

Church contents have been emptied and put in containers around the site so work can begin.

May year to date income \$126,280, year to date budget \$134,254. Felt that donations going to restoration affecting income for Parish.

YTD expenditure \$164,503, budget \$174,753.

Discussion whether the Parish needs a loan to finish church.

The full Vestry Minutes are on the table by the door.

Plant Sale—13 October, 9 am

Now that gardens are drying out a little, there is still time to divide and pot up plants for the sale - e.g. paeonies, hostas, iris, chrysanthemums, violets, polyanthus, alstromeria (but not pink), day-lilies - to suggest just a few. There is plenty of potting-mix available in the shed -and a selection of pots also. We still need larger pots, and also small and extrasmall pots. Six-cell seed-troughs are NOT needed—there are plenty in the potting shed.

....Jill 3581115, Janet 3486473

Restoration Fundraising

Still they come - Living Stones and Blocks continue to exceed our expectations so do support this programme to have your names (or those of family and loved ones) permanently recorded in the rebuild. But our Living Bequest programme is now gathering pace and we would love to talk over with you the information in our recently produced brochure. Please contact either me or Corin Murfitt (3488625) or Edwin Boyce (3445257). But wait there's more make sure you register soon for the Quiz Night on Friday 31 August. As previously we would also appreciate any donations towards the multi-draw raffle for the night. Thanks for all your contributions in so many ways.

....David Winfield 322.8723.

Grief Support Group

Nick would like to start one. Please talk to him to register your interest.

Please Notify Us

If you find you cannot make the service and you are rostered on a duty, please in the first instance arrange a swop, or secondly, contact the office prior to Friday noon, or if after the office is closed please text or phone the Vicar prior to 7 am on the Sunday. The Vicar doesn't take his cell phone to Sunday Services. Thank you.

Lots of white tablecloths from the Parish Hall have gone astray. If you know where they are stored, or have taken them to be washed please let Pamela at the office know.

Christmas Shoe Boxes are here now for you to fill. By the York Room door. Due back October. See the next Gateway for more details.

TONIGHT—Pre Synod Meeting, 7–9 pm at St. Silas, Redwood, 237 Main North Road.

This Week's Diary

Monday 23 July

Walking Group- 1.30 pm, Fendalton Park.

Tuesday 24 July

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

Wednesday 25 July

Morning Prayer—9 am. Holy Communion—10 am. Vestry Meeting—7.30 pm.

Thursday 26 July

Morning Prayer—9 am.

Walking Group—9.30 am, St. James

Coffee & Chat—10 am.

Care Bears—7 pm, York Room.

Choir practice—7.30 pm.

Friday 27 July

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.

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

Youth Orchestra—6 pm, Bowden Hall.



"I can't help it.... I just don't feel like praying."

Trip to Kaikoura 15, 16 September

A bus trip is being planned to visit Kaikoura with the Choir and Youth Group to attend the Kaikoura St. Peter's Church service, 10 am on Sunday 16th. This is to thank them for their support for our restoration. Mark this Date in your diary if you are interested. All Welcome.

More details next week.

'Next of Kin' forms are available on the table. Please fill out and drop into the office.

Coming up -For your diaries

Commitment Sunday—29 July Tree Talk—29 July Racing Service-5 August Gateway in Church—5 August Quiz—31 August Spring Service—2 Sept, 10 am, here. Garage Sale—29 Sept Plant Sale—13 Oct