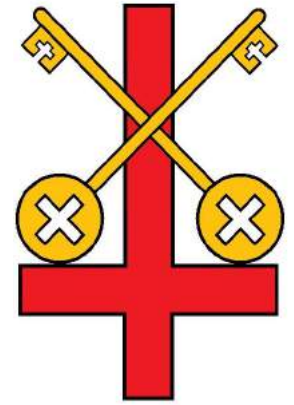


Welcome

HELLO  Kia Ora  nǐ hǎo
你好

to the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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



**21st April 2024
Easter 4**

Do we need a Good Shepherd??

Yes, we do. When Jesus says that he is the "Good Shepherd", Jesus isn't just calling himself a shepherd, but a "Good" shepherd. This is extremely important. By naming himself "Good", Jesus was claiming to be the promised Messiah. Jesus says that "there is only One who is Good" and that is God. (Mark 10:18)



So what does that do in our relationship with God? It is only the shepherd who knows the right path for the sheep to take. Only the shepherd can keep the sheep from going the wrong way and getting lost or hurt. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, is **our guide**. We have to acknowledge that without the shepherd's direction, we go astray. But by following our shepherd's leadership, we honour our relationship with our God.

~ Peg



Join us on Live Stream for our Sunday Service

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

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News in the Parish

AGM Nominations

The AGM is Sunday the 28th at 11:30am in St Peter's.

Nominations are still needed for People's Warden but we have lots of wonderful people nominated for Vestry.

Nominations close soon so Gin can make up the voting papers.

~Vicar Nick

Sunday Service roster for May

Hard copies are now available at the back of church.

Vestry Meeting

Next meeting is Wednesday 24th Apr. Please send reports to office by Monday 22nd Apr for circulation.

Prayer Community

Join the Diocesan Prayer Community. Launch: Trinity Sunday, 26th May. 10am Cardboard Cathedral.



Michael Pitman

You will recall that Michael who trains thoroughbreds in partnership with his son, Mathew, is a regular attender at our Grand National Racing Service. He has supported this service since its earliest days and frequently reads a Lesson. He is often South Island's leading trainer. At Riccarton on Saturday he achieved his career 2000th winner. A great achievement only equaled by one other in NZ's long racing history. Congratulations.

~Corin



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

These cooler Autumn days are wonderful to pot up plants using cuttings or when dividing plants. If you have any spare bulbs including tulips, lily of the valley, irises and daffodils, grab some soil and pots from the shed. Strawberry runners can be potted up now and other herbs. Check out the Gateway for some useful tips! If we can help in anyway, please ask.

We also need more single pots as shown in the picture.



~Fiona 027 345 3478
Ann, Diane and Angela

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.





Proudly helping
bring children back
to Church Corner

On Monday 8th we took 7 Kauri (School Readiness) Programme children to the Upper Riccarton Library. It was a lovely sunny morning to walk up the Main South Road to the Library.

We started by joining in the weekly preschoolers music and movement session. The children then explored the books, and other resources available in the Children's library. It was lovely to see children sitting attentively for stories read by some of the adults in our group.

Both this excursion and the one on Friday 5th to St Allisa's went really well, and the children enjoyed exploring our local area.

~ Liz Orr

stpeterspreschool@mcctrust.nz



Mission Table

Funds raised last Sunday were \$456.60, including \$169.20 from the Exercise Class! Thank you very much for all your contributions.

The funds to go to St Christophers in Fiji, through Partners in Prayer we will also give to the Diocese of Polynesia Emergency Responses 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



This Week's Diary

Sunday 21 April

Rotary Service — 5:00pm, Church

Tuesday 23 April

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Staff Meeting — 9:15am, Atrium

Exercise Group — 9:30am, Parish Hall

Care Bears — 4pm, Atrium

Victory Youth — 5:15pm, Atrium

Wednesday — 24 April

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Wednesday Service — 10am, Church

Mahjong Club — 1:30pm, York Room

Vestry Meeting — 7pm, Atrium

Thursday 25 April - office closed (ANZAC)

Choir — 7:30pm, Church

Friday 26 April - office closed

Meditation — 9:00am, Chapel

A-Team — 9am, by the hall

9-11am, Garage Sale Shed

Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall

Sunday 28 April

AGM — 11:30am, Church

Monday 29 April — office closed

I am the good shepherd; I know
my sheep and my sheep know me

John 3:14



Worship Details

St Peter's Church
8:00am—Eucharist
9:15am—Eucharist
10:45am—Good News
St Luke's Church
9:30am—Eucharist
Mandarin Service
2:00pm

Readings:

Acts 4: 5-12 *God lives in union with us*

Psalm 23

1 John 3: 16-24 *The love of God*

Gospel John, 10: 11-18

Sentence

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

Collect

Let us pray to be gathered by Christ

**God our Shepherd,
you long for us
to be gathered into one fold.
Help us so to hear your voice,
that we know you as our True
Shepherd;
and gather with the least as
with the proud.
In Christ's name we ask it.
Amen.**

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

Loving Shepherd,
hear our prayer.

Next week:

Acts 10: 44-48

Psalm 98

1 John 5: 1-6

John 15: 9-17



Prayer Focus

- For our mission partners
 - ⇒ **Petersgate:**
 - ◇ Pray for the new students.
 - ⇒ **Preschool:**
 - ◇ A refreshing holiday for staff and children on holiday this week.
 - ◇ 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**

Arcady Hall and Board of Governors
Principal: Prof. Sonia Mazey
Board Chair: Mr Tim Bell
College House and Board of Governors
Principal: Mr Richard Taylor
Board Chair: Mr Jono Brent
N.Z. Missionary in Cape Town: The Rev'd Michael Lapsley SSM



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Beatrice Lim

Podcast Episode 4

Understanding Worship Leading Trauma



Today I sit down with Beatrice from NicelySaucedNZ. We discuss her experience as a Worship Leader, what it means to her to be a Christian, and break down her struggles with people pleasing. Beatrice has an online shop for her business and if you are a fan of dips or spreads, you can find her sauces at.

<https://www.nicelysauced.co.nz/>

Click here to watch the Full Episode: [PodCast](#)

For future livestreams, watch here on our YouTube Channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/@stpeterschristchurch/streams>

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PRAYER

COMMUNITY

Join the Diocesan Prayer Community to pray daily for personal renewal and the regeneration of our Diocese. "Unless the Lord builds the house those who build it labour in vain." Psalm 127:1

Launch 26 May, 2024

10am, Cardboard Cathedral

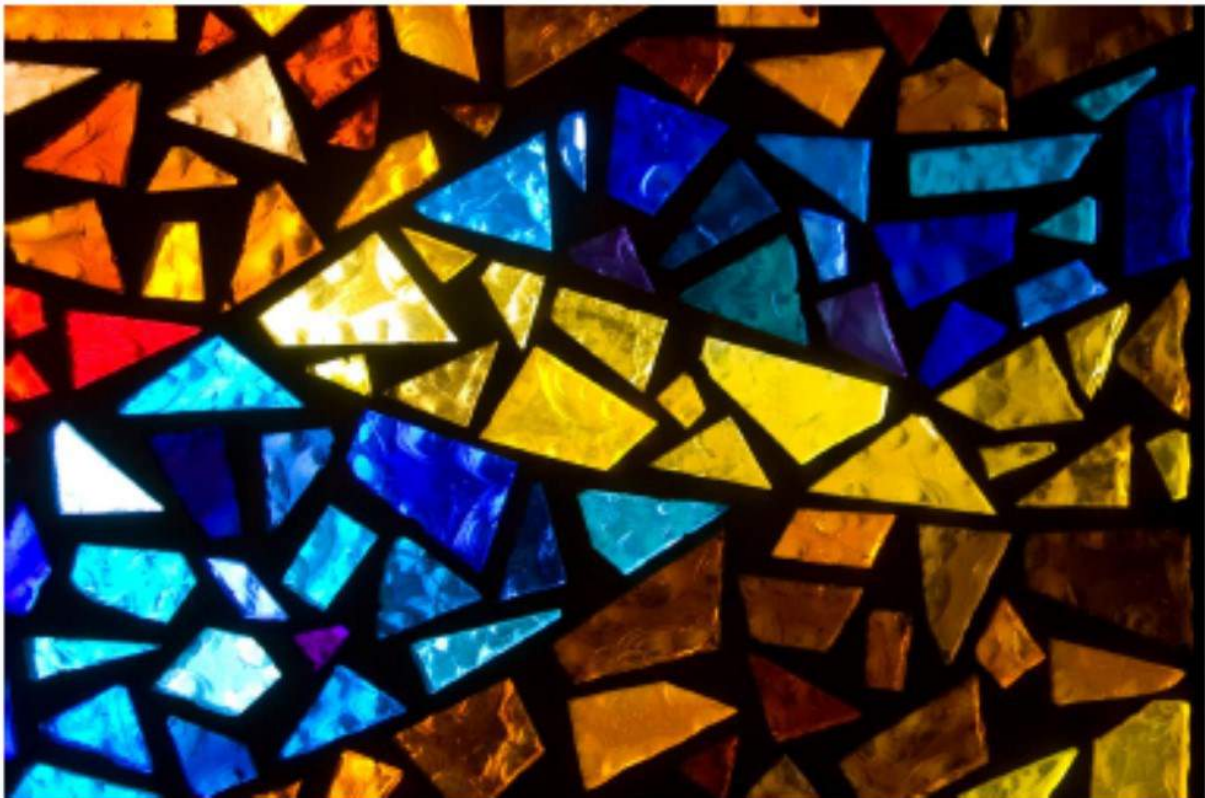
2pm, St Mary's Timaru

What does it involve? A daily commitment to...

- Read and reflect on a passage of scripture
- Pray the Lord's Prayer
- Pray the Diocesan Prayer for Regeneration
- Pray for the regeneration of our Diocese using the Prayer Fuel emailed to you.



Attending to the needs of people in midlife



6 Whitewash Head Road, Scarborough,
Christchurch 8081, New Zealand

1 May 2024
9:30 am - 4pm

Book now!

<https://www.sistereretreat.com/event-details/attending-to-the-needs-of-people-in-midlife>

*Please join us for a special day for clergy, church teams and
pastoral teams and workers,*

exploring ways in which congregations can be intentional about supporting
people who may be navigating significant transitions in life and faith.

Based on Anne Shave's PhD research into the experiences of
Presbyterian, Anglican and Catholic churchgoers, and her recently-
published book *Faith and Hope in Midlife: Reflecting on Churchgoers'
Experiences*, this will be a day with time for interaction as well as a good
chunk of quiet time for personal reflection. People of all ages are welcome
to attend.

About your host

Dr Anne Shave graduated with her doctorate in Theology from the
University of Otago in 2018. Her research explored the experiences of
Christians in midlife, within Catholic, Anglican and Presbyterian
congregations in New Zealand. In 2019 Anne was a scholar in residence
at Vaughan Park Anglican Retreat Centre in Auckland and also completed
a short course in retreat direction and spiritual guidance at St Beuno's
Jesuit Spirituality Centre in Wales. Formerly a secondary-school English
teacher, Anne is now employed part-time at Cashmere Presbyterian
Church and also works as a tutor at disability support and service provider
Hōhepa Canterbury. She is currently completing a post-graduate
certificate in Ministry Supervision through Laidlaw College in Auckland.

Cost (fully catered): \$100.

You have the option to arrive earlier or stay longer by booking
extra nights (self-catered and guided) at Sister Eveleen.

Let us know upon registration.

*Our fees are set low to encourage participation in our programme and ministry, and
do not represent the true cost of the upkeep and maintenance
of this wonderful historic house.*

If you are able, we would welcome your additional contribution.

*If you would like a donation tax receipt for anything in excess of the base cost,
please let us know.*

*On the other hand, if you'd like to attend but the cost is prohibitive,
please get in touch as we may be able to assist you.*

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.