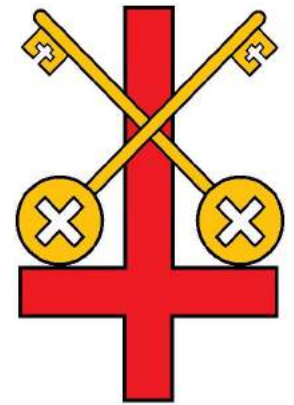


Welcome



to the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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



**14th April 2024
Easter 3**

New 10:45 Service

Lots of people have been asking me about the new service on Sunday. We have been so encouraged by the support of people coming along but also the prayers and general vibe. Everyone wants to know how many people came. I think 50 but I didn't count. The children had a wonderful time at Sunday School and folk really got into the stones around the cross exercise. The coffee was good too!



The people that come to support are vital. You are vital because you have long experience at being a Christian and your encouragement especially of the children and their families is so important. Why not ask a child what they have been doing in Sunday School and make interested noises. This goes such along way to making them feel valued and wanted. Talking to a young parent or simply smiling is worth gold.

This is a "soft" start which means we allow ourselves to make mistakes and learn as we go.

Well done everyone.

~ Nick



Join us on Live Stream for our Sunday Service

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

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News in the Parish

AGM Nomination



AGM on 28th April at 11:30am. Nominations are needed for the position of People's Warden, Vestry Members, Social Justice Rep, Youth Rep, Synod Reps and Mission Motivator. Synod reps also become Vestry members. There will be a form at the back of the church. Please get the agreement of the person before nominating them. Nominations close before the meeting and require a majority to vote for them in the meeting. Thank you for your prayerful attention to this important task. ~Vicar Nick

Office closed

Parish office will be closed for ANZAC day: Thursday 25 Apr. Office is also closed 26 & 29 April (Friday & Monday) as staff on leave.



Good Coffee

One of the taglines for the new service is to provide good coffee to the people coming to the service. We have



been researching machines that are easy and reliable to produce good, even great coffee. If you are willing to contribute towards the cost of a coffee machine, please talk to Peg. We are looking to raise \$1200.

Plant Sale

Fabulous news... potting soil has been bagged by the A Team and is available



from the potting shed. Now is a great time to divide and pot up perennials including hostas and peony roses. Hydrangeas can be cut, put in water and then potted once shoots appear. Just remember to record the flower colours. We need new growers and even if you can manage six plants that would be amazing. Happy gardening.

~Fiona 027 345 3478



This Week's Diary

Over the last week we have taken two groups of children on excursions in the local area.

On Friday 5th nearly all of our Kowhai Room children (age 3-5) walked to St Allisa's to share Easter greetings to the residents and staff. On a cold Friday morning 22 little Eskimos (wrapped up with jackets and hats) and 14 adults (including 7 parent helpers) walked to St Allisa's Rest Home. We were warmly greeted with a lounge full of residents who enjoyed the children's performance of 5 songs and the 'Dave the Donkey play' and an Easter card for each person.

Next week you'll find out about the other excursion.

~ Liz Orr

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Tuesday 16 April

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Staff Meeting — 9:15am, Atrium

Exercise Group — 9:30am, Parish Hall

Elms Court Service — 11:00am

Victory Youth — 7pm, Atrium

Wednesday — 17 April

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Wednesday Service — 10am, Church

Mahjong Club — 1:30pm, York Room

Thursday 18 April

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Choir — 7:30pm, Church

Friday 19 April

Meditation — 9:00am, Chapel

A-Team — 9am, by the hall

9-11am, Garage Sale Shed

St Allisa's Service — 10:30am

Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall

Saturday 20 April

Card making — 10:00am, Bowden Hall

Sunday 21 April

Rotary Service — 5:00pm, Church

Mission Table

Our next Mission Table will be held in the Atrium on Sunday April 14th. All donations of biscuits, cakes, loaves, muffins, sweets, sauces, pickles, jams and jellies, fresh fruit and vegetables, plants and knitted/craft items are always very welcome.

The money from this month's Mission Table will go to Saint Christopher's Home in Fiji. We have supported them for several years so look forward to your ongoing support.

As well as funds to go to St Christopher's in Fiji, through Partners in Prayer we will also give to the Diocese of Polynesia Emergency Response for natural disasters. The annual cyclone season and storm surges are becoming stronger due to climate change. It is important we support the small Pacific Islands in times of desperate need!

~ Jill & Noeline

He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day,

Luke 24:46



Worship Details

St Peter's Church
8:00am—Eucharist
9:15am—Eucharist
10:45am—Good News
Mandarin Service
2:00pm

Readings:

Acts 3: 12-19 *Witness to life*
Psalm 4
1 John 3.1-7 *God's Children*
Gospel Luke, 24: 36-46

Sentence

They will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.' (*John 10:16b*)

Collect

Let us pray know Christ in our gatherings...

**God of simple hospitality,
the risen Christ ate fish with the
disciples.**

**Grant us who eat bread with
you
to know you in our midst
and in all our gatherings.
Now and forever. Amen.**

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

God of love,
grant our prayer.

Next week:

Acts 4: 5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3: 16-24
John 10: 11-18



Prayer Focus

- For our mission partners
 - ⇒ **Petersgate:**
 - ◇ Pray for the new students.
 - ⇒ **Preschool:**
 - ◇ Thankfulness that both excursions went really well.
 - ◇ For 2 new enrolments each week.
- **Please pray for our new service,** for good music, good kids programme, good coffee and good news!
- **Other Prayers**

We pray for those in need of prayer, especially: Max, Margaret B, Bill G, Carole B, Marlene C, Joan G, Annette & Dave G, Margaret M, Allison R, Barbara F, John & Anne S, Irene Ch, Barbara F, Mary G and the Jacob Family.
- **Diocesan Prayers**

BRYNDWR
Vicar: The Rev'd Jacqui Stevenson (Timothy)
Priest Assistant: The Rev'd Dr Bob Robinson (Heather)
BURNSIDE-HAREWOOD
Vicar: Vacancy
Assistant Priest: The Rev'd Victoria Askin (until 30 April)



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Andrew McKerrow

Podcast Episode 3

Understanding Addiction



Join us in a moving episode where Andrew McKerrow shares his inspiring journey from addiction to redemption, guided by his Christian faith. Discover how Andrew's spiritual awakening fuelled his recovery and now empowers him to help others. We'll explore practical and spiritual insights for those battling addiction, offering a message of hope and the transformative power of faith. Whether you find yourself stuck in addiction, have a loved one who is struggling, or is curious about addiction, this episode is for you.

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2024 Special Dates

DATE (& Day)	Event	Notes
April	Thanksgiving for wardens and treasurers	
25 April (Thursday)	ANZAC Day	
28 April - Sunday	Parish AGM	Commitment Sunday
12 May - Sunday	Petersgate Service	Mike & Gray Preaching.
19 May - Sunday	Pentecost/Confirmation (tbc)	
3 Jun (Monday)	King's birthday	
14 June - Friday	Book Sale	
23 June - Sunday	Preschool Service (11:15)	Matariki
28 June (Friday)	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	
6 October	Pet Service/St Francis	Mike Baker Preaching.
12 October	Garage Sale	
20 October	St Luke's Patronal Service	
28 October (Friday)	Labour Day	
27 - 30 October	Parish Retreat	Friday - Sunday in LR
3 November	All Saints Sunday	
15 November (Friday)	Canterbury Show Weekend	

1 December	Advent Sunday	
8 December	Remembering the Departed	
	Preschool Service 11:15	Advent
15 December	Carol Services	St Luke's & St Peter's
24 Dec - Tuesday	Children's Nativity 5pm	
	Midnight Service	
25 Dec - Wednesday	Christmas Day	

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