Welcome HELLO SKia Ora

to the Anglican Parish of **Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst**

St Peter's St Luke's

20th Aug 2023 **Ordinary Sunday 20**



A Place for all

Rules, important for society, for safety and trust to develop... but what if the rules become more important than the people around us?

Jesus looks at the rules around purification and sees that the Teachers of the Law are more concerned with "doing the law" than what the law is about in the community. The message is about how we live God's law ~ what grows in our heart and that defines us by what we say and do and creates our community.



Then there is an enormous challenge for us in this reading. Jesus states that he has come only for the lost 'People of Israel' which would exclude the Canaanites, Samaritans and other Gentiles around the territory. The Jews saw the Gentiles as 'unclean'. The point of this Gospel is the significance of the exception granted to the Canaanite woman, based on her strong and humble faith in Jesus. Jesus felt her great faith and healed her daughter.

Let us welcome everyone here. It can be uncomfortable to have to change as we welcome people into our community and allow a place for everyone at the Lord's table.

~ Peg



Join us on Live Stream for our Sunday Service

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

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News in the Parish

Invitation to Explore

Have you ever wondered what Baptism is all about? Have you been baptised and want to take your God commitment further? Perhaps you want to know more about Confirmation. Please email, or talk to Peg and we can meet and explore what might be in store! ~Peg

Spring Service

3rd September 10am at Brake Street Methodist. Please join us. This will be our 9:30am that day, and livestreamed. ~*Nick*



Living Wage & God's Creation

Nathanial Herz Edinger from the Living Wage Movement will discuss how we can keep thousands of working families on decent wages, regardless of the election's outcome. What is Living Wage, why is it Christian, and how can we get politicians behind the idea?

Will be at St Peter's at 11:15 on August 27 in the Atrium.

Sessions on Care of Creation will happen in the Atrium at 11:15 on:

September 17 - A video with Jane Goodall, and

October 1 - another video with Helen Clark

More information to follow.

~Richard Milne

A big thank you

A big thank you to all who lead us in intercessions on a Sunday at the 8, 9:30 St Peter's and St Luke's and 11:15. There will be a training session on the 20th of August at 11:15 in St Peter's. This is an opportunity to learn from one another and our tradition.

~Nick

Growing in Faith

This week, 20 August, is our last session (for now) with 'The Field Guide to the Bible' (copies available for the session).

In September, we have several other events at this time so we will begin again on October 8. Look to the Bulletins for upcoming news. ~Peg

Vestry Meeting

Wednesday 23rd August. Please send reports to office by Monday 21st August for circulation.

Spring Gateway

Please note that there is a cut-off of 8pm Sunday 3rd September for the Spring Gateway. ~*Heather & Graeme*

Garage Sale - Linen

Just a little thing for you to do to help and save us a bit of time - If possible, can you please label any bedding you drop off with the size - eg Single, King Single, Queen, King. Many thanks.

~Jo Winfield

Plant Sale

Despite this cold blast it is still a good time to pot up plants including peonies, heuchera, hostas and indoor plants. Tomato plants grown from seed can be planted and this weekend might be a great time to start looking for any items which you could donate including tools, vases, garden ornaments, hoses and so forth. There is still soil available in the potting shed . *Fiona Gilmore*





Last week our MCC Trust wide sports week was a huge success with our children learning lots of things as they tried lots of new activities.

'Swingball' was a great handeye and timing challenge as children tried to hit the ball when it swung around in front of them. The obstacle course proved to be great way for children to practice measuring height (of the hurdles) then co-ordinate their movement to jump the right height at the right time otherwise the hurdle fell over. Walking across the stepping stones was a great way to practice skills and measuring balancing how far the gap between the steps ~ Liz Orr were.

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THE LORD WILL FIGHT FOR YOU. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS KEEP STILL.

EXODUS 14:14

Mission Table

Funds from the exercise group and our sales table on our Mission Table last week will be donated to Ukraine to help with food parcels. A total of \$523.10.

The funds will be sent through the Red Cross. Please support this worthy cause. It is difficult to comprehend what it must be like to live daily being very frightened for your families safety. The destruction is enormous. We pray especially for the women & children.

Sending love to Jill as she recovers from her injuries.

~ Jill & Noeline



This Week's Diary

Tuesday 22 Aug

Morning Prayer— 9am, Chapel Staff Meeting — 9:15am, Atrium

Exercise Class — 9:30am, Parish Hall

Care bears — 4pm, Zoom

Victory Youth — 5pm, Upper Room

Wednesday — 23 Aug

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Wednesday Eucharist —10am, Church Mahjong Club — 1:30pm, York Room

Vestry Meeting — 7:00pm, Atrium

Thursday 24 Aug

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Choir — 7:30pm, Church

Friday 25 Aug

Meditation—9:00am, Chapel

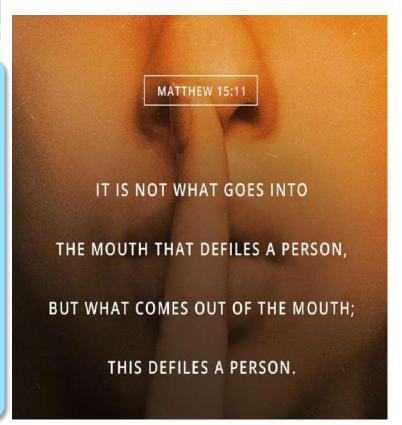
A-Team—9am, by the hall

9-11am, Garage Sale Shed

Conversation English Class — 4pm,

Bowden Hall

Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall



Worship Details

St Peter's Church

8:00am—Eucharist 9:30am—Eucharist

St Luke's Church 9:30am—Eucharist

Victory Church 2:00pm

Readings: Isaiah 56.1, 6-8

Psalm 67

Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15.10-28

Sentence

'Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly?' (Matthew 15.28)

Collect

Let us pray to know that God's love is for all:

God of all, whether Jew or Gentile, free us from the prejudice of believing

that we alone are your chosen people:

help us to see you in the neighbour of your choosing and in the enemy of our making; for you are this world's redeemer, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

For your love and goodness, we give you thanks, O God.

Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 51.1-6 Psalm 138 Romans 12.1-8 Matthew 16.13-20



Prayer Focus

For our mission partners

⇒**Petersgate:**

⋄For the AGM on the 28th.

⇒**Preschool:**

- **For staffing qualified relievers urgently required.**
- For rest and healing for those wo are sick/injured.

Mission Action Plan

- To grow our congregation
- Growing our Care of Creation
- Growth of Family Church
- Deeper connection with Victory congregation
- Growing Digital Ministry

Other Prayers

We pray for those in need of prayer, especially: Doug and Betty, Liz I, Maureen and Martin, Lesley J, Max, Marlene C, Sue C, Irvine K, Sheila F, Helen E, Alison R, Anne and John S, Bev H, Irene Ch, Christine C and others in our hearts and minds. For Jenny Bell at her death, for love to surround the family.

Diocesan Prayers

HORNBY, TEMPLETON & WEST MELTON

Priest in Charge: The Rev'd Les

Memory (Margi)

The Rev'd Raymond Salisbury (Jean)

The Rev'd Don Pilgrim (Justine)

The Rev'd David Hastings (Dorothy)

The NZ Church Missionary Society National Director: The Rev'd Rosie

Fyfe (Nathan)

Diocesan Council for World Mission: Bronwyn Tucker chair

Next Family Church on Sunday 27th August

Tools to help you grow...

TUIA

https://tuia.app/



Tuia gathers people in prayer.

Though we may be distant physically, we are one in prayer.

Tui, tui, tuituia mātou.

Lectio 365

https://www.24-7prayer.com/resource/lectio-365/ Google apps Apple app store



There are sites to help you understand the Bible - Try **Bible Project** on YouTube. https://www.youtube.com/@bibleproject/about

(or the free app: Bible Project on Google Play or App Store)

There is an amazing series, still in the making called The Chosen. It is on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/@TheChosenSeries/videos

It also has an app for both Apple and Android devices, even computers!



The Chosen

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Q&A Panel (Mandarin Translated)

Are we still safe here in Christchurch?

Expert Panel

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Member of the Police, Neighbourhood Support and director of Safety Bracelet (Safelet) will be answering your questions on safety.

Building a safe city, community, and family is <u>OUR RESPONSIBILITY</u>

Sat 26/Aug 2pm 182 The Runway, Wigram



Register with QR code Limited seating







Asian Community Transformation Trust

中英问答讲座

提道運動

专家小组

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警察、公益机构和安全手链创办人 将一同为大家回答安全相关的问题 建立安全的家园、社区和城市 是你我的职责。

8.26 (六) 2pm 182 The Runway, Wigram



名额有限,请扫码报名 (附5-12岁孩童看照)

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主办单位: ACTT







Parish Event Calendar 2023

DATE (& Day)	Event	Notes
3 September (Sun)	Spring Service	
7, 8, 9 September	Synod	
10 September (Sun)	Preschool Service (11:15)	4 th Birthday celebration
23-24 September	Mission Impact Review	
7 October (Sat)	Plant Sale	
14 October (Sat)	Garage Sale	
12-14 October	LYCIG	Leading Your Church Into Growth
15 October	St Luke's Patronal Service	
19 October (Thu)	Cemetery + Church Tour	
27-30 October	Parish Retreat	Friday-Sunday
5 November	All Saints Sunday	
3 December	Advent Sunday	
10 December	Remembering the Departed	
	Preschool Service (11:15)	Advent
17 December	Carol Services	St Luke's & St Peter's
24 December (Sun)	Children's Nativity 5pm Midnight Service	
25 December (Mon)	Christmas Day	

Note: This is a living document, will be updated as required.