

to the Anglican Parish of Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

## St Peter's & St Luke's 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023 Ordinary Sunday 30

## Not a basket of puppies

We aren't well served by our English word love. When we hear Jesus say, "love our neighbours," I wonder what we are thinking? Love for most of us, is a passive warm feeling. This is very far from what Jesus had in mind. In fact the writers of the New Testament could have used up to 8 words for love. Eros (romantic, passionate love), Philia (affectionate love), Agape (selfless, universal love), Storge



(familiar love), Mania (obsessive love), Ludus (playful love), Pragma (enduring love), Philautia (self love). Jesus himself showed us agape, unconditional love dying for us on the cross. To love our neighbours as Jesus teaches us is to actively want the best for another person. We may not "love," them in the English sense of the word but we still can "love," them in the Gospel sense of the word.

A better measure of love is not our feelings but our actions. Ask not how the other makes me feel, but am I treating them as I would want to be treated?

~ Nick



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

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

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## **News in the Parish**

#### **Christmas Shoeboxes Appeal**

year, our Shoebox This collection is being run by the St Peter's Preschool, and the POST is welcome to fill Parish shoeboxes and add to their collection. There are boxes available in the foyer of the church today. Shoeboxes must be at the Preschool from Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October. We will bless and drop them to Manna on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November for distribution. ~ Peg

#### Summer Gateway

It's due Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November as the deadline for the Summer 2023 Gateway. Please email the editors: *heatherandgraeme.cox@xtra.co.nz* ~*Heather & Graeme Cox* 

#### Growing in Faith - Day by Day

All are welcome to join. We have 5 more meetings for 2023: November 5, 12, 19 and December 3 and 10.

Introducing Lectio Divina, a way of reading the scriptures prayerfully, slowly and with imagination. It is about the heart more than the head.

~Peg

#### Social Justice/Care of Creation

The group of people who are interested in working together, would like to start a WhatsApp Group. If you would like to join, please let Peg know. ~*Peg* 

#### **Giving Envelopes**

If you donate using envelopes, these are now available from the table at the back of the church for the period November 2023 to the end of October 2024. If your envelopes are not there then please contact Edwin Boyce on 0272927042. Thank you for your contribution to the cost of running the parish. ~Edwin Boyce

#### Parish Retreat

Our Parish Retreat is the weekend of 25, 26 Nov at Sr Evelyn Retreat House. Please let me know so I can book you a space. ~*Nick* 

#### <u>Gaza</u>

As we here in Aotearoa New Zealand encounter different perspectives on the situation can we remember not to conflate Hamas with all Palestinians or the State of Israel with all Jews and Judaism itself; can we listen respectfully to one another to more deeply understand each other, and together to fuller come а understanding of the situation for Israel and Palestine. This will enable us to act together in the work of challenging any and of all acts violence. ~ Religious Diversity Council

#### St Luke's roofing

Donate today!









Proudly helping bring children back to Church Corner

000000 This week at preschool the children are learning about feelings - how to label them and how to recognise them in themselves and others. Managing feelings is an important life skill, it and starts at a preschool level, with learning what each feeling is. We can teach children to be aware of other children's feelings and how respond appropriately to to another child's emotional state. This is the beginning of empathy. Emotional intelligence IS now recognised just as being as important for success in life as academic intelligence.

~ Liz Orr stpeterspreschool@mcctrust.nz

**Church life survey** - We have been asked to take part in a national survey of church life. This enables important data in the life of Christian's in

this country. Below are the links for each congregation to complete the survey.

#### Wednesday 10am

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#### St Luke's

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#### 8am

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#### 9:30am

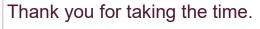
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#### 11:15am

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#### **2pm**

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## This Week's Diary

Tuesday 31 Oct

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel Staff Meeting — 9:15am, Atrium Exercise Class — 9:30am, Parish Hall Victory Youth — 5pm, Upper Room

#### <u>Wednesday — 01 Nov</u>

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

<u>Thursday 02 Nov</u> **Morning Prayer** — 9am, Chapel **Choir** — 7:30pm, Church

Friday 03 Nov Meditation—9:00am, Chapel A-Team—9am, by the hall

9-11am, Garage Sale Shed Middlepark Service — 11:00am Conversation English Class — 4pm, Bowden Hall

Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall

Saturday 04 Nov Card Making Club—10:00am, Bowden Hall

Calendar 2024 draft is at the back of bulletin - please check if the dates are all good for your group and let the office know asap, thanks!

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

Matthew 22:37

~Nick

## Worship Details

St Peter's Church 8:00am—Eucharist 9:30am—Eucharist 11:15am—Family Church Mandarin Service 2:00pm

Readings: Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18 Psalm 1 1 Thessalonians 2.1-8 Matthew 22.34-46

#### Sentence

Jesus said to the lawyer, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." (*Matthew 22.37*)

#### Collect

Let us pray to keep the great commandment:

Law-giving God,

in Jesus Christ we see your love: grant us such love in our hearts that we love you with our whole being

and our neighbours as ourselves; for you reign in the glory of the power that is love now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Versicle and Response for Intercessions For your love and goodness, we give you thanks, O God.

#### Next Sunday's Readings:

Revelation 7.9-end Psalm 34.1-10, 22 1 John 3.1-3 Matthew 5.1-12



### **Prayer Focus**

#### ⇒**Petersgate:**

 Pray for a helpful strategic planning day.

⇒**Preschool:** 

**•** Thankfulness for our growing roll.

 Preparations for our involvement for the Christchurch Christmas Parade.

#### For the Parish retreat

#### 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, Margaret M, Susan H, and others on our hearts and minds.

#### Diocesan Prayers

OXFORD-CUST Interim Priest in Charge: The Rev'd Felicity O'Brien (Kevin) PAPANUI Vicar: The Rev'd Dr Tim Frank (Yudy) The Judiciary and Legal Profession





#### **ONLINE GIVING**

Bank: Bank of New Zealand Branch: Upper Riccarton, Christchurch Account Details: 02-0874-0021566-00

# Frequently Asked Questions

#### What's happening with the Christ Church Cathedral Reinstatement Project?

- Lots! Since 2019 all of the Cathedral architectural and engineering design work, including the new tower and vestries, has been completed. Actual physical work began in 2020.
- On site a 408 tonne exoskeleton of steel now supports the walls of the Cathedral and 247 tonnes of rubble have been removed from the interior using the world's first remote-controlled digger operation.
- Technology is key! We have created an app to record and track every heritage item for reuse in the Cathedral. This increases the accuracy of what is in storage and ensures that each item can be brought back to site in the right sequence when rebuilding.

#### What's next?

- A huge milestone: At the end of the first quarter of 2023 the Cathedral achieved 34 per cent of New Zealand's New Building Standards (NBS) and completed the Stabilisation Phase. This means it is no longer earthquake prone and therefore safe for entry.
- · A new focus: Strengthening the walls of the main building.
- A world first: The first unreinforced masonry neo-gothic cathedral in the world to be protected by base isolation. Internal excavation will be required to allow for the installation of the new foundations and 66 base isolators under the Cathedral and new tower.
- Base isolation is to be completed by 2025 bringing the Cathedral to 100 per cent NBS when the project is finished.

#### When will the project be finished?

 We're getting it done and we're on schedule for a 2027 project completion with a reinstated Cathedral and new tower, Visitors' Centre and Cathedral Centre.

#### How is this being paid for?

- Insurance settlement funds, a Government grant of \$25M, and a Christchurch City Council rated levy of \$10M allowed the project to start and progress. Donations are driving the project forward and will help complete it.
- Fundraising success is critical to the project. The first donations arrived shortly after the 2011 earthquake and continue to this day as businesses and donors note the critical importance of the project for civic, spiritual, economic and heritage reasons.

#### Will the project be stopped before completion?

 No. Delays cost money, so the Board is working to ensure that there will be no delays by concentrating on fundraising and other funding mechanisms.

#### What about cost escalation?

- As everyone in New Zealand knows, costs for construction have increased dramatically over the last three years. CCRL has worked diligently to define the project fully, defining scope and mitigating risks to develop the current estimate. Current total project cost is \$155M.
- The CCRL team manages each piece of the construction puzzle with strict oversight and budget consideration. Steps are taken early to minimise any budget increases and the strong working relationship with contractors assists in an efficient and economical delivery.

#### Why should I help?

- Your reason for donating is personal, but these are some of the reasons we've heard:
  - Reading on the website that the Cathedral will offer a spiritual home to Anglicans, welcome all faiths and none made me feel included. I feel truly welcomed and spiritually connected even though I'm an atheist.
  - The Cathedral is the heart of Christchurch and it needs to be repaired for our city to be fully healed from the earthquakes.
  - History matters to me and knowing where we come from strengthens us going into the future.
  - As a business dependent on tourist dollars, we know that the Cathedral and its Tower were, and will be, one of the city's most important drawcards.
- 75 per cent of respondents from a recent community survey want Christ Church Cathedral reinstated. For those who can donate, every dollar helps to make this happen.

#### What is the Anglican Church doing to support the project?

- While the Anglican Church initially wanted to deconstruct and build a new church more aligned to its budget constraints, appreciation of the civic and heritage values important to Christchurch led to the negotiated settlement. Anglicans here and around the world now support the project.
- The Christ Church Cathedral Reinstatement Act 2017 resulted from a negotiated decision between the Anglican Church and Government.
- The Anglican Church is further supporting the project through donation of insurance funds, liquidated Church assets, and an Anglican fundraising campaign being led by Bishop Peter Carrell.
- Volunteer involvement by members of the Anglican Church is helping at all levels from governance to design input to spreading the good news around progress on the Cathedral, Visitors Centre' and Cathedral Centre.



# Is There Good News for People with Trauma?

Presenters: Dr Jeremy Baker, Dr Gina Colvin-Ruwhiu, Lisia Ratima-Livesley

How does our history impact our wellbeing after Covid, cyclones and other disasters?

What do spirituality, science, and Christian faith have to do with recovery?

Come and hear our speakers on these things and join the discussion!

## Monday 30 October 2023 7.00 - 9.30 pm

Address Laidlaw College, Condell Ave, Christchurch

Cost \$5.00 - Supper included

Please RSVP to admin@heartspace.org.nz by 29 Oct.





https://linktr.ee/stpeterschurch

## Parish Event Calendar 2023

DATE (& Day)	Event	Notes
5 November	All Saints Sunday	
24-26 November	Parish Retreat	Friday-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	

## 2024 Special Dates - draft only

DATE (& Day)	Event	Notes
4 February (Sunday)	Prayer for Mission Year	
14 February (Wed)	Ash Wednesday	
15 March	Quiz	David & Jo Winfield
17 March - Sunday	Harvest Thanksgiving	
24 March - Sunday	Preschool Service (11:15)	Palm Sunday Theme
24 March- Sunday	Begin Holy Week	
27 March - Wednesday	Tenebrae Service (7pm)	
28 March - Thursday	Maundy Thursday	(Term End for Preschool)
29 March - Friday	Good Friday	@St Peters
31 March - Sunday	Easter Day	
28 April - Sunday	Parish AGM	Commitment Sunday
12 May - Sunday	Petersgate Service	Mike & Gray Preaching.
19 May - Sunday	Pentecost/Confirmation (tbc)	
14 June - Friday	Book Sale	
23 June - Sunday	Preschool Service (11:15)	Matariki
30 June - Sunday	St Peter's Patronal Service	
7 July - Sunday	Nurse Maude Service	
4 August - Sunday	Racing Service	
1 September	Spring Service	
5, 6, 7 Sept	Synod	
8 Sept - Sunday	Preschool Service 11:15	5th Birthday Celebration
5 October	Plant Sale	
12 October	Garage Sale	

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	Midnight Service	
25 Dec - Wednesday	Christmas Day	