

Worship Details

St Peter's Church

8:00am—Holy Communion

9:30am—Holy Communion

Readings: Deuteronomy 30.15-20
Psalm 1
Philemon 8-17
Luke 14.25-33

Sentence

Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. (Luke 14.27)

Collect

God of the narrow way,
the path twists and turns and the going is tough:
clothe us with courage for the journey,
equip us with perseverance,
sustain us with your grace
till at journey's end
we find in you our lasting home;
now and forever. Amen.

To mark Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori:

E te Atua ara whaiti, ka huri te ara, he uaua te haere: tautoko mai ma taau manaakitanga a tae noa ki te mutunga o te haerenga ka kitea e matou i roto ia koe, to matou kaainga mau tonu inaiane me ake ake. Amene.

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

For your love and goodness
we give you thanks, O Lord.

Next Week's Readings

Exodus 32.7-14

Psalm 1

1 Timothy 1.12-17

Luke 15.1-10



Prayer Focus

* We continue to pray for our Archdeaconry, this week for Avonhead especially for their new Vicar Michael.

* For the staff and students at St Peter's preschool, for it to be a place of joy and love.

* For Craig's friends and family, that they would find peace through his recent death. Craig was a well loved father, husband and son in law.

* For the many decisions from Synod to bless our community.

* We pray for our elected MPs as they debate difficult matters.

* For those who are sick, especially Wendy Spragg, Judy, Ashley, Margaret, Sheila, Grace, Wendy, Suzanne; pray too for any others we know.



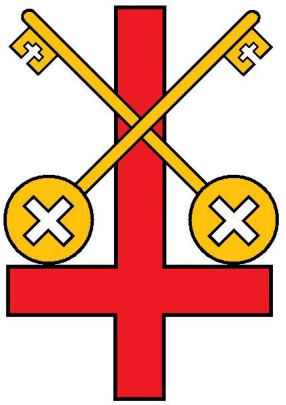
Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

Theme of the Year: Passing The Baton

**St Peter's
&
St Luke's**

**08 Sep 2019
Ordinary Sunday 23**



Gross Domestic Prophet

This week the Church does something remarkable. I refer to synod. Our Church is Bishop lead and synodically governed. What this means is that the Bishop's power is limited, nor are we a total democracy without any leadership. We probably have friends who go to churches where the bishop is like a little dictator, or alternatively where everything is decided by vote. Synods have been held since the earliest days of the church; what makes ours remarkable is the way we gather in 3 houses. Bishop, clergy and lay. This system was pioneered in New Zealand by Bishop Selwyn and has spread to the entire world! It means we work in partnership. In other words we need each other. Nor are we a congregational church where everything can be decided at the local parish level.

It would be easy to take this our synod system for granted, saying, "it's just another meeting." In reality many of our forbears worked very hard to make what we enjoy today, become a reality. Please pray for synod for your representatives, Jessica Lee, Paul Coleman and Sue Robb. Please pray for the clergy attending and for Corin Murfitt who represents Church property trustees. We need each other, across the Diocese and we need to be grateful that we can gather in freedom as a synod.

~ Nick



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News in the Parish

PLANT SALE!

Sowing Vegetable Seeds for the Plant Sale

After both services today, seeds, potting mix, containers and instructions will be available for parishioners to take home and sow for the October Sale. We hope that lots of parishioners will lend a hand. Raising seedlings is not difficult and can be fun! Please help each year, the Plant Sale raises a lot of money from the wide range of vegetables we sell.

~ The Plant Committee

Emergency Whistle



One long Blast Signals Emergency Evacuation. Proceed to the Emergency Exit / Assembly Point behind the Lychgate on path towards the church.

~Heather

Christmas Shoe Boxes Arrived

Our annual supply of Children's Christmas Shoeboxes have arrived! Please take a shoebox (or 2) and fill it with some little things that could bring a child delight this Christmas. It does not need to be anything expensive - the "1,2,3 Dollar" shops are fantastic for these projects!

For more information, please see Irene Coman.

~ Kofe

Upcoming Events:

14 Sep - Parish Breakfast
19 Oct - Plant Sale
20 Oct - Kofe's Ordination
02 Nov - Garage Sale



Soil Conditioner (leaf mould) and Chips

ALMOST unlimited quantities of both soil conditioner (leaf mould) and chips (mulch) are available. Bags for \$1.00 each, and trailer loads (delivered) at \$20.00 each. Proceeds to Church restoration. Phone Dennys 357 4204 to pre-order for Friday pickup.

~ Dennys

Merge of the Parish & Preschool Office

From 2nd September (Monday), the Parish office merged with the Preschool office. All parish enquiries should be directed to Shyuan who is working in the pre-school itself.



Parish-wide Breakfast

A full **Parish Breakfast** will be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday 14 September at 8.30am. Cost \$10. Please let us know by Wednesday 11 September by signing the form in the hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

~ Jo & Bobby

Restoration Fund Raising

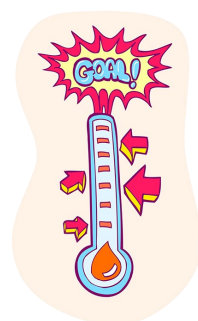
In the coming weeks, Joy & Sheena Kochakkan, together with Heather Caspersen will be organising an Indian meal with entertainment, after the 9.30am service. This is a fundraising project with monies going towards our Church Restoration. Watch this space for further details!

~ Kofe

welcome



A warm welcome to our Assistant Administrator, Lesly Grefe. She will be sharing some administration with Shyuan while backing up the teachers at the same time.



Petersgate News

The Petersgate Counselling Centre Trust Board has an opportunity for a Volunteer Minute Secretary to take Minutes at its meetings. Details on the noticeboard.

News Beyond the Parish

Family Friendly Garage Sale at St. Nicholas Church, 231 Barrington St (corner of Frankleigh St) on Saturday 14 September 9.00 am to noon.

New Zealanders Standing Together for Syrians Alarming the past few months has seen increasing violence and human rights violations in Idlib, North West Syria. The eight year conflict has forced more than 400,000 people from their homes and left millions of children, women and men in need of humanitarian assistance.

Together we are calling for the New Zealand government to resume financial support for humanitarian aid, and speak out against human rights violations currently taking place inside Syria.

You can add your own voice to the call and sign the petition. Enquiries to the parish office.



Mission Focus from Irene Coman

Our Mission table today is for Jonathan & Tess Hicks on the island of Malaita, Solomon Islands. Jonathan is a lecturer in Theology including courses on Old & New Testaments, Hebrew & Greek. Tess is involved in a women's programme at the Seminary. She teaches nutrition & cooking.



This Week's Diary

Monday 09 Sep

Walking Group—1:30pm, Riccarton Domain

Tuesday 10 Sep

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

Staff Meeting—9:00am, York Room

Exercise Class—9:30am, Parish Hall

Homestead Ilam Service—11am

Mainly Music—11am, Parish Hall

Create with Fibre—1pm, York Room

Mayfair Life Care Service—3pm

Wednesday 11 Sep

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

AAW Communion Service—10am, Parish Hall

Thursday 12 Sep

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

Walking Group—9:30am, St James Park

Coffee & Chat—10am, York Room

Choir Practice—7:30pm, Parish Hall

Friday 13 Sep

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

A-Team—9am, by the hall

Conversation English Class—4pm, Bowden Hall

Family Orchestra—6pm, Bowden Hall

Youth Group—7pm, Bowden Hall

Saturday 14 Sep

Card Making -- 10am, Bowden Hall

