

Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8.00 am - Holy Communion

9.30 am - Holy Communion



Readings:

1 Kings 19.4-8

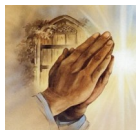
Psalm 34.1-8

Ephesians 4.25-5.2

John 6.35, 41-51

Sentence:

Collect:



Next Week's Readings:



Prayer Focus - Please Pray:-

- * Give thanks for our Good News Club & Leaders.
 - * For the family and friends of Mary Scott whose funeral was held last week.
 - * For those known to us who are sick, especially Craig.
 - * For those in prison.
 - * For Keeping Good Company.
 - * For the Christian pre-school, on site.
 - * For the generous support of all towards our Restoration Fund.
 - * For the parish of Hornby, Templeton & West Melton.
- Seafarer Welfare Societies, British Sailors' Society, Mission to Seafarers: Liaison John McLister. Bi-Cultural Education Committee.

Mission Focus

Our Mission Table last week raised \$383.40. This stall was for Dianne Bayley who works for Children's Bible Ministry in the Philippines. The Leprosy Mission will receive a \$50 donation. Thank you very much for your 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

12 August 2018

Ordinary Sunday XIX

Theme: The excitement is

"BUILDING"

From our Vicar, Nick....



Keeping the relationship alive

There's a saying that God has no grandchildren. What this means is that we can't have a second hand relationship with God, through another person. We each need our own direct living companionship with God. The revolutionary claim of the Christians is that Jesus is alive and we can have a direct, life giving and intimate relationship with him. The Bible tells us about the historical Jesus and this is vital but in the here and now Jesus is alive. It's as we enter into an intimate relationship with Jesus that our faith begins to make sense. We begin to experience for ourselves the all encompassing love that God has for us. We begin to see ourselves as God sees us. Our desires and hopes begin to be the desires and hopes that God has for us. There is no substitute for this sort of relationship.

We keep this intimate relationship with Jesus alive through prayer. There is no substitute for prayer. Just as when we have a friend there is no substitute for spending time with that person. You can tell someone who prays; they are slower to judge others, they are quicker to see the good in other people, they sit lightly with what they own and worry less about the future. They are more likely to embrace change and laugh more readily and know a deeper joy in their lives. In short they are more Christlike. In fact research shows that they live longer and have less illness as well. 800 years ago St Richard put the longing, that we all have for a first hand relationship with the living Christ, in a prayer.

"O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know thee more clearly,
love thee more dearly,
and follow thee more nearly, day by day." Amen.

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News in the Parish

Youth Group and Parents Meeting

TODAY, 11 am, at the Vicarage.

Kaikoura Trip—15, 16 September

A bus trip is being planned to visit Kaikoura with the Choir and Youth Group to stay over night on 15th and attend the Kaikoura St. Peter's Church service, 10 am on Sunday 16th. This is to thank them for their support for our restoration. Read more about it in last week's Bulletin insertion or the Gateway Magazine. There is a registration list on the table for you if you wish to go.

Trees Talk

If anyone has information about either the age of specific trees or the special occasion for which they were planted (excepting the King Edward VII oak) at St. Peter's or St. Luke's, could they please contact me as I am compiling a parish record of such things which will be kept in the Landscape Plan for the grounds. Many thanks.Dennys Guild, ph. 357.4204

Garage Sale 29th September 9.00am

This is a reminder about things we can't sell - electric blankets, TVs, any computers or parts thereof including printers, video players, children's car seats, chipped or broken crockery. If you have curtains, faded curtains cannot be sold, nor can curtains with mould stains. If you have duet covers or sheets, it would also be a big help if you could attach a note to them as to what size they are. Thank you.Gwen and Jo

Keeping Good Company

As previously mentioned, were competing in Theatrefest, the national one-act competition last weekend. Along with one or two individual awards one of our plays 'Dominico Hall' was sent on to the regionals later this month. Congratulations to all involved. And a reminder that the two plays will be performed locally as a double bill at some point in the near future, watch this space.

Our Next Quiz Night is coming up on Friday, 31st August, 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Teams of up to 6 members with entry \$10 a head admission (\$5 school students). Good prizes, a multi-draw raffle, BYO refreshments. Register with team name on the list at the back of church or email jo.winfield49@gmail.com. All proceeds going to St. Peter's Church Restoration so do join us for a fun(d) raising evening's entertainment.

St. Peter's Restoration

An update on progress - funds in the bank or promised now total \$1.9 million. This is a great achievement and with everyone's contribution we can push on to the target of approximately \$2.5 million. Much of the credit of course goes to our professional fundraisers Barrier & Co but they will be finishing up with us in about a month's time. It would be so good if we could at least reach the \$2 million mark by the time they leave us. So keep up with the Living Stones and Blocks, Living Bequests, other individual gifts, and suggestions for funding sources. We can do this!

....David Winfield, 322 8723

Garden Mulch/Soil Conditioner

Made from composted leaves collected around the church grounds, this material is great for use in pots (with a proper potting mix and fertiliser) or as a mulch around established plants to keep the weeds down. Only about 12 bags left, at \$1 per bag.

....Ring Dennys on 357 4204.

News beyond the Parish

Canterbury Philharmonia—Birds

See the poster on the noticeboard regarding this concert at the Charles Luney Auditorium, St. Margaret's College, today, 2 pm.

Te Waiora House

Brochures are on the table explaining what they have to offer i.e. a place for a time of refreshment, rest, or renewal. Hororata Road—236.

This Week's Diary

Monday 13 August

Walking Group—1.30 pm,
Riccarton Domain.

Tuesday 14 August

Morning Prayer—9 am.
Staff Meeting—9.30 am.
Exercise Class—9.30 am.
Homestead Service—11 am.
Mainly Music—11 am.

Create With Fibre—1 pm, Yk Rm.

Mayfair Service—3 pm.

Wednesday 15 August

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

Thursday 16 August

Morning Prayer—9 am.
Walking Group—9.30 am, Jellie Park.
Coffee & Chat—10 am.
Care Bears—7.00 pm, York Room.
Choir practice—7.30 pm.

Friday 17 August

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.
Youth Group—7 pm, Bowden Hall.

Saturday 18 August

Card Making Group—10 am—4 pm. Bowden Hall.



Commitment Forms—If you haven't been able to fill out a Commitment Form please obtain one from table or the office or acquire one on line and return to the office as soon as you are able. ...Thank you.

Gateway Magazines—are ready for delivery.

Please distribute as soon as you can. If you are not on a delivery list, please take a copy from the table.

Christmas Shoe Boxes - There is a launch of this campaign on Sat 18 Aug, 285 Wilsons Rd, Opawa Baptist church, 10 am. All welcome.

Newcomers

We have Welcome Packs full of information about the Parish, or a shorter version, a pamphlet with pics of the church on the front, for you. These are on the table by the entry doors.



Funeral tea Helpers

We need volunteers to heat the food, plate it, and serve tea and coffee at funerals that are held in our Church. If you would like to help, please contact Pamela in the office.

"I don't want to be first or last, I want to wallow somewhere in the middle."