

Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8.00 am—Holy Communion

9.30 am—Holy Communion

St. Luke's Church

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Readings:

Jeremiah 17.5-10

Psalms 36.5-11

1 Corinthians 15.12-20

Luke 6.17-26



Sentence:

Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. (Luke 6.23)

Collect:

O God, the giver of life,
all that we have comes from your hand.
Help us to be good stewards of your abundance,
to use your gifts wisely,
and to share them generously.
May our unselfishness bear witness to your love in our lives
as we pray with grateful hearts, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Next Week's Readings:

Genesis 45.3-11, 15

Psalms 36.5-11

1 Corinthians 15.35-38, 42-50

Luke 6.27-38

Prayer Focus

We pray:-

- * Giving thanks for Peter Carrell, our newly Ordained Bishop.
- * For Kofe our new Deacon Assistant.
- * For our Commitment Sunday.
- * For our Pre-School arriving on site this week.
- * For the community—the medical centres.
- * For those who are sick especially Olga Holloway, Noeline Coutts, Wendy Spragg, Margaret Mahan and those known to us.
- * For our own ministries.

Mission Update

At our first table for the year Simon and Rachel Tipping spoke about their work for the Hornsby Trust in Tonga. It was wonderful to hear the success of the 4 students we sponsored. Also the work required to repair the school and the homes of the students after the Cyclone Gita did so much damage. Our help is so much appreciated. Thank you to all who supported our stall.

....Irene Coman

Please save your stamps for Missions

Sermons are on the web



is available

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper
Riccarton-Yaldhurst

St Peter's & St Luke's

17 February 2019

Ordinary Sunday VI

Commitment Sunday

From our Deacon Assistant—Kofe



This Commitment Sunday has forced me to look back and reflect on the level of my commitment to Christ over the years.

Several years ago I went out to buy a new computer for our home. Trying to install it, I kept hitting problems which frustrated me so I called the computer company to ask if one of their technicians could come out to my place and help me with this blasted piece of technology. Early that evening, as I was still fumbling around, there was a knock on our front door; agitated and clearly losing my mind, I rushed the guy through to my computer room and showed him where the brand new computer was. I then left him to it and started preparing our evening meal.

A little while later, the gentleman called out that everything was hooked up and ready to go. In the midst of my profuse thanks and joy, he stopped me and gently said, "I am X, vicar of XX, and I just dropped by to see how you were!" I could have died!

You see, at that time, I had turned my back on my faith and lived an angry life: anti everything to do with the church and God. But this gentle servant of God came to me and I couldn't do anything else but revisit the reasons I held on to, not to have any commitment to the Lord.

God invites us into that very special circle of faith and encourages us to share our faith with those around us. We are blessed and at the same time, challenged, to commit our lives to Christ so that others may believe. What a privilege! Let us "rejoice in our day and leap for joy for surely our reward is great in heaven."

.....Kofe

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News in the Parish

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.

Name Tags

Please wear your name tags each Sunday. It will be helpful to Kofe as she meets you all.

Garage Sale—Saturday 2 March, 9 am—noon.

At present we have lots of furniture and books but not much else. All donations welcome. Please phone Jo Winfield on 322.8723 if you have anything to be collected or can help on the day.

Lenten Studies

If you are interested in leading or hosting a Lenten Study Group, please speak to the Vicar or contact Pamela in the office. Study books are arriving soon.

Ash Wednesday Services – 6 March



10 am and 8 pm, Imposition of Ashes Service, at St. Peter's Church. The **8 pm Service** will be celebrated with parishioners from Our Lady of Victories and Christchurch West Methodist Church.

Gateway Magazine closing date -15 March

Please email your articles to Adeline (adeline1232010@gmail.com) or hand into the office by this date. Thank you.

Card Making Group 2019

This group will meet for the first time this year, next Saturday, 23 February in the Bowden Hall, from 10 am to 4 pm. Bring along your card making gear, something to share for lunch and \$5. Morning and afternoon tea supplied. If you would like to join in please give Irene Coman a call on 348.7554.

“A Team” Volunteers

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 church grounds. Look out for them round the Parish Hall anytime between 9 am and midday on a Friday.Dennys Guild 357.4204.

Family Service Next Sunday 24 February

This is held in the Bowden Hall at 11 am. All welcome.

Bequest Pamphlet

The Fundraising Committee have produced a **Bequest Pamphlet**, so if you are going to a lawyer, accountant, supermarket or library, please take a few and ask to have these put on their noticeboards etc as this will save us \$100s in postage. Pamphlets are by the church 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 (the money raised goes to our Church). If you would like to help, please contact Pamela in the office.

News beyond the Parish

Rose Historic Chapel—This recently restored Chapel, 866 Colombo St, previously St. Mary's Convent Chapel, is holding two free musical concerts in February. Harpist Helen Webby will play today, 2-4 pm; Tim Sellars Jazz Trio, Sun 24th, 2-4 pm. All welcome.

Car Boot Sale –23 February

St. James' Church, 750 Harewood Road, 9 am—1 pm. A fundraiser organised by the Anglican Centre Staff to raise money for the Hornby Parish. If you want a site, \$20 per car—email: carboot2019@gmail.com or ph 348 5129.

Martin Setchell is playing at the **Town Hall** on the restored and enhanced **Rieger Pipe Organ**, Wednesday 6 March, 1.10 pm, and 6 pm. Both these concerts are complimentary.

This Week's Diary

Monday 18 February

Walking Group—1.30 pm,

Tuesday 19 February

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.
Maples Service—11 am.
Create With Fibre—1 pm, York Room.

Wednesday 20 February

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.
Holy Communion—10 am, Parish Hall.

Thursday 21 February

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.
Walking Group—9.30 am,
Coffee & Chat—10 am, York Room.
Choir—7.30 pm, Parish Hall.



Friday 22 February

Morning Prayer—9 am, York Room.
'A' Team - 9 am, by the hall.
English Conversation Class—4–6 pm, Bowden Hall.
Youth Orchestra—6 pm, Bowden Hall.
Youth Group—7 pm, Bowden Hall.

Saturday 23 February

Card making—10 am—4 pm, Bowden Hall.

Pre-School Arrives on site Tuesday 19 February at 1 am

Everyone is invited to view the landing of the new pre-school, but if you would rather wait until a more reasonable hour there will be a break-fast at 7.30 am in the parish hall to celebrate this big event. Just come along. Our new Bishop Peter is coming too!



“Train up a child in the way they should go;
Even when they are old they will not depart from it.”
Proverbs 22:6