

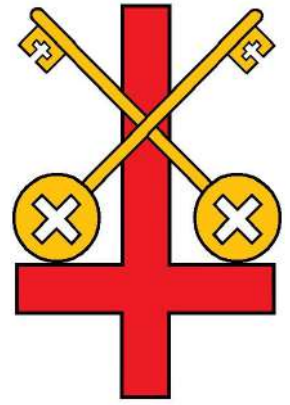
Welcome



to the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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

**4th December 2022
Advent 2**



John the Baptist - Risk Taker, Truth Teller

He was a bit of a rebel, they said... Born into the priestly family but decided to do a different job. He became a prophet. John was a strong and humble leader. Many people followed John, came to hear him preach, but he didn't let that make him become proud and self-focused. He preached repentance of sins, pointing others to the Saviour. And then, Jesus came to John and was baptised by John, and shortly began his ministry. It was personally very risky to know either John or Jesus.



So what do we learn from John? John was a risk taker and a truth teller. It might be hard for us, but as Christians, we must be willing to take risks in order to proclaim the gospel. We may not know what to say, or if we will be rejected. Love ~ as big as God's love for us ~ it speaks for itself when we share the Good News.

~ Peg



Join us on Live Stream for our Sunday Service

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

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News in the Parish

Events & Activities for 2023

It's time to plan ahead for 2023. Please send your group's proposed activities to the office, with time, date and venue needed. Please send everything by Friday 16th Dec so the office would be able to confirm if they are available for your use.

The office will be closed for 3 weeks from Monday 26th December and we hope to be able to confirm all Parish activities by Friday 23rd Dec.

Ride needed

The parish has sold a spinning wheel on Trade Me. The buyer lives in Dunedin. If we post it, or courier it, it will cost \$450 for the postage, which is more than the spinning wheel is worth, but if you are going to Dunedin over the next week or so, and would have room for it, we could offer you some petrol money for your trouble. It will fit easily in a car boot, with room to spare. Thank you.
~Dennys 357 4204

Defibrillator Training

Warren Dobbs will be bringing a dummy for the defibrillator training today, after the 9:30am service.

ANOTHER QUIZ is being prepared for an end-of-year/Christmas fun evening. So mark in your diary now FRIDAY 2nd DECEMBER and start gathering up your team. Always not-to-be-missed occasions.

Please put your name on the form in the Atrium or on table at the back of Church.
~David W



Christmas Letterbox drop

Leaflets are ready for your collection at the back of church. Please let the office know if you need more.

Plant Sale

This is a time when people are busy planting. Rather than throw away the pots, you are welcome to put them into our potting shed so we can use them for next year's sale. It would be greatly appreciated if you could give them a quick clean.

Happy planting!

~ Fiona

Restoration Fundraising

We are hoping to run another Christmas raffle this year as these have been well-supported previously and bring in good results. BUT...we will rely upon some generous gifts to provide the prizes. Can you offer an item or voucher perhaps? Please contact David Winfield or Corin Murfitt if we can count on you.
~David W

Giving Envelopes for 2023

Giving Envelopes for 2023 are now available from the table at the rear of the church. Note that in order to keep cost low and reduce waste, envelopes have only been provided for those who have given regularly and consistently, throughout the year. If your envelopes are not there, please use any spare envelopes you may have and advise the parish office when your supply runs low (4-6 remaining) and new envelopes will be provided.

~Edwin





We had wonderful Christmas celebrations with staff and families last weekend.

On Saturday night the Staff team had a fun night together at our staff Christmas function.

Preschool families were the focus on Sunday with morning tea, followed by family church. The children were cute leading us in songs and performing the play 'Round the Back'. A picnic lunch in the Bowden Hall followed, including a surprise visit from Father Christmas with gifts for each child.

The last part of the celebration was the Christmas Installation at preschool. Children (and their parents) could engage in 4 different activities associated with Christmas. The last station was a visit to our Preschool nativity scene which got a 'wow' from many.

~ Liz Orr

stpeterspreschool@mcctrust.nz

Tuesday 06 Dec

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Staff Meeting — 9:15am, Atrium

Exercise Class — 9:30am, Parish Hall

Parkstone Care Service — 10:30am

Oaks Lifestyle Care Service — 11:00am

Wednesday 07 Dec

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Wednesday Service — 10am, Church

Mahjong Club — 1:30pm, York Room

Ilam Retirement Service — 1:30pm

Thursday 08 Dec

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Coffee & Chat — 10am, Atrium

Choir — 7:30pm, Church

Friday 09 Dec

Christian Meditation — 9am, Chapel

Garage Sale Team — 9am, by the hall

A-Team — 9am, by the hall

Conversation English Class — 4:00pm,
Bowden Hall

Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall

December Mission Table

The final Mission Table for the year will be held next Sunday - Dec 11th. We will have a "Christmassy theme"

All baking, sweets, cakes, muffins and loaves are very welcome, as are jams, pickles, sauces, fresh fruit and veges, and plants etc. Christmas-themed crafts and small gift items would be appreciated.

The proceeds will go to the CWS Christmas Appeal.

~ Jill and Noeline



Christmas Worship

Sunday 27th Nov

8am and 9.30am - Christmas Appeal (CWS)

with guest preacher

11:15am - Christmas Service with Preschool, followed by lunch

Sunday 11th Dec - 8am and 9.30am

Remembrance of departed

part of normal services

Sunday 18th Dec

St Peter's - Holy Communion 8:00am

St Peter's Carol Service — no Eucharist 9.30am

St Luke's Carol Service — no Eucharist 9.30am

Friday 23rd Dec - 5pm

Rehearsal of the Nativity Dress-up Service

Saturday 24th Dec

5pm - St Peter's Nativity Dress-up Service

Midnight Mass St Peter's

Start with Carols at 11:15pm

Sunday 25th Dec

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St Luke's 9.30am



Parish of Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst
St Peter's: 22 Main South Road, Church Corner
St Luke's: 43 School Road, Yaldhurst

Worship Details

St Peter's Church

8am—Holy Communion

9:30am—Holy Communion

St Luke's Church

9:30am—Holy Communion

Readings: Isaiah 11.1-10
Romans 15.4-13
Matthew 3.1-12

Sentence

The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his way straight.
(cf Matthew 3.3)

Collect

Let us pray to prepare the way:

God of fresh hope,
you chose John the Baptist
to prepare the way for Christ:
help us in our day
to prepare the way for the gospel of
hope;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Amen

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

God of peace,
grant our prayer.

Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 35.1-10
James 5.7-10
Matthew 11.2-11



God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer Focus

• For our mission partners...

⇒ **Petersgate:**

♥ We pray for our counsellors as they face clients who want to find hope and joy in their lives.

⇒ **Preschool:**

♥ Thankfulness for wonderful Christmas celebrations last week-end.

♥ Creativity and enthusiasm for teachers at the end of the year.

♥ Our children and families will receive Christ this Christmas.

Youth in our Parish:

♥ **Sunday School:** For the Lord will bless this Sunday School and more families and children will join us.

♥ **Intermediate:** For the Lord will pour the Holy Spirit upon all the youth in these days.

• **For those in need of prayer,** especially Helen, Jim C, Barbara F, Ashley L, Graham S, Maureen D, Anne J, Elizabeth C, Alison R, Neville, Irene Ch, Helen E, Anne & John S, Carole & Ian B, Winifred, Lesley J, Barbara F, Marie T, Daniel, Irvine K, Lesley J, Nesta B, Marlene and Brian, and any others on our hearts and minds.

SHIRLEY BURWOOD MARSH- LAND Ministry Unit

(extended Parish of Shirley)

Vicar: The Rev'd Dr Carolyn Robertson
(Paul Hegglin)

The Rev'd Carolyn Swift (Andrew)

**Bishop's Chaplain to Retired Clergy,
Spouses & Clergy Widow(er)s:** The
Rev'd Lynnette Lightfoot (Alistair)
Harber

The Cathedral Grammar School

Principal: Mr Scott Thelning

Chaplain: Mrs Teresa Kundycki-Carrell
(+Peter)

Upcoming Special Service dates

Family Church - 25th Dec



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CRAFT FAIR & MARKET

9am-1pm

St. Christopher's Church Hall
244 Avonhead Road

Saturday December 3

Perfect chance for some Christmas shopping:
Handcrafted items, recycled craft supplies, displays,
craft activities for children

Bonus Christmas cake & hamper raffle.

Gold Coin Entry, Under 12's Free
Cash Sales Preferred

For enquiries or to book a stall, call Anne on 020 4118 4414.



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Andrew Grenon
Joel Amosa

Christchurch Symphony Orchestra

Conductor Dr John Linker

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Students must have a current ID.

Child prices apply up to and including age 18.

Seating arrangements are subject to venue rules.

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Bachelor of Counselling (Level 7)

God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts.
Use them well to serve one another.

1 Peter 4:10 (NLT)

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TODAY!**

Programme Overview

The Bachelor of Counselling is designed to train students to become ethical, professional counsellors who are skilled and knowledgeable in counselling practice.

During this first intensive year of study, students develop a strong understanding of counselling theory, including counselling process, self-awareness, human development, personal and professional boundaries, and principles of psychology.

On-campus classes enhance the theoretical depth of students' knowledge and awareness, underpinning the practical counselling experience. Throughout years two and three of study, students will complete 200 hours of face-to-face counselling practice.

A Person-Centred approach is developed within a Christian faith-based learning environment. Openness toward diversity in culture, spirituality and worldview is highly valued, as is the importance of developing a mission or purpose in one's life.

As Vision College offers the Bachelor of Counselling from a Christian faith-based perspective, it is intended to develop graduates who can enter the counselling field with the competence to work through body, mind and spiritual wellness, valuing the uniqueness of each individual in achieving holistic wellbeing or Te Whare Tapa Whā.

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The programme is underpinned by three core values and philosophical themes of learning which are embedded throughout all papers: self-awareness, cultural sensitivity, and Christian worldview.

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Year One

- Person-Centred Counselling
- Counselling Approaches
- Introduction to Psychology and Assessment
- Introduction to Theology
- Personal and Professional Formation
- Aotearoa New Zealand Society
- Lifespan Human Development

Year Two

- Person-Centred Counselling 2
- Personal and Professional Integration
- Supervised Professional Practice
- Working with Contextual Issues
- Cultural Competency for Counselling in Aotearoa New Zealand
- Working with Family Members

Year Three

Core Papers:

- Personal and Professional Integration 2
- Supervised Professional Practice 2
- Mental Health and Disorders
- Working with Contemporary Ethical Issues

Elective Papers:

- Introduction to Research
- Creative Therapies
- Counselling Children and Young People
- Grief and Loss Counselling
- Alcohol, Drugs and Addictions
- Abuse and Trauma Counseling
- Working with Couple Relationships

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the Bachelor of Counselling will have completed the requirements for provisional membership to the relevant professional bodies New Zealand Christian Counsellors Association (NZCCA) and New Zealand Association of Counsellors (NZAC).

Bachelor of Counselling (Level 7)



Further Study

Master's Degree in Counselling
Other Post Graduate study

Employment

Counselling Agency Work
School Counselling Youth Work
Support Aid Worker
Community Agencies
Pastoral Work
Other People-Orientated Careers

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I valued learning from the Vision College tutors who had years of real life industry experience.

Past Counselling Student

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