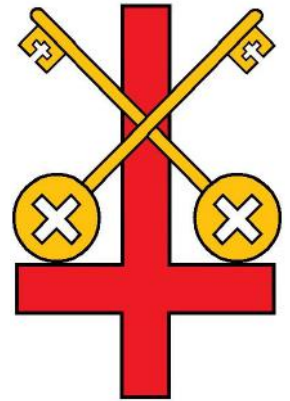


Welcome



to the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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



**14 February 2021
Ordinary Sunday 6**

I have been really touched by the generosity of so many. Notice the phrase I used "really touched." We might have heard it 100 times or maybe this is our first time, but Mark our Gospel writer for this year is very careful to record that Jesus touched the leper.



Just as we wouldn't touch someone who had COVID so people of Jesus times were very careful not to touch lepers. Whatever else Jesus did that day to heal the man with leprosy, it would have been healing for him to be touched by another human being. Jesus' compassion broke all the rules.

I have been touched that our Archbishop Philip Richardson has accepted the invitation to attend the opening of the church. I have been touched to have the Rev'd Ken Light, agreed to be priest in charge while I have sabbatical March through to June. I have been touched by all those who are working hard to ready us for the 28th.

Next Sunday I want us to give thanks for the worship life we have enjoyed in the hall. It's important to stop and reflect on the last decade and all the blessings of our time together in the hall. Then at the conclusion of the 9:30am service, I invite us each to carry some of what we need to worship in the church. This will give you a chance to see inside the church too! Like me you will be very touched.

~ Nick

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News in the Parish

Visiting the Rebuilt Church

As tempting as it may be, please no one is to enter the rebuilt church owing to health and safety concerns because it is still a building site. Higgs are liable for any injuries that occur.

~ *Corin*

Reserved for Regulars

At the opening service, every second row will be reserved for regular St Peter's and St Luke's church goers until 9:45am.

~ *Nick*

Spectacle Collection Pause

Thank you for supporting the spectacle collection. I am sure that sometime in the future, we will once again be able to support this worthy cause – watch this space.

~ *Leigh C*

Restoration Fundraising

Two 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. This has now gone to the signwriter and will be placed on the back wall of the church beside the door to the choir room.

Thank you to those who have made recent donations. We will provide a statement of our achievement and our remaining shortfall soon. Suffice it to say we still need further income and would remind everyone of the online donation facility on the parish website (www.stpeterschurch.nz).

~ *David W*

Exercise Group - Restoration Funds

Over the past five years, the exercise group raised almost \$10,000 towards the Restoration of St Peter's Church. Previously we raised money for the Ramp/Canopy. When the group began 27 years ago, money went to Anglican Missions. We have decided Missions will be the recipient of money raised in future; returning to what the group was set up for. Amounts vary from week to week, usually between \$30-\$50+, dependant on the number attending, which from our \$3 weekly fee soon amounts to a considerable sum.

~ *Margaret Mahan*

Lenten Study Books **REBUILDING** **THE RUINS**

Theology House's 2021 Lenten study **Rebuilding the Ruins**: order your copies now for just \$5 +P&P. Ash Wednesday is coming up soon! Visit Theology House online to order your books, or ring 03 341 3399.

Lenten Study Groups

There will be two Lenten Study groups. There will be one at 15, Ludecke Place (341 6340) starting on Sunday 21st February at 7.00pm with The Rev'd Margaret Neate as leader. Also one on Wed after the morning service in the PH starting on Wed 24th. Feb at 11.00am, with Leigh Craythorne as leader (342 9110).

~ *Nick*

St. Peter's Choir thanks Janet Allen

Janet has reluctantly had to resign from the choir following almost a year of health issues. This brings sad news to the choir to which she has belonged for over 23 years - we shall all miss her very much indeed and thank her most sincerely for her faithful service. She assures us, though, that she and Graham will still come to church when they can and we look forward to seeing them then.

~ *In appreciation, The Choir*

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. There are still quite a few people who have not yet settled payment at the office to receive your ticket(s). We can take either EFTPOS or cash.

~ *The office*



News Beyond the Parish



Register at: www.anglicanchildren.com

FAMILY BIG DAY OUT

\$5 PER PERSON

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

SAT 20 FEB
Waipara Adventure Centre
CHCH Anglican Diocese

EQ Memorial Service



From 5pm - 6pm

An Earthquake Memorial Evensong on Sunday,
February 21, 2021

Christchurch Transitional Cathedral
234 Hereford Street

Mission Focus

February Mission Table

A very successful Mission Table supporting St. Andrews High School in Tonga was held last Sunday. \$407-80 was raised: a wonderful effort! Thank you very much to everyone who donated and/or bought the wide range of goods on sale. The next Mission Table is on March 7th and it will be held in the newly reopened Church!
~Jill & Noeline



This Week's Diary

Sunday 14 Feb

Happy Valentine's Day!

Family Church - 11am, Bowden Hall

Monday 15 Feb

Walking Group—12noon, Birthday lunch
at Ilex Cafe

Tuesday 16 Feb

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

Staff Meeting—9:00am, York Room

Exercise Class—9:30am, Parish Hall

Maples Life Care Service —11am

Fundraising - 2pm, Murfitt's

Wednesday 17 Feb

Morning Prayer—9am, York Room

Ash Wed Service —10am & 7:30pm,
Parish Hall

Thursday 18 Feb

Morning Prayer —9am, York Room

Walking Group—9.30am, Mona Vale

Coffee & Chat—10am, York Room

Care Bears—7pm, York Room

St Peter's Choir —7:30pm, Parish Hall

Friday 19 Feb

Morning Prayer —9am, York Room

A-Team—9am, by the hall

9-11am, Garage Sale Shed open

St Alissa's Rest Home Service — 10.30am

English Conversation Class — 4pm,
Bowden Hall

Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall

Sunday 21 Feb

Last Service in the Parish Hall - Moving
worship materials from hall to church
after 9:30am service.

Worship Details

St Peter's Church

8:00am—Holy Communion

9:30am—Holy Communion

11am—Family Church

Readings: 2 Kings 5.1-14
Psalm 30
1 Corinthians 9.24-27
Mark 1.40-45

Sentence

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy. (Psalm 30.11)

Collect

Let us pray to see signs of hope

God of eternal hope,
with miracles and signs
Jesus proclaimed your reign:
help us in our day
to discover signs of hope and wonder
that, looking beyond ourselves,
we might see your kingdom coming,
on earth as in heaven;
now and forever. **Amen.**

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

God of grace

you hear our prayer

Next Sunday's Readings:

Genesis 9.8-17
Psalm 25.1-10
1 Peter 3.18-22
Mark 1.9-15

Upcoming Events:

17 Feb - Ash Wednesday: 10am & 7:30pm (palm crosses to the office please).

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 Diocesan Ministry Support Centre Governance Board: Chair: Very Rev'd Lawrence Kimberley (Elizabeth)

* For The Church Property Trustees
Chair: The Rt. Rev'd Dr Peter Carrell (Teresa)

The Trustees General Manager: Mr Gavin Holley (Andrea)

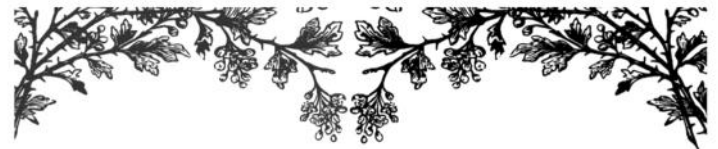
Office Manager: Mr Ross Seagar (Jo)
Accountant: Mr Ashley South (Sue)
Church Property Trustees staff

* For The Anglican Centre

Anglican Centre Manager: Mr Edwin Boyce (Essie)

Bishop's Executive Assistant: Mrs Veronica Cross (David)

Administration and Accounting Staff



Festal Evensong

Join us as we celebrate the rededication of
St Peter's Church

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

3PM

ST PETER'S UPPER RICcarton
22 MAIN SOUTH RD

With music by Conspiro

Conspiro
a choir of friends



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