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to the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst
The Year of
Integration, Restoration and Education

St Peter's & St Luke's

O9 August 2020 Ordinary Sunday 18



Finding Nemo

I have never seen waves like it. The journey was meant to be a lovely family holiday, but the ferry was lifted and thrown down like a toy by the crossing to Steward Island. I will spare you the details but not many of us had full stomachs by the end of that trip!



The waters are stormy for the disciples on the lake. They see Jesus walking on water and call out to him to save them. Imagine the surprise when he calls to Peter to come and join him and walk on water too!

I find today's Gospel both a comfort and a challenge. It's a challenge to be called by Jesus. To be called to step out of what is comfortable and safe and to venture with Jesus is both dangerous and foolhardy. Who can blame Peter for losing his nerve?

But it is a comfort to know that we can follow Him as long as we are prepared to put our hand in his. When we keep our eyes fixed on him the storms around us seem to ease and He leads us to calm waters.

How is Jesus calling you to step out in faith? What does it mean to put your hand in His?

~ Nick

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Worship Details

St Peter's Church

8:00am—Holy Communion 9:30am—Holy Communion 11am—Family Church

Readings: Genesis 37.1-4, 12-28

Psalm 150

Romans 10.5-15 Matthew 14.22-33

Sentence

Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught Peter, saying to him 'You of little faith, why did you doubt.' (cf Matthew 14.31)

Collect

Let us pray to place our hand in yours:

Faithful God,
through the Red Sea waters
you guided your people:
when deep waters threaten to close in on
every side,

help us to trust the strength of your outstretched hand,

that we might walk on dry land; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Versicle and Response for Intercessions For your love and goodness we give you thanks, O God.

Next Sunday's Readings:

Genesis 45.1-15 Psalm 133 Romans 11.1-a2a, 29-32 Matthew 15.21-28



Prayer Focus

*For the sick, especially Audrey A, Janet A, Tony A, Ian & Margaret B, Elizabeth C, Marilyn D, Helen E, John C, Beryl R and others on our minds.

*For a Mission Table coordinator

*For the preschool: Full license application, and Ministry of Education visit on 11th Aug.

*For HOKITIKA

Priest and Team Leader: The Rev'd Vivien Harber

The Ministry Support Team

Priest: The Rev'd Vivien Simkin (David)

Local Shared Ministry Deacon: Rev'd Frances Stapleton (Doug) Workplace Support

Director: Mr Brent Andrews (Jane)



Gratitude Sunday

I wanted to acknowledge all those who worked hard to make gratitude Sunday a wonderful occasion. The morning tea people, the gifts of food, the inviters, the music makers, the people who stepped up on the day, the preschool, the children, the list goes on. The lovely gift of fellowship from Victory church, (flowers and a scroll of blessing.) I am of course very grateful! ~ Nick

Marriage Growth

I am offering a marriage course for all those who are married or about to be married. The course covers communication, conflict, commitment, connection and adventure. Across 5 sessions you will not be put on spot but will grow together as a couple. ~ Nick

News in the Parish

St Peter's Security

After burglaries and attempted burglaries around the parish buildings, we now have 4 cameras installed! The system is of a commercial quality and more cameras can be added if and when required. We are also looking at some form of camera to cover the church exterior subject to CPT approval. We have a separate quote for this if anyone wishes to contribute to this future project please contact: Heather (0297798800 or 9428226)

~ Heather Caspersen

AGM Meeting

Our AGM is 30 AUG! NOW is the time to invite people to stand as vestry or people's warden. Find the sign up sheets on the table in the Parish to nominate people for vestry, people's warden and treasurer. Make sure both you and the person you nominate sign for consent purposes. ~ The office

Young Adults

Our **Youth Alpha** series, which was interrupted by COVID-19, will resume TODAY, Aug 9th at 4:30pm in the parish hall. All young



adults are welcome to join us as we continue to explore life's meaning

through Scripture.

A lovely meal is included and great fellowship is to be enjoyed by all, around a video-led session. If you're keen to join us for 3 – 4 weeks, let Rev Kofe know! Please hold all our younger people in prayer. ~ Kofe

Parish Lunch

Thanks to all those who have signified that we can hold your lunch reservation until the later date (probably in Oct or Nov).

If anyone requires a refund, please ask Jo (3228723) and I'll arrange for it to happen as soon as possible. ~ Jo

Restoration Fundraising

It is so good to be able to peek through the fence and observe the progress being made on St. Peter's, particularly the new entrance and vestibule - it's going to be a wonderful addition to the building. But equally encouraging are your ongoing donations which are still very much needed. The blocks and stones and living bequests continue to provide helpful means of providing financial support and we continue to research major trusts and charities that may be generous to the cause. In a post-COVID world of course these are not as readily available as before. We hope you havé marked your calendars with the upcoming events - Book Sale 11-12 September and next quiz night on the 18th September. The Parish Lunch will be rescheduled later in the year and the Fashion Parade unfortunately postponed until 2021.

~ *David Winfield* (Convenor)

Spring Gateway

The cutoff for articles to be sent in for Spring Gateway is **THIS Wednesday**, **12**th **August.** Please email: **heatherandgraeme.cox@xtra.co.nz** for submission. ~ *Heather Cox*

Plant Sale

In preparing for the Plant Sale on 10 Oct, we are hosting a demonstration where some of our expert gardeners are going to share and demonstrate their knowledge. It is still not too late to pot plants for sale and a lot of potting mix is available. This is a chance to learn more about gardening and we hope to grow our number of people who can contribute to this annual event. If you have any more plastic pots we can use or know where we can source more, please let me know. After the talk, afternoon tea will be served. **Where:** 17 Brackendale Place **When:** TODAY, 9th August, 2.00-3.30pm.

News Beyond the Parish

Board available near UC?

A lady named Carol Morris is wanting to move to Christchurch late Aug early Sept 2020, to study at UC, and settle in before summer school. She is in need of board, and can afford up to \$225.00 pw, including food and expenses. She is happy to help with chores and babysitting if required.

Vicar Nigel Dixon is happy to be her referee as she has organized the three libraries at All Saints and attends services there. She has worked in libraries and with children mostly.

Please feel free to contact the office and we can get more details if interested in helping her.

PRE-SYNOD MEETINGS

August 11-14 2020 (ALL ARE WELCOME)

| Date | Time | Venue |
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| Tue 11 Aug | 5:30-6:00 pm Refreshments 6:00-8:00 pm Meeting | St Peters Church Hall, 192 King St, Temuka |
| Wed 12 Aug | 7:00-9:00pm | St Christopher's Church, 244 Avonhead Road, Christchurch |
| Thu 11 Aug | 7:00-9:00pm | Holy innocents Church Hall, 7 Church Street, Amberley |
| Fri 14 Aug | 10:00am-12:00pm | Zoom meeting- 91076823286 This meeting is primarily for West Coast Synod Rep- resentatives but is open to anyone. |



This Week's Diary

Sunday 09 Aug

Young Adults — 4:30pm, Parish Hall

Monday 10 Aug

Walking Group — 1:30pm, Riccarton Domain

Tuesday 11 Aug

Morning Prayer —9am, York Room Staff Meeting —9:30am, York Room Exercise Class — 9:30am, Parish Hall Homestead Ilam Service — 11am Mainly Music — 11am, Parish Hall Mayfair Life Service — 3pm

Wednesday 12 Aug

Morning Prayer —9am, York Room Wed Service —10am, Parish Hall

Thursday 13 Aug

Morning Prayer — 9am, York Room Walking Group — 9:30am, St James Park

Coffee and Chat — 10am, York Room St Peters Choir — 7:30pm, Parish Hall Night Prayer — 7:30pm, Bowden Hall

Friday 14 Aug

Morning Prayer —9am, York Room
A-Team—9am, by the hall
9-11am, Garage Sale Shed open
English Conversation Class —4pm,

Bowden Hall

