

Worship Details

St Peter's Church

8:00am—Holy Communion

9:30am—Holy Communion

Readings: Amos 6.1a, 4-7
Psalm 100
1 Timothy 6.6-19
Luke 16.19-31

Sentence

We are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous and ready to share. (cf 1 Timothy 6.18)

Collect

O God, our commonwealth,
you are building a reign of justice and peace:
grant us so to catch a vision of your reign
that we gladly share with others
from the abundance we have received;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Next Week's Readings:

Habbakuk 1.1-4; 2.1-4
Psalm 122
2 Timothy 1.1-14
Luke 17.5-10



Prayer Focus

*We continue to pray for our Archdeacons and neighbouring parishes.

*Pray for John as he is inducted as Seafarers' Chaplain later today; may God's grace surround him as he ministers to those on our oceans

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

*For those who are sick, especially Ashley, Margaret, Grace, Wendy, Suzanne, Meg; pray too for those who have lost loved ones recently, especially Ann Taane and her family as they mourn the recent death of her mother.

*Pray for our youth and young adults, giving thanks for their presence amongst us; pray for leadership within their groups and warm fellowship.

*Pray for those who are house-bound or who reside in rest-homes; pray that they can find companionship and encouragement in those around them. Pray for those who take Communion out to these people, and those who visit them pastorally.

*Pray for continuing support in our fundraising for the restoration of our church building.

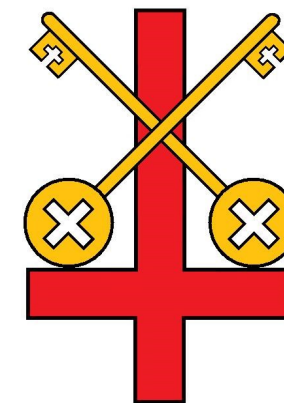
Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

Theme of the Year: Passing The Baton

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

**29 Sep 2019
Ordinary Sunday 26**



The Bible of Blessing

I feel a bit sorry for the Bible. Often when it is quoted it is used to harm or condemn, or it is used by new atheists to belittle those whose faith is inspired by it.

Sadly, even in churches, it is too often used as a rule book of 'shoulds', 'must does' and 'have tos'.

It is no wonder the Bible is viewed negatively by secular society. Yet Jesus says. *'The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life'* (John 6:63), or as another translation puts it, *'Every word I've spoken to you is a Spirit-word, and so it is life-making.'*

Here is the key to understanding what God says to us through the scriptures - God speaks to us words of life.

When we are reading a passage or listening to the scriptures in church, we can ask ourselves this simple question:

'What is life-giving for me in these words?'

The answer will be a word of grace that enables us in 'life-making.'

- John



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News in the Parish



Celtic Psalm Evening

A big thank you to John for arranging the Celtic Psalm service last Friday. It was a wonderful experience thoroughly enjoyed by the good number who attended. The accomplished Family Orchestra excelled themselves playing music they obviously enjoy. Margot Holcroft & Alice Bates ably led the singing assisted by John. It was a very memorable service.

- Corin & Jo

St Peters AAW

Our meeting on Wed 2nd Oct begins at 10am with Holy Communion. Morning tea will be followed by our "Stir Up Wednesday" when we will make our own Christmas cake. There will be no raffle or sales table.

- Barbara Fleming

Preschool Closed This Week

The preschool will be closed for the first week of school holidays 30 Sep-04 Oct. It will reopen on 07 Oct. The Parish Office will still be open though in the new office at the preschool from 9am-12pm, Monday to Friday.



Parish Pray-er Group

A small group of parishioners have gathered, wanting to pray over the parish and diocese, together with other current issues. I will email out a weekly list of needs to the group who will hold the issues in prayer for that week. If you have any particular needs, let me know.

- Kofe

A Taste Of India - Revathi Performing Arts Group

Sunday, 6th Oct at 12:30pm in the Main Hall. Please book and pay for your seat or takeaway option at the Parish Office no later than Wednesday 2nd October for catering requirements. Butter Chicken meal, dessert and entertainment \$20 only! Takeaway option \$10.

-Heather



From the Restoration Fundraising Committee

Although we have not reported regularly of late, the work continues towards our target and we are now pleased to record that our outstanding balance is under \$330,000. This is still a significant figure of course but it is coming down and with everyone's help and generosity it will be achievable before the final construction payments are due later next year. Do plan ahead to attend another fundraising High Tea on Sunday December 1st, followed by our next quiz night on Friday 6th. A number of excellent prizes have been donated for our Monster Christmas Raffle but we would love to receive further items to make it really worthwhile. Thanks for all you are doing.

- David Winfield (Convenor)

Upcoming Events:

06 Oct - A Taste of India
19 Oct - Plant Sale
20 Oct - Kofe's Ordination
27 Oct - Family Church
02 Nov - Garage Sale
03 Nov - St. Luke's Patronal Festival
17 Nov - "Bring a Friend" Sunday



Petersgate News

Find Petersgate updates on the notice board in the hall.

News Beyond the Parish

Feast of St. Michael and All Angels:

A Solemn Festival Mass at 7pm TODAY Sunday, 29 Sep. See notice board for details. For enquiries ring: 3795236

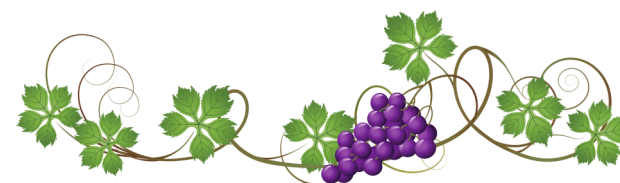
The Women and The Windows:

Thursday 10 October at 11.00 am at Rose Historic Chapel - 866 Colombo Street.
Hear the story of the chapel that was inspired by women, and built by women for women.

In association with the Rose Historic Chapel Trust and the Becca Christchurch Heritage Festival 2019

A Wrongful Conviction Day:

A free event hosted by Justice For All inc. on 13th October 2019 at Tūranga Public Library in Christchurch. See church notice board for more information. All are welcome to come!



Mission Focus from Irene Coman

Our Mission table next week is for Anglican Missions Spring Appeal. The appeal is supporting two NZCMS Mission Partner families. Both are fairly new Mission Partners having begun their roles in 2018.



This Week's Diary

Sunday 29 Sep

Healing Service—11am, Bowden Hall
Sea Sunday and John's Induction as Seafarers' Chaplain — 4pm, St Saviours at Holy Trinity - Lyttelton

Monday 30 Sep

Walking Group—1:30pm, Fendalton Park

Tuesday 01 Oct

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room
Staff Meeting—9:30am, York Room
Exercise Class—9:30am, Parish Hall
Parkstone Care Service—10am
Oaks Lifestyle Care Service—11:15am
Create with Fibre—1pm, York Room

Wednesday 02 Oct

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room
AAW Service --10am, Parish Hall
Ilam Retirement Service —1:30pm

Thursday 03 Oct

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room
Walking Group—9:30am, Jellie Park (Greers Rd)
Coffee & Chat—10am, York Room
Care Bears—7pm, York Room
Choir Practice—7:30pm, Parish Hall

Friday 04 Oct

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room
A-Team— 9am, by the hall
Middlepark Rest Home Service—11:15am
Family Orchestra -- 6pm, Bowden Hall

Sunday 06 Sep

A Taste of India —12:30pm, Parish Hall

