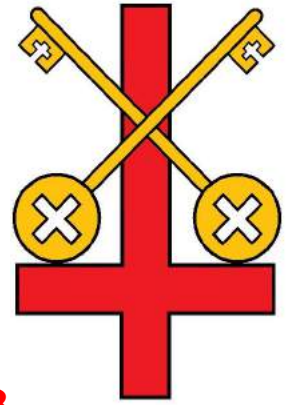


Welcome



to the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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



**31st July 2022
Ordinary Sunday 18**

Getting the Focus right

As you look back over your life you may find the focus of what is most important to you has changed as you get older, as you had a family or found your passion in life. Would you rather spend a day with that precious grandchild, or yet another day in the office making money for his or her future?



In this week's gospel Jesus tells a story about a successful farmer who has to build bigger barns to store his grain – and then thinks he has done all he needs to do in life. His security is in his possessions. Jesus challenges this.

We are not being asked to give up all our possessions, but to see them in perspective. The wise person is the one who is "rich toward God," which means generous towards others in need. That is, we are told to love our neighbour, look after the marginalised and those less fortunate than us. We need to share God's abundant gifts with those in need and put our faith in the riches of the world for which Jesus saved us, not earthly riches.

What have you decided to give your heart to today?

~ Margaret



Join us on Live Stream for our Sunday Service

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaV6CL18TXIVfhsobuKDFRw>

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News in the Parish

Spring Gateway

Closing date for submissions for the Spring Gateway is 22nd August.

Mahjong Club

Is there anyone with a spare card table, mahjong set or mahjong cards? We would be pleased to borrow them. Better still, come and play with your equipment, we are patient teachers.

~Sue Robb 021 657 962
Margaret Morton 342 8101

LOST - pair of black leather gloves following concert in church Sunday 3rd July. Found and placed at back of church. Disappeared since then. Sentimental value. Please phone Pat Murfitt if found. Phone 3382055

Lost Property

We have a pair of glasses, a pair of navy blue woolen gloves and a white hanky in the office, please collect if you lost them.

2nd Defibrillator

We have been given a starting donation towards a second defibrillator. Please contact one of the clergy or the office if you wish to contribute to this. ~ Margaret

Congratulation

We would like to acknowledge Sophie Butler, who has finished her nursing exams and will be working in the Pediatric Oncology Ward at Christchurch Public. Congratulations for all your hard work and dedication, and we hold you in our prayers for your future work. ~ Corin and Peg

Invitation

An invitation to attend the Memorial service for Graham Reed which will be held on Friday 12 August at 1:30pm in St Peter's Church. If you are able, please bring a plate to share following the service. ~ Nick and Peg

Dear Nick,

It is a measure of a parish when newly-arrived folk can feel so embraced by a worshipping community.

In a just a few visits to St. Peter's, Denise and I have been made to feel so welcome.

We are loving the relative informality, yet personal relevance, of the services we've attended.

Despite our age, hopefully there will be ways through which we can offer a useful contribution however small.

Blessings and our love is extended to all who have made us feel so welcome!

Denise & Peter Troon

Expression of Interest:
Registration closes soon

FAITH EMPOWERED

A ten session course on Zoom Tues evenings 7-9pm with UK presenters. Aim is to help participants grow in confidence in their faith sharing.

To find out more or to register, contact Mark Chamberlain, Archdeacon for Regeneration and Mission.

Email arm@anglicanlife.or.nz or
0274 327 474 or
speak to one of the clergy.



It's been an eventful week weather wise in our city. Just as well Cantabrians are made of tough stuff with all the adversities we have faced in the last 11 years. BUT God is bigger than all the challenges we face, He never changes and he is always there for us. What a wonderful reassurance.

This week our children have been watching the weather and talking about puddles. One child told me she "had all the puddles in the world at her house". My response was to show her the puddles outside preschool and explain that there was so much rain that there were plenty of puddles for everyone to share.

~ Liz Orr

stpeterspreschool@mcctrust.nz

We pray for the bishops attending the Lambeth Conference from across the 165 countries in the Anglican Communion. We pray for all those attending and leading the conference: for spiritual guidance and wisdom as they seek guidance for the word of God's church in God's world.

Here is the link for the Lambeth study topics. [https://](https://www.lambethconference.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Lambeth-Calls-Study-Guide-English.pdf)

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Upcoming Special Service dates:

- Racing Service - 7th August
- Spring Service - 4th September
- Pet's Service St Luke's - 4th September
- Petersgate Service - 25th September

Sunday 31 July

Growing Faith — 4pm, Atrium

Monday 01 Aug

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Tuesday 02 Aug

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Staff Meeting — 9:20am, Atrium

Parkstone Care Service — 10:30am

Oaks Lifestyle Care Service — 11:00am

Wednesday 03 Aug

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Wed Service — 10am, Church

Ilam Ret. Village Service — 1:30pm

Mahjong Club — 1:30pm, York Room

Thursday 04 Aug

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Coffee & Chat — 10am, Atrium

Choir — 7:30pm, Church

Friday 05 Aug

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Garage Sale Team — 9am, by the hall

A-Team — 9am, by the hall

Middlepark Service — 11:00am

Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall

Sunday 07 Aug

Racing Service — 9:30am, Church

OUR SONGS

A warm winter afternoon with

THE CECILIAN SINGERS

Conducted by Rosemary Turnbull

Accompanied by Sarah Kang

Including music by Buchanan,
Childs, Hamilton & Ritchie

2:30pm, 14 August 2022

St Peter's Church, Church Corner, Upper Riccarton

\$25 Pre Sales

\$30 Door Sales

<http://trybooking.co.nz/KUD>

Worship Details

St Peter's Church

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

Readings: Ecclesiastes 1.2, 12-14;
2.18-23
Psalm 49.1-12
Colossians 3.1-11
Luke 12.13-21

Sentence

Jesus said, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' (Luke 12.15)

Collect

Let us pray to invest our hearts in God

God of a better way,
it is easy to love things and use people:
grant us the wisdom of being rich in your way,
that, in loving others and using things,
we may hasten the day
when all your truth will be revealed;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

God of grace,
help us to trust you .

Next week's readings:

Genesis 15.1-6
Psalm 33.12-22
Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16
Luke 12.32-40



Prayer Focus

• For our mission partners...

⇒ **Petersgate:**

"Lord God, we pray for our 10 student counsellors, that they can balance their life and studies and grow in confidence as counsellors at Petersgate."

⇒ **Preschool:**

"Heavenly Father we are so thankful that you are with us in the storms of life, whether they are internal or external. We thank you for protecting us and our preschool during the recent rain storm. We ask, that, you be with all our families who have been impacted by flooding and/or sickness. We ask for your rest and healing hand over all those who are sick."

⇒ **Youth in our Parish:**

Sunday school: Lord we pray for our Sunday school, let the Holy Spirit give us more wisdom and knowledge and the kids to know you more.

Intermediate: Jesus, we pray for the Holy Spirit to give us the direction for this youth group ministry and let Jesus' will be done.

- **For those in need of prayer,** especially Barbara F, Jim C, Audrey P, Elizabeth C, Sheldine, Liz I, Alison R, Ken B, Irene Ch, Helen E, Dorothy, Anne & John S, Ian & Carole B, Ethan, Neville, Daniel, Maureen D, Marie T, Helen, Marlene, Marcia H, Fiona G, Irvine K, Margaret B, Winifred and Roger, and any others on our hearts and minds.
- We give thanks for the life of Beverly Preece, may she rest in peace and rise in glory.

• **TIKANGA PASEFIKA:**

The Diocese of Polynesia
Archbishop: Vacant

Bishops: The Rt Rev'd Gabriel Sharma, The Rt Rev'd Henry Bull