

# Welcome

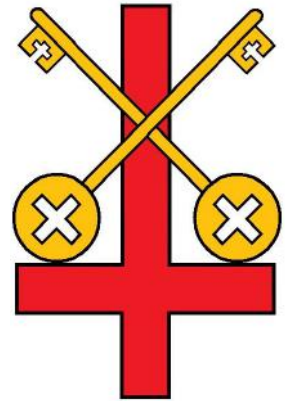
HELLO  Kia Ora 

to the Anglican Parish of  
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

**St Peter's  
&**

**St Luke's**

**04<sup>th</sup> April 2021  
Easter Sunday**



## JESUS IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

Shout it from the rooftops! This is my favourite day of the year. It holds more significance for me than Christmas, although we couldn't have Easter without Christmas. This is the Good News message at its finest. May the hope of the Risen Christ fill you with joy. May those of you who have lost loved ones know that this day reminds us we will be together again.



Can you imagine the despair of Mary, when broken-hearted she turns up at the tomb – only to find the stone rolled away. Not risen but stolen: but what transformation when the 'gardener' says her name, and her eyes are open! In Matthew's gospel the women ran from the tomb with fear and great joy. I find that very realistic – great joy – he's not dead: but fear – what does that mean?

My hope for you is that you can have a transforming encounter with Jesus this Easter: that you will know his radical forgiveness and love. Many of you already know the love, grace and mercy that comes from believing in the Easter story – go out from here this morning and show that love to the world: "Love one another as I have loved you."

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~ Rev'd Margaret

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## News in the Parish

### **AGM**

The AGM will be held on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April, 11am in the church. Nomination forms can be found at the back of the church.

### **Office Closed**

The parish office will be closed from Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April, and will reopen on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> April for Easter weekend. ~ *The office*

### **Parish/Vestry Meeting**

After church on the 11<sup>th</sup> April, Vestry would like to seek your feedback and suggestions on the 'Tasks Which Lie Ahead', as we continue to settle into the church building and routines. This will be held immediately after the 9:30am service.

### **AAW**

Our meeting on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> April begins at 10am with Holy Communion. Following morning tea our guest speaker is from Walsh House. We have had our account from the Diocese for subs so if you have not paid, \$20 in a named envelope please. ~ *Barbara Fleming*

### **Petersgate Service**

All parishioners are invited to the Parish Hall after the Petersgate service 9:30am Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> April for birthday cake and tea/coffee. This is the part of the 25<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations of Petersgate. Hon Dr. Megan Woods will give a short address. ~ *Corin*

### **Plant Sale Workshop**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2.00pm at 17 Brackendale Place we have another "Potting Up" Workshop. Our resident experts will be there to show you what to do, give advice and answer any questions. Gloves and masks will be supplied, and afternoon will be supplied afterwards. Potting mix and pots are now available from the Potting Shed. ~ *Fiona*

### **Welcomers, Server, Worship Leaders**

Please note this meeting is deferred till further notice.

~ *Ken & Margaret*

### **Associate Priest**

The Rev'd Peg Riley has accepted the Bishop's offer to be an Associate Priest in this Parish. Rev'd Peg who will begin her 0.5FTE tenure on 1<sup>st</sup> July is currently chaplain at St Margaret's - a position she has held for over 20 years. She is a bubbly person with strong pastoral skills and is very excited about joining us. Her father, Rev'd Jim Riley, was a previous Vicar of St Luke's, Manchester St. We look forward with excited anticipation to her joining our Parish family. ~ *Corin*

### **Volunteers to show off St Peter's**

In view of the wide public interest in our newly reopened church, Vestry has approved a suggestion to have St Peter's Church open to the public on set periods during the week under supervision of a team of paired volunteers who will be trained before commencing. We are looking for people prepared to take a time slot of either 10.00am-12.00noon or 12.00noon to 2.00pm on one weekday between Tuesday and Thursday. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Dennys Guild on [den44gwen45@gmail.com](mailto:den44gwen45@gmail.com) or 03 357 4204. ~ *Dennys*

**Parish Quiz Night** Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Being Mother's Day that weekend this will provide something of a theme and you are invited to make a point of inviting mothers to come along. Usual admission of \$10 a head, \$5 for school students, BYO refreshments and some extra cash for the multi-prize raffle. We do appreciate donations of items for the raffle and they can be handed in to the office at any time. This will be a fun(d)-raising evening so choose your team members (6 per team) along with a creative team name and prepare to discover just how much you really know! Further enquiries to David or Jo Winfield



## News Beyond the Parish

Petersgate Counselling Centre

### Service of Celebration

A 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY • 18 APRIL 2021 • 9.30AM

ST PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH  
CHURCH CORNER  
UPPER RICcartON  
CHRISTCHURCH



FOLLOWED BY MORNING TEA IN  
THE CHURCH HALL AT 11.00AM  
RSVP (03) 343 3391



### Mission Focus

#### April Mission Table

The next Mission Table will be held the Sunday after Easter: April 11<sup>th</sup>. The funds will go towards the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea and hospital chaplains in Christchurch.

All donations of biscuits, cakes, loaves, muffins, sweets etc, also sauces, pickles, jams and jellies, fresh fruit and vegetables, plants, and knitted items and other crafts will be very welcome.

We do appreciate you pricing all items if possible. The Mission Table is in The Atrium. Do pop in and check it out if you are not staying for a cuppa after the service! ~ Jill and Noeline



## This Week's Diary

Sunday 04 April - **Easter Sunday**  
**Holy Communion and Greening of the cross**—8am & 9:30am, Church

Monday 05 April - **Easter Monday**  
**Public Holiday - Parish Office closed**

Tuesday 06 April - **Easter Tuesday**  
**Parish Office closed**

Wednesday 07 April  
**Morning Prayer**—9am, Church  
**Wed Service** —10am, Church

Thursday 08 April  
**Morning Prayer** —9am, Church  
**Walking Group**—9.30am, Gardens  
(coffee)

**Coffee & Chat**—10am, York Room  
**St Peter's Choir** —7:30pm Church

Friday 09 April  
**Morning Prayer** — 9am, Church  
**A-Team**—9am, by the hall  
**English Conversation Class** — 4pm,  
Bowden Hall  
**Family Orchestra** — 6pm, Bowden Hall



## He Is Risen!

## Worship Details

### St Peter's Church

8am—Holy Communion

9:30am—Holy Communion

\*both services include greening of the cross

### St Luke's Church

9:30am—Holy Communion

**Readings:** Isaiah 25.6-9  
Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24  
Acts 10.34-43  
John 20. 1-18

### Sentence

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. (John 20.1)

### Collect

Let us pray that our lives are filled with joy:

O Risen Lord of life,  
the tomb is empty,  
but our hearts are filled with joy:  
fill our hearts with wonder at your rising  
that our lives are filled with purpose,  
as the church is filled with joy this Easter morning;  
through Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

### Versicle and Response for Intercessions

God of love  
**grant our prayer**

### Next Sunday's Readings:

Acts 4.32-35  
Psalm 133  
1 John 1-2.2  
John 20.19-31



## Prayer Focus

\* For the sick, especially Audrey P, Beverley P, Geraldine T, Eva L, John & Elizabeth C, Jade H, Helen E, Val R, and others on our minds.

\* For The Bishop, the Transitional Cathedral and all the Ministry Units of this Diocese



### THE RIEGER'S RETURN\*

An organ recital by international concert organist Martin Setchell

**Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm**  
**in St. Peter's Anglican Church**  
**Upper Riccarton**



\* Rieger is an Austrian company of organ builders and this instrument is one of only two in the country, the other being situated in the Christchurch Town Hall.