Welcome HELLO CKia Ora ni hão

to the Anglican Parish of Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

St Peter's & St Luke's



24th January 2021 Epiphany 3

Welcome to 2021

I would like to begin by saying how much I have appreciated how welcoming the people of St Peter's and St Luke's have been in such a busy season. I hope for everyone that the stress of Christmas time did not detract from the joy of celebrating the birth of Our Lord Jesus, and that you found yourselves in a place where love dwells and the love of Christ refreshed you.



And so the busyness continues with the preparations for the opening of the restored church. This will be a time of hard work, but I hope we can keep the sense of excitement and joy. I enjoyed learning the first hymn last Sunday which speaks of a house where love can dwell and all feel safe; a house of visions and faith and we can dream of God's reign. We are welcome in this place; I pray that it will be known as a place where all are welcome.

For those who have returned to work after the Christmas break – I hope you have returned relaxed and ready to face the work routines again. As school and tertiary study reopen, I wish returning students well in your endeavours and pray that your year is less interrupted than the last. For those excited about starting new schools, new study paths or even new work experiences – I pray that you can keep that sense of excitement, know that God is walking alongside you in your transition, and for those who find the prospect of new beginnings daunting I pray that you may find the support you need in God's people around you.

Do not worry about the year before you: The Holy One is among us; we have what we need to bring peace within ourselves and face the world. us; we have what we need to bring peace within ourselves and face the world. In Christ's name I pray these things.

~ Margaret

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Worship Details

St Peter's Church

8:00am—Holy Communion 9:30am—Holy Communion

Readings: 2 Jonah 3.1-5, 10

Psalm 62.5-12

1 Corinthians 7.29-31

Mark 1.14-20

Sentence

Jesus said to them 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' (Mark 1.17)

Collect

Let us pray to fish for people

Start again God: grant us the skill to cast our nets so wide that the whole world is caught with your love and brought to your eternal reign; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. **Amen.**

Versicle and Response for IntercessionsLord of glory **hear our prayer**

Next Sunday's Readings:

Deuteronomy 18.15-20 Psalm 111 1 Corinthians 8.1-13 Mark 1.21-28



Prayer Focus

- * For the sick, especially Beverley P, Anne S, Geraldine T, Eva L, John & Elizabeth C, Jade H, Helen E, Val R, Wendy W, and others on our minds.
- * For Ravil Atlas who has begun his new role with us as temporary Choir Director.
- * For David and Jo Winfield's parents who are being interred to the Garden of Remembrance today: Brenda and Bernard Winfield.
- * For people receiving exam results.











News in the Parish



St Peter's Working Bee

There will be a St. Peter's Working Bee coming up soon once I organise it.

~ Nick

Opening Service and Celebration Buffet Dinner

The time is getting closer and closer to the opening of St Peter's restored church. Please ring or email the office to reserve tickets for the buffet dinner. Sit-down dinner is on February 28th at Riccarton Racecourse at 5 for 5.30pm. The cost will be \$40 a head for the evening. There will be a cash bar open. Make sure to settle payment at the office to receive your ticket(s). We can take either EFTPOS or cash. ~ The office

Vestry Meeting

The next meeting is on Wednesday, 27th Jan. Make sure to send your reports in for circulation.

Wednesday Services

Wednesday Services start back up on Wed, 27th Jan.

Musicians Wanted

Those interested in helping play an instrument for the St Peter's opening service, please come to family orchestra practice on Friday, 29th January in the Bowden Hall from 6pm - 7pm or get in touch with Ethan. We need all the help for such a special day! ~ Ethan

Garden Shed and Pots

Many thanks to all those people who have dropped off pots. However at this stage we don't have any more storage room for the bigger pots although small pots would be appreciated. ~ Fiona

Opening Service Evensong



When: 3pm Sunday 28th February, 2021

Where: St Peter's Church Worship Leader: Rev'd Margaret Neate

Choir: Conspiro

Cantor: Rev'd David Winfield Preacher: Ven Nick Mountfort

"Conspiro" -a choir of friends- have recently sung Evensong at Wellington and Christchurch Transitional Cathedrals as well as performing at Te Papa. They give regular recitals at Oxford Terrace Baptist church and sing at St Michael's every fifth Sunday evening including Mr Paul Ellis MNZM. The choristers include our own Alice Bates and Gareth Murfitt. This service will end in plenty of time to attend the dinner at Riccarton Park. For those who enjoy the traditional Evensong this will be an excellent service. Retiring koha for St Peter's rebuild.

~ Corin

Restoration Fundraising

Five weeks to go and counting down. Various last-minute tasks remain before we re-enter St. Peter's, one of which is preparing a board which will go on the wall showing the names of those who have donated through our Stones and Blocks scheme, Living Bequests, and major gifts. Those who have participated in any of these programmes might like to check that their name is recorded correctly by viewing the list at the church door. Also if you can provide first names for any that we only have initials for that would be appreciated.

To anyone who has left their gift until the last minute it's not too late to be acknowledged but you will need to do so pretty promptly as we will be taking details to the sign writer very soon. Please speak to one of the committee members or use the online donation facility on the parish website (www.stpeterschurch.nz). ~ David W

News Beyond the Parish



FAMILY BIG DAY OUT

\$5 PER PERSON

JOIN US FOR A FUN FAMILY DAY OUT WITH ACTIVITIES, PRIZES, MUSIC AND FUN!

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Mission Focus

February Mission Table

The first Mission Table for 2021 will be held on Sunday Feb. 7th.

All saleable items are very welcome - e.g. baking, preserves, sweets, jam, knitted articles and other crafts, plants, and garden produce etc. Please bring cash, as regretfully, IOU's are unable to be accepted.

This Mission table is supporting St. Andrews High School, in Tonga, and Rachel and Simon Tipping will be in Church on the 7th to speak about their involvement with St. Andrews.

~Jill Lyall



This Week's Diary

Sunday 24 Jan

Internment of Brenda and Bernard
Winfield — Garden of Remembrance

Tuesday 26 Jan

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room Staff Meeting—9:00am, York Room Exercise Class—9:30am, Parish Hall

Wednesday 27 Jan

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room Wed Service —10am, Parish Hall Vestry Meeting—7:30pm, Murfitt's

Thursday 28 Jan

Morning Prayer — 9am, York Room Coffee & Chat—10am, Bowden Hall St Peter's Choir — 7:30pm, Parish Hall

Friday 29 Jan

Morning Prayer —9am, York Room
A-Team—9am, by the hall
9-11am, Garage Sale Shed open
Family Orchestra— 6pm, Bowden Hall

