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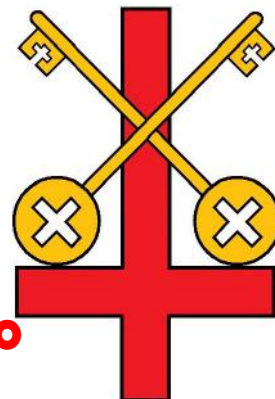
to the Anglican Parish of  
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

The Year of

Integration, Restoration and Education

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

**8th November 2020  
Ordinary Sunday 32**



In 3 weeks' time, the Church enters its Advent Season when Christians go into spiritual preparation for the coming of our Lord Jesus at Christmas.

Today's Gospel parable points us to that period of preparation and anticipation when it talks about the wise virgins and the unwise virgins awaiting the arrival of the bridegroom. It is a good time, in the busyness of our lives, for us to step back and take stock of exactly where we are and where we are heading: as a Church and as individuals.

Over the last year, the Church has been challenged in an unprecedented way by the outbreak of COVID-19. Members of the Church family have had to endure isolation and social distancing: unnatural habits that have indeed taken some time to adjust to. Yet here we are, in the 11th month of the year. Our NZ Elections have come and gone; the U.S Elections have somehow passed; our new norm of COVID awareness has filtered into our lives. God prepared His world for all of these situations. He challenges us now, to prepare ourselves for what is to come – His Coming!

So as we draw nearer to the re-opening date of our church building and the excitement of all the planned festivities begins to surround us, let us remember that the approaching Advent season is a time to pause, reflect and pray for ourselves and each other as we continue to hold hands and journey together towards Christmas, and that great day when our Saviour will return!

*~Kofe*

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## News in the Parish

### Welcomers

Thank you to the those who welcome us each Sunday. Please remember to count the number present. Remembering to include the choir, children, those in the sanctuary and those that come in by another door, ie. everyone! And give the number to the celebrant after service.

~ Nick

### Carpark Speed Limit

Reminder to please make sure you are obeying the 10k speed limit in the church carpark. ~ Heather Caspersen

### Parish Retreat

Disappointingly the Parish Retreat scheduled for next weekend has been cancelled. ~ Nick

### Rebuild Infomation

Mark your diary! 11am Sunday **6<sup>th</sup> December 2020**, Suzanne Price, Manager CPT Recovery, and Project Manager of our church rebuild, will speak to us about the project. ~ Corin

### Church Opening

Mark your diary again! Vestry has decided that the official opening of our reinstated church of St Peter will be held on the **28<sup>th</sup> February 2021**. The morning service, attended by Bishop Peter, will be followed by a buffet dinner at Riccarton Park, Racecourse Rd, late that afternoon/early evening. If you would like to be part of a small team organising the social aspect of this day contact Corin - 3488625 or 021 345 804.

~ Corin

### Church Opening Service

Rev'd Nick invites those that are wanting to help and plan our opening service in restored church as well.

### Summer Gateway

Articles for inclusion in the upcoming Summer 2020 Gateway magazine need to be sent in by Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> November. Email to:

**heatherandgraeme.cox@xtra.co.nz**  
for submission. ~ Heather Cox

### Rev Kofe's Farewell & Christmas

29<sup>th</sup> Nov, 9:30am, Christmas play by preschool children, farewell to Kofe, parish picnic on the vicarage lawn, 3pm St Augustine's Kofe's Induction service.

### Hand Sanitising

A reminder to those serving communion to sterilise your hands immediately after the 'Peace' with the fluid on the offertory table. ~ Nick

### Parish Giving Envelopes

During the COVID -19 period a number of parishioners started to use internet banking instead of envelopes. To ensure that everyone who wants to continue using offertory envelopes does receive them, Edwin has provided a list of the envelope numbers that he will be preparing this year. If your number is not on this list then please contact Edwin Boyce 0272927042. Likewise if your number is on the list and you no longer wish to receive envelopes then please also let Edwin know. Please do this by 8<sup>th</sup> November.

The numbers are:

**6, 10, 20, 24, 31, 44, 49, 52, 61, 66, 70, 80, 94, 95, 96, 109, 139, 146, 153, 163, and 319.** ~ Nick

### Restoration Fundraising

Firstly a big thank-you for donations towards Living Stones and Blocks that continue to arrive. But please note some coming events:

- 1) Sale of Christmas decorations provided by Edwin and Essie Boyce: **19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> November** with an event on the Friday evening featuring music, readings and drama
- 2) Christmas quiz Night : **4<sup>th</sup> Dec**
- 3) Another grand Christmas raffle.

For these latter two we would appreciate donations of quality new items as prizes, or monetary gifts that can be used to purchase good prizes. Goods for a hamper will be accepted closer to the time. Many thanks.

~ David Winfield



## **News Beyond the Parish**



## **This Week's Diary**

### **cecilian singers concert**

Ron Bull Studio, Town Hall  
Sunday, November 8th 5pm  
Includes music by Mendelssohn,  
Orban and Carrillo.  
Door sales are \$20.

### **Induction of the Rev'd Kofe Havea as Vicar of the Parish of Cashmere**



**When:** Sunday, 29th November  
2020

**Where:** St Augustine's Church  
Cashmere - 5 Cracroft Terrace  
Christchurch

**Time:** 3:00pm



### **Mission Focus**

*Anne and Anthony Social Work and  
Patient Recovery Cambodia*

The Mission Table held last Sunday raised \$210-40 for Anne and Anthony McCormick's Cambodian mission. Many thanks to everyone who supported the Table by donating goods and making purchases, and also to those who helped set up and serve customers.

~ Jill Lyall

Monday 09 Nov

**Walking Group**—1:30pm, Riccarton  
Domain

Tuesday 10 Nov

**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 11 Nov

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

Thursday 12 Nov

**Morning Prayer** —9am, York Room  
**Walking Group**—9:30am, Jellie Park  
**Coffee & Chat**—10am, York Room  
**St Peter's Choir** —7:30pm, Parish Hall  
**Night Prayer** — 7:30pm, York Room

Friday 13 Nov

**Canterbury Anniversary Day** -- Preschool  
and Parish office closed



### **ORGAN RECITAL**

**FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

ORGANIST

**JEREMY WOODSIDE**

ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH  
PAPANUI

SUNDAY 15 NOVEMBER @ 3PM

Admission: Door Sales \$10 each.



## Worship Details

### St Peter's Church

8:00am—Holy Communion

9:30am—Holy Communion

11am—Family Church

**Readings:** Joshua 24.1-3a, 14-25  
Psalm 78.1-7  
1 Thessalonians 4.13-18  
Matthew 25.1-13

### Sentence

Keep awake, for you do not know either the day or the hour. (cf Matthew 25.13)

### Collect

Let us pray to stand ready:

Bridegroom of heaven,  
you come when we least expect:  
keep us from foolishness,  
save us from distraction,  
that we may stand with our lamps lit,  
ready for your return;  
now and forever. **Amen.**

### Versicle and Response for Intercessions

Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

### Next Sunday's Readings:

Judges 4.1-7  
Psalm 123  
1 Thessalonians 5.1-11  
Matthew 25.14-30



## Prayer Focus

\* For the sick, especially Geraldine T, Ayla & Boden H, Eva L, John & Elizabeth C, Jade H, Janet A, Helen E, Val R, Wendy W, and others on our minds.

\* For RANGIORA

Vicar: The Rev'd Toby Behan (Prue)

The Rev'd Graeme Pratley (Susan)

The Rev'd Peter Akester

The Rev'd Tina Thorpe (Alan)

The Rev'd Lynnette Lightfoot (Alistair)

\* For RAKAIA

Co Clergy In Charge: The Rev'ds Michael and Mary-Jo Holdaway

The Diocese of Waiapu: The Rt Rev'd Andrew Hedge (Raewyn)

\* Pray for our parish over the coming months; pray for God's empowerment over staff & clergy; pray that we find people willing to work with Nick in leading this Church Corner family into 2021.

