

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

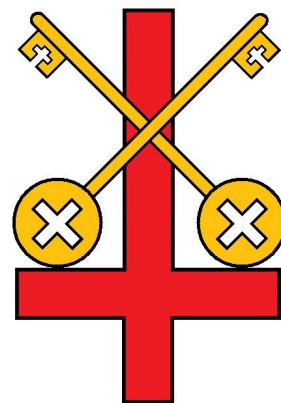
Theme of the Year: **Passing The Baton**

**St Peter's
&**

St Luke's

14 April 2019

Palm Sunday



Have you ever read a book that is so good you don't want it to end? I had a wonderful English teacher at high school, before it was trendy he had us reading the Lord of The Rings. I can remember one class, that would make any modern educator proud, he had us be journalists and interviewed each other as if we were at the Battle of Helm's deep. Anyway many 1,000's of pages later I can remember reading the last chapter of the 3rd book slower and slower, I just didn't want it to end!



Today; Palm Sunday marks the beginning of the greatest story ever told. It begins with Jesus proclaimed as a king as he rides into Jerusalem, later in the week he will give the greatest command ever given, to "do this in remembrance of me," he will show what true humility is by washing the disciples feet, and then he, having been abandoned by his closest friends will die a terrible death, to convince us of God's love. Finally when all seems lost, he will rise from death, conquering it forever.

This story is a roller coaster ride of the emotions, and in it we find life. Unlike the Lords of Rings it is true, and it doesn't end, because as we enter in the events of this week, we too discover life without end. Love in the end is stronger than death, even death on the cross. We can say that but it only becomes real as we live it, in song, drama and liturgy, this holy week.

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News Beyond the Parish

Seasons For Growth

A four week course.

Thursday May 9th-30th, 1-3pm.

Petersgate Meeting Room. Cost \$30.

We share our experiences of loss and our strategies for coping, we lose jobs, independence, loved ones and a whole lot more. The facilitators are Don Rowlands and Margaret Morton.

Please ring 342 8101 if interested.

Petersgate News

See on the noticeboard the Petersgate News Bulletin.

ANZAC Day—Thursday, 25APR

There will be a service at Rannerdale at 10am, conducted by Rev Kofe.

Together '19

Te Raranga invites Greater Christchurch Churches to join together in prayer and celebration in the newly opened **Town Hall on 11 May at 7pm.**

Tickets on sale at **Ticketek.**
<https://premier.ticketek.co.nz/shows/show.aspx?sh=CELEBRAT19&v=CTH>

Discounts available for blocks of 50 or more \$16.00. Bookings of 10 or more must be made by phone
Ticketek 03 379 0597



Mission Focus from Irene Coman

Our Mission table last week raised \$459.60 for the Lenten Appeal. The funds will be divided between the 3 projects—Christ Anglican School in Nazareth, Holy Land Institute for Deaf & Blind students, Water for All Fiji.

Thank you for your wonderful support.



This Week's Diary

Sunday 14 April **Palm Sunday**

Eucharist Worship Service—8am, 9.30am, St Peter's

Station of the Cross—7.30pm, St Luke's

Lenten Study—St Luke's, 6pm

Monday 15 April

Walking Group—1.30pm, Fendalton Park

Tuesday 16 April

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

Staff Meeting—9.30am, York Room

Exercise Class—9.30am, Parish Hall

Maple Life Care Service —11am

Create With Fibre—1pm, York Room

Wednesday 17 April

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

Lenten Study — 11am, York Room

Thursday 18 April **Maundy Thursday**

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

Walking Group— 9.30am, Garden (coffee)

Coffee & Chat— 10am, York Room

Worship—7:30pm, Upper Riccarton Methodist Church

Friday 19 April **Good Friday**

Good Friday Service—9.30am, Parish Hall

Sunday 21 April **Easter Day**

Eucharist —8am, 9.30am, St Peter's

Eucharist —9.30am, St Luke's



News in the Parish



Coffee & Chat

Rosters are on the table to collect.



Holy Week & Easter Worship

Palm Sunday—14 April

Eucharist — 8am and 9.30am, St Peter's

Station of the Cross—7.30pm, St Luke's

Maundy Thursday—18 April

7:30pm, Upper Riccarton Methodist Church

Good Friday—19 April

8am, 9.30am, St Peter's

Easter Day—21 April

Eucharist —8am and 9.30am, St Peter's

Eucharist —9.30am, St Luke's



Rosters for Sunday Worship

If you are interested in going on a roster to help with worship from time to time then please see Jo Winfield.

We are always needing folk to help and any assistance you would like to provide is welcome. We need volunteers for Communion Procession, Welcoming, Reading, Intercessions, Data projecting, and Morning Tea.

If you would like to help with worship leading, serving or the chalice then you will need to speak with any of the clergy first.

Plant Sale—October

Potting Mix is now available following delivery of a fresh supply last Friday.

As the Potting shed is currently inaccessible, a few bags have been put behind the Hall.

These are available for anyone willing to pot up plants for the Annual Plant Sale -but please just take one bag initially, more will be available as soon as we can get into the Potting Shed.

Please do not drop off plant pots at present—there is nowhere to store them.

Also -a big "thank-you" to Gwen and Denys and the "A" Team for bagging up the potting mix previous Friday.

Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8.00am—Holy Communion

9.30am—Holy Communion

St. Luke's Church

7.30pm Station of the Cross

Readings: Luke 19.28-40
Zechariah 9.9-12
Psalm 118.1-2, 19-29
Philippians 2.5-11
John 12.12-16

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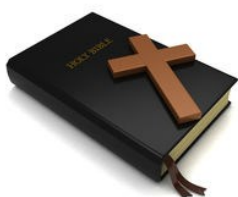
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! (Isaiah 43.29)

Collect

God of kings and criminals,
your ways are not our ways:
on your way to Jerusalem
with shouts we acclaimed you,
on the way to Calvary
with shouts we condemned you,
mercifully grant us the way that leads to life;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Vesicle and Response for Intercessions

You are our God
we welcome you.



Prayer Focus

We pray:

- * For our new vestry and for wisdom.
- * For the family of Craig Jones and Pat Rhodes at their recent death.
- * For the community, especially the uni drop-in centre.
- * For those who are sick especially Olga Holloway, Wendy Spragg, Judy and those known to us.
- * For the study and prayer groups this Lent.
- * For St Peter's restoration, especially the builders will be kept safe.
- * For Nicole & Christopher Alcock, members of our parish being baptised in Hastings on Easter Sunday.

Palm
Sunday

A stylized green palm frond graphic that curves under the word 'Sunday'.