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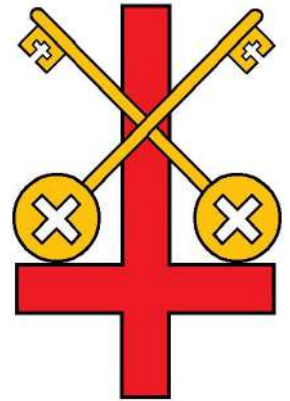
to the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

**St Peter's
&**

St Luke's

23rd May 2021

Pentecost



Wild Geese

Celtic Christians chose, not the dove, but the wild goose as a symbol representing the Holy Spirit. The ancient Celts understood the Holy Spirit to be like a wild goose. It is one noisy, bothersome bird. This image of the Holy Spirit jars us out of our complacency. It corrects our overly safe and overly sweet image of the Spirit.



When the Spirit comes in the Bible, it never seems to be sweet or safe. God's Spirit called the prophets to speak to Israel in words that were bold and sometimes dangerous. Ezekiel saw a vision of God's Spirit blowing through a valley of dry bones and bringing them to life.

John the Baptist, dressed in camel's hair and eating wild locusts, proclaimed, "I baptize you with water but he who comes after me will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire." Paul gave this advice to young Timothy, "For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline."

It was this Holy Spirit that empowered the disciples gathered in the upper room at Pentecost so that they fearlessly and boldly proclaimed the good news about Jesus. The Church was born on that day and continues to the present.

~ Ken

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News in the Parish

Restoration Fundraising

After our very successful quiz night (many participants and over \$1000 raised) we now look forward to our next event which is our **Annual Book Sale on Friday 11th and Saturday 12th June**. We will be looking for helpers on those days and also with setting up on the Thursday, please plan to join us even if only for a couple of hours. While we do have a good stock in the container we always welcome additional books and these can be dropped off at any time but particularly on Friday mornings when the Garage Sale team are at work at church (and don't forget to bring any items for that sale along with you too).

~ David

Red Cross Appeal

More families are expected to arrive in Christchurch soon. Unfortunately Red Cross are desperately short of blankets, duvets and inners, pots and frypans, towels, bath-mats, tea towels, single sheets, baking stuff and cutlery. If you can donate please drop off at church office or contact Fiona Gilmore on 0273453478.

~ Fiona

Giving Tax Receipts

The Giving tax receipts have now been distributed. If your email address was on the Parish Role then the receipt will have been emailed to you. If you don't have an email address or if it is not in the parish role, or was not correct in the Parish Role, then your receipt should be in the box on the table at the back of the church. If you have not received a receipt please contact the parish office.

~ Edwin

Designated Car Parking

As suggested at the recent meeting, several car-parks on both sides of the main hall have been designated for those with mobility issues. Look out for these signs as pictured. If you are able to walk a bit further, can you please avoid parking in these spaces. Thanking you for your co-operation.



~ Vestry

Parish Breakfast

We are having a Parish breakfast between the two services on Sunday 30th May. **The 9:30 will be at delayed until 10am** on that day. Please sign the list at the back of the church for catering purposes TODAY if you ave not already done so.

~Heather

Service Roster

We are in need of volunteers for our service rosters – especially 8am. Please talk to Ken, Margaret or Jo if you can help once a month)

~ Margaret Neate

Festivities on 27th June 2021

There will be only one morning service at 10am which Bishop Peter will preside at. This service will **not** be a repeat of the affected service for the rededication of the church on 28th February. It will have some repetitive elements but in addition it will be our St Peter's Patronal Festival service and will also include the induction of Rev'd Peg Riley into our Parish as Assistant Priest. Peg will be accompanied by family and representatives from St Margaret's College. This service will be followed by a special morning tea in the Parish Hall.

In the afternoon at 3.00pm a choral Evensong will be held with the choir "Conspiro" which Alice Bates and Gareth Murfitt belong to. Rev'd Margaret will lead this service and Rev'd David Winfield will be the cantor. Don't miss it!

The postponed dinner will be held in the Showgate Lounge at Riccarton Park at 5.00pm for 5.30pm on the same day. Those with tickets to the postponed event are already registered for the new event at no further charge. It is advisable to contact the office and confirm your attendance.

~Corin



News Beyond the Parish



Ever tried the 'Good Night Prayer of the Church'? Last year, a group of Anglicans discovered the peace of this simple prayer at the end of the day. It continues online each Sunday at 8pm. You're welcome to join – see the St Barnabas website <https://stbarnabas.org.nz/>

**Sunday Night Prayer
on Zoom at 8pm**

Using Aroha to Dismantle Hate in Aotearoa



May 27 at 7:30pm

**Centre for Ethics and Spirituality at
Ara Institute of Canterbury**

**Presented by Dr. Mazharuddin
Syed Ahmed**

Volunteer Minute Secretary for Petersgate Board of Trustees

The Petersgate Counselling Centre Trust Board has an opportunity for a Volunteer Minute Secretary to take minutes at its meetings which are generally held 7:30-9:30pm on the last Monday of the month. A suitable person would be familiar with Word and respect confidentiality. To request a description of the role or to enquire further, contact the Board Secretary, Neville Ross at neville.rossnz@gmail.com or the Business Manager Gray Crawford on business.manager@petersgate.org.nz phone 343 3391.



This Week's Diary

TODAY, Sunday 23 May

Family Church—11:15am, Chapel

Monday 24 May

Walking Group—1.30pm, Riccarton
Domain

Tuesday 25 May

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Staff Meeting—9:15am, Church

Exercise Class (class full)—9:30am,
Parish Hall

Mainly Music—Parish Hall, 11am

Wednesday 26 May

Morning Prayer—9am, Chapel

Wed Service —10am, Church

Thursday 27 May

Morning Prayer —9am, Chapel

Walking Group—9.30am, Burnside Park

Coffee & Chat—10am, York Room

St Peter's Choir —7:30pm, Church

Friday 28 May

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

A-Team—9am, by the hall

9-11am, Garage Sale Shed open

English Conversation Class — 4pm,
Bowden Hall

Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall

Sunday 30 May

Parish Breakfast—After 8am service

***9:30am service is being postponed to
10am for the breakfast.**



Parish-wide Breakfast

Worship Details

St Peter's Church

8am—Holy Communion
9:30am—Holy Communion
11:15am—Family Church

Readings: Acts 2.1-21
Psalm 104.25-35, 36b
Romans 8.22-27
John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15

Sentence

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and daughters shall prophesy; your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. (Acts 2.17)

Collect

Let us pray to open ourselves to the Spirit

Intoxicating breath of God
you give to frightened followers the
languages of the world:
blow afresh, wind of God,
that our institutions may have life
and that we might speak again the
languages of your world;
through Jesus we ask it. **Amen.**

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

God of love
grant our prayer.

Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 6.1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8.12-17
John 3.1-17

And all of them
were filled
with the
Holy Spirit
Acts 2:4



Prayer Focus

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

* ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, CHRISTCHURCH

Vicar: The Rev'd Chris Orczy (Sarah)
The Rev'd Canon Craufurd Murray (Jennifer)
The Rev'd Ron Smith (Diana)
The Rev'd Geoff Paterson (Valerie)
The Rev'd Peter Williams (Johnann)

* For St Michael's Church School
Principal: Miss Penny Tattershaw
Board Chair: Dr Spencer Beasley

* For Diocesan Clergy Conference
(24 - 26 May)

* For MACKENZIE CO-OPERATING
The Rev'd Andrew McDonald (Anna)
The Rev'd Michael Kerr

* For MARCHWIEL
The Ven Indrea Alexander (Neville)
The Rev'd Pauline Geddes (Graham)
The Rev'd Carolyn Sengelow
The Rev'd Eunice Penman
The Rev'd Margot Goodman (Donald)

* For PUKAKI CO-OPERATING Vacant

* For Order of St Stephen Network

* For Sunday Schools and Children's Ministries –

Diocesan Adviser: Ms Emma Tovey

