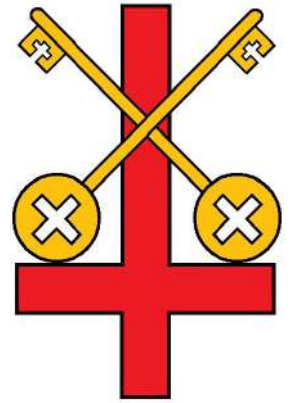


# Welcome



to the Anglican Parish of  
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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



**17<sup>th</sup> Sep 2023  
Ordinary Sunday 24**

## Conflict! You have gotta be joking.

As a race of people New Zealanders find conflict really hard. We are a she'll be right sort of people, most of us would run a mile before we would face into conflict. Christians find it doubly hard because we mistakenly think if we just have Jesus we can all get along.

Jesus is telling us something very important about God and the nature of forgiveness in our Gospel reading for this Sunday. Just as God's love never runs out, so our forgiving one another is never to run out.

"In as much as it depends on us," (Romans 12:18) we are to exercise forgiveness while keeping people safe. Not for the sake of the other only but for our own sake so that we don't end up in a cage of bitterness and hurt.

~ Nick



**Join us on Live Stream for our Sunday Service**

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

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## News in the Parish

### Growing in Faith

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

### Leaf mould compost available

\$40.00 per trailer load delivered within Christchurch City.

\$30.00 per trailer load if you collect it yourself. Proceeds to the restoration fund. Contact Dennys on 357 4204. ~Dennys Guild

### God's Creation

*Save the dates:* September 17<sup>th</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>, at 11.15am in the atrium. As part of our rejoicing for the renewal of Spring and the Season of Creation, we are offering two videos on the theme: 'A climate of hope.' The first features anthropologist Dr. Jane Goodall and the second the Rt Hon Helen Clark. Each of these is followed by recorded discussion with local experts, moderated by Rod Oram. There will be time for discussion among ourselves. ~Richard Milne

### St Luke's working bee

We are planning a working bee at St Luke's on Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9.30am and would like to invite anybody interested to come along.

People just need to bring along their tools and morning tea will be provided. ~Rachel Legat

### Christmas figurine

In a recent Hall Kitchen tidy up a Christmas figurine was discovered - possibly from a Nativity Set - either Joseph or a shepherd. If you have any idea who it may belong to please let Jo know.



~Jo Winfield

### Mission Impact Review

There is a team with us from the wider Diocese undertaking a review of the Parish. Please prayerfully fill out the survey from the link below before the 18<sup>th</sup> of September. There are paper copies if you don't have the internet. Please have these back to church on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup>.

The review team are reporting back at morning tea on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks for your help with this.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JWBBKWN>

~Nick

### Plant Sale

Thank you...what a fabulous response we had to the vegetable seeds. You can still grow vegetables and last year fruit plants were very popular including black currants, rhubarb, raspberries, as well as herbs. We are in for some early Spring weather so have a look in the garden and see what you can pot up! There is still some potting soil available.

~Fiona Gilmore & Ann

### Garage Sale - 14/10/2023

All toys - soft toys, dolls, cars, games - anything your family has grown out of is welcome. Please check that all the pieces are there and they work well and are usable.

Anything with electric parts does need our electrician to certify so please ensure they are in early by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October please. We won't accept anything after this date.

Please also consider what you can do to help. There will be forms out in a week or two for you to sign up. Please reserve the date. ~Jo Winfield





## This Week's Diary

It was such a joy for 97 of us to gather in the Church to celebrate with our Bishop the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday of the preschool. The response to blessing the children was beautiful. After, we went back to the Preschool to have lunch. The cake, bouncy castle, the candy floss, the illusionist, face painting and the piñata being a total hit. While we missed Liz, we wish her a very speedy recovery and well deserved break.

~ Nick on behalf of Liz  
stpeterspreschool@mcctrust.nz



### Tuesday 19 Sep

**Morning Prayer**— 9am, Chapel  
**Staff Meeting** — 9:15am, Atrium  
**Exercise Class** — 9:30am, Parish Hall  
**Elms Court Village Service** - 11:00am  
**Victory Youth** — 5pm, Upper Room

### Wednesday — 20 Sep

**Morning Prayer** — 9am, Chapel  
**Wednesday Eucharist** — 10am, Church  
**Mahjong Club** — 1:30pm, York Room

### Thursday 21 Sep

**Morning Prayer** — 9am, Chapel  
**Choir** — 7:30pm, Church

### Friday 22 Sep

**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

### Sunday 24 Sep

**Mission Impact Review** — 10:45am, Atrium

## Mission Table

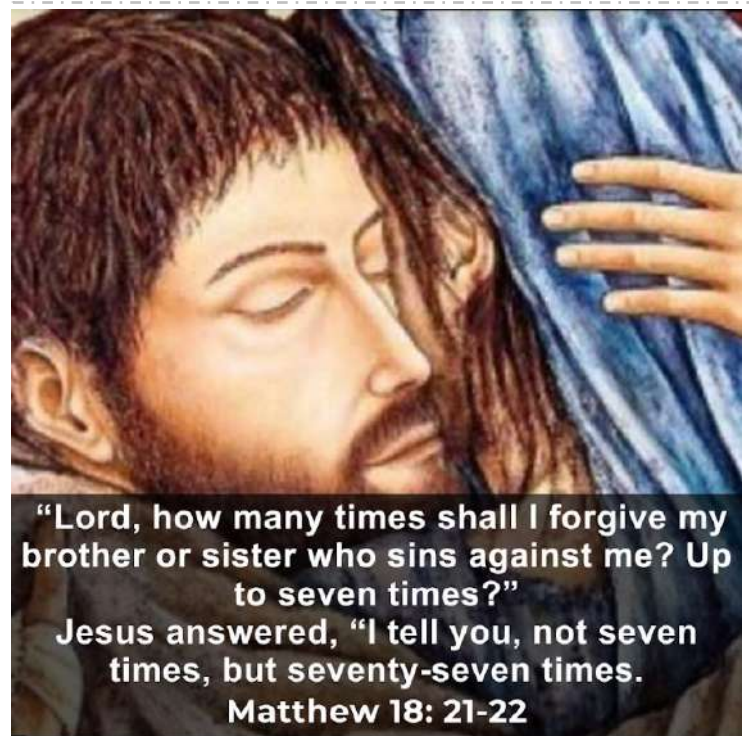
The Mission Table held last Sunday raised \$358 -including \$101 from the Exercise Class - for the Canterbury and Lincoln University Chaplaincy .

Many thanks go to all the helpers, and to everyone who supplied items to be sold.

We are very short of jams, pickles, sauces etc. and all other preserved goods - donations for next month's Mission Table would be very welcome!

Also - plastic carry-bags are not required - we have plenty, and most customers now bring their own bags. Thank you.

~ Jill & Noeline



“Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?”

Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

Matthew 18: 21-22

**Office Closed**  
**25 - 29 September 2023**  
No bulletin for 1<sup>st</sup> October.

## Worship Details

**St Peter's Church**  
8:00am—Eucharist  
9:30am—Eucharist  
**St Luke's Church**  
9:30am—Eucharist  
**Family Church**  
11:15am—Eucharist  
**Victory Church**  
2:00pm

**Readings:** Genesis 50.15-21  
Psalm 103.8-13  
Romans 14.1-12  
Matthew 18.21-35

### Sentence

Jesus said to Peter, "Not seven times, but I tell you, seventy-seven times." (*Matthew 19:21*)

### Collect

Let us pray for grace to forgive:

Forgiving God,  
your patience never comes to an end:  
may we who live under the shadow of the cross,  
never forget its message of forgiveness  
and in remembering your limitless love  
we will always allow another's new start;  
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. **Amen.**

### Versicle and Response for Intercessions

Rock of ages,  
**in you we trust.**

### Next Sunday's Readings:

Jonah 3.10-4.11  
Psalm 145.1-8  
Philippians 1.1-20  
Matthew 20.1-6



## Prayer Focus

### ⇒ Petersgate:

◇ Thanking God for our counsellors, praying that they look after themselves and keep their lives in balance.

### ⇒ Preschool:

◇ Thankfulness for our wonderful birthday celebration.  
◇ Rest and healing for those who are sick.

### • Mission Action Plan

- To grow our congregation
- Grow our Care of Creation
- Grow Family Church
- Deeper connection with Victory congregation
- Grow Digital Ministry
- For the Mission impact review team and those interviewed and all of us as we fill out the questionnaire

### • Other Prayers

We pray for those in need of prayer, especially: Liz O, Verna I, Sheldine, Doug and Betty, Carol B, Derek R, Margaret W & Neville B, Genevieve & Duncan, Maureen & Martin, Bill G, Irvine K, Sheila F, Helen E, Max, Bev H, Alison R, Marlene C, Irene Ch, Christine C and others in our hearts and minds.

### • Diocesan Prayers

#### LINWOOD-ARANUI

Vicar: The Rev'd Brenda Bonnett (Marty)

The Rev'd Felicity O'Brien (Kevin)

The Rev'd Anne Russell-Brighty (Adrian)

#### LYTTELTON

Vicar: The Rev'd John McLister (Yaeko Bando)

Lyttelton Seafarers:

Chaplain: The Rev'd John McLister (Yaeko)

Board Chair: The Rev'd Rob Thomson

## 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](#)

Lectio 365



The new daily devotional app from 24-7 Prayer and CWR

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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## Parish Event Calendar 2023

DATE (& Day)	Event	Notes
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.*