

Otago Peninsula Anglican Parish

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Sunday 30th January 2022
4th Sunday of the Epiphany
Te Rātapu Tuatoru o te Whakaaturanga
10.00am at St Nicholas', Waverley

Readings

Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6
1 Corinthians 13:1-13
Luke 4:21-30

Sentence

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. Isaiah 60:1

Collect

Loving God, your loving purpose and mercy exceed all imagining. Remove from us any narrowness of mind or heart that limits your grace, and strengthen our will to follow wherever you may lead us. Through Jesus Christ our Liberator, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

DIARY THIS WEEK: Monday 31st January to Sunday 6th February

FOR ALL EVENTS A VACCINE PASS IS REQUIRED

Tuesday: 10am - Macandrew Bay House-group

Wednesday: 10am - Midweek Communion at Jean Marchant's home

Sunday: 10am - Holy Communion at St Nicholas', Waverley

Notices

Combined Parishes Picnic: The Venerable Jan Clark has kindly extended a warm invitation to the Taieri and Otago Peninsula Parishes to join the Southern Coastal Deanery at a picnic after church on Sunday 30th January (today). It is to be held at Sandra and David Baird 's home at 17 Riccarton Road, East Taieri, or if wet at St Mark's, Green Island. Please bring your own food and refreshments.

Annual Leave

The Reverend Dr Tony Martin, Priest Missioner, will be on annual leave from 31st January to 14th February. In his absence please contact either the Reverend Alison Latton or the Reverend Mary Greet for pastoral matters.

Boundaries Workshops: The Diocesan Ministry Educators are leading a series of Diocese-wide *Boundaries* Workshops in February and March. Attendance at a *Boundaries* workshop every three years is an essential requirement for those with a Licence or Permission to Officiate from the Bishop.

The Dunedin dates are Wednesday 16th February (6:00-9:00 pm) or Saturday 19th March (9:00am-12:00 noon), both at St Mark's, Green Island.

Help for Tonga: Anglican Missions is working closely with the Anglican Diocese of Polynesia and has launched an Appeal. Funds will be used to replenish prepositioned relief supplies located at four Anglican churches in Nuku'alofa, and other relief activities. Donations can be made via the Anglican Missions website (<https://angmissions.org.nz/donate>), or parishioners can bring donations to church in an envelope marked "Tonga" to contribute to a gift to the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga congregation at St Michael's to help their families in Tonga.

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Tuesday 1 – 5 pm & Thursday 1 – 5 pm

Prayers

The Wider Church

Today we pray for the agencies and organisations that Anglican Missions works in collaboration with for the various projects, appeals and campaigns throughout the year.

In the Diocese

Our prayers this morning are for the Parish of Winton and Wyndham Faith Community, and Otara – Richard Johnson

From the Parish Roll

This Sunday in our prayers we remember Anne Stratford, and Mary Taylor.

In the Community

We pray for our school communities as teachers and families prepare to return to school under the new Covid-19 protocols. We pray that all our tamariki may resume their learning happily and safely.

Life Guide Lenten Bible Study - "Hope, Your Heart's Deepest Longings" This is an inductive Bible study, designed to help you discover for yourself what Scripture is saying. The study includes three types of questions. *Observation* questions ask about the basic facts: who, what, when, where and how. *Interpretation* questions delve into the meaning of the passage. *Application* questions help you discover the implications of the text for growing in Christ. These three keys unlock the treasures of Scripture. There is no cost for participants but please bring a Bible. The Reverend Dr Tony Martin will lead the studies on Wednesday evenings at St Michael's Church (venue to be confirmed), starting at 7.30pm, with a cup of coffee or tea, finishing at 9.00pm. The first study of the series will be on Wednesday 2nd March, Ash Wednesday.

"Sentinels" Lenten Study - This year's Lenten Study from Theology House in Christchurch and the Anglican Movement (Diocese of Wellington) is entitled "Sentinels: Discerning New Life". Parishioners are encouraged to attend the Life Guide Lenten Bible Study, but those who are unable to attend the Wednesday evening study may like to be part of a smaller self-led group. Groups will be based in Andersons Bay (after the Midweek Communion service) and Macandrew Bay (Tuesdays at 10.30am). If you are interested in this option as well as the main Parish Lenten Study, please talk to Claire Brown or Elizabeth Purdie. (Numbers are needed to order the booklets.)

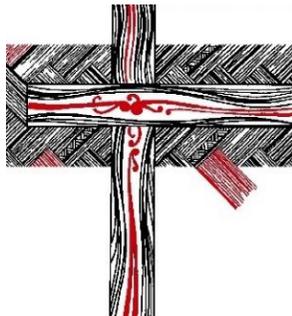
Covid 19 Precautions at the Red Traffic Light Setting

Our services now need to adapt to meet the new requirements. We will again need to wear masks at church (people officiating, reading and leading prayers can unmask while they are speaking) and the 25 person capacity at St Nicholas' will need to be observed. Communion in one kind only (the bread, not the wine) is strongly recommended, and we are to avoid physical contact at the Peace.

Update on the St Michael's Upgrade

This week the electricians have been busy with the rewiring, and the work on the tile roof of the church is almost complete. We've unscrewed the pews from the floor, and begun the process of removing them from the church to make access easier for the electricians, painters and re-carpeting. We will be retaining some of the pews, but the surplus pews are being sold. If you are interested in purchasing one of these, please discuss it with the Wardens or Kt Girling. There is a lot of sorting out and boxing up of material from the Office and Vestry to be done, and Elizabeth is organising a team to undertake this.

We have made the decision to keep the church closed until the work is completed, which may not be until late April. Accordingly, all services for the next three months will be taken at St Nicholas' in Waverley, although we are looking at another option for Wednesday services, at a venue closer to St Michael's.



Next week's readings:

Isaiah 6:1-8,(9-13)

Psalm 138

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Luke 5:1-11

