

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

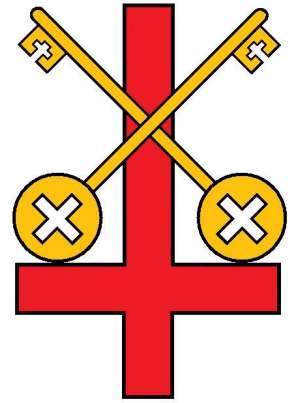
Theme of the Year: Passing The Baton

**St Peter's
&**

St Luke's

21 April 2019

Easter Sunday



Love is stronger.

This morning we gather, as Christians have across 2,000 years, and will be gathering across the world to proclaim that Jesus is risen! The crucified and dead Jesus, is now the risen and glorified Christ. But Easter is more than an amazing historic event. It is a way of life. It is a way of life that proclaims, love is stronger than death.



Following the terrible Mosque shootings many said, love is stronger than death, or that light overcomes darkness. We know because of Easter morning that this is not just wishful thinking.

Anglican Bishop Desmond Tutu was a symbol of hope in the midst of apartheid South Africa. Against all odds the Bishop wrote this prayer,

Victory is Ours
Goodness is stronger than evil;
Love is stronger than hate;
Light is stronger than darkness;
Life is stronger than death;
Victory is ours through Him who loves us.

We sing these words at the family service as a hymn. My prayer is that you might know the truth of these words in your life, this Easter.

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News in the Parish



Palm Cross Making

A BIG thanks to those who participated in the palm cross making.

Bulletin

Latest bulletin is now available for viewing on the parish's website by Friday evening.

Office Closed

Parish office is closed Monday, Tuesday and Thursday next week due to public holidays.



Receipts for Envelope and Direct Debit Giving

The tax receipts for those parishioners who donate to the parish by envelope or direct debit are now available for collection.

Your receipt will include any donation that you have given for the building restoration on a regular basis.

Please ensure that you take the correct receipt and please keep it safe.

If you collect a receipt for someone else please give it to them within the week as this will avoid confusion.

The office will have a list of all the names for whom a receipt has been provided. The same list is on the notice board in the Parish Hall. Please consult this list before claiming that a receipt was not provided.

If you gave a lump sum to the building restoration you should have received a separate receipt from the office. Please see Rev. David Winfield if you have not already received such a receipt.

Create With Fibre

Create with Fibre is having a break next week, 23APR. Contact Margaret Duffy for more information.

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. Thank you to those who have already offered!

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.

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

♥ Christ Anglican School in Nazareth—founded in 1881 by CMS, the school has 1100 students from Christian & Muslim families.

♥ Holy Land Institute for Deaf & Blind Students—founded in 1964 in Salt, Jordan as a small school for deaf students.

♥ Water for All, Fiji—A project to provide safe & consistent water supply.



This Week's Diary

Sunday 21 April Easter Sunday

Eucharist —8am, 9.30am, St Peter's

Eucharist —9.30am, St Luke's



Tuesday 23 April

Exercise Class—9.30am, Parish Hall

Wednesday 24 April

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

Wednesday Service—10am, Parish Hall

Vestry Meeting—7.30pm, York Room

Performing Art Group—7.30pm, Bowden Hall

Thursday 25 April ANZAC DAY

Service—10am, Rannerdale



Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8.00am—Holy Communion

9.30am—Holy Communion

St. Luke's Church

9.30am —Holy Communion

Readings

Isaiah 65.17-25

Psalms 118.1-2, 14-24

Acts 10.34-43

John 20.1-9

Sentence

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have slept. (1 Corinthians 15.20)

Collect

Confounding God,
you choose women to witness:
confound us again with your saving power,
bringing all our Good Fridays
to Easter mornings;
through the power of your love
and our risen Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

God of grace

you hear our prayer.

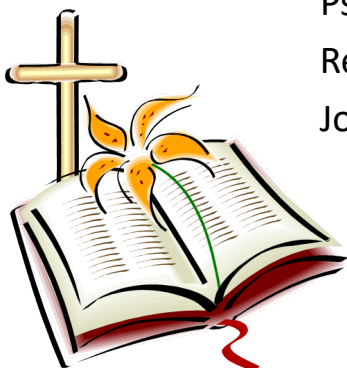
Next Week's Readings

Acts 5.27-32

Psalms 118.14-29

Revelation 1.4-8

John 20.19-31



Prayer Focus

We pray:

- * For a deep knowing that love is stronger than death.
- * For the family of Craig Jones and Pat Rhodes at their recent deaths.
- * For those who are sick, especially Olga Holloway, Wendy Spragg, Judy, Ashley Legat and others known to us.
- * For peaceful transition in the Sudan.
- * For St Peter's preschool, especially that the builders will be kept safe.
- * For Nicole & Christopher Alcock, members of our parish being baptised in Hastings today.

