

Otago Peninsula Anglican Parish

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Tuesday 1 - 5 pm Thursday 1 - 5 pm



Sunday 29th January 2023 4th Sunday of the Epiphany Te Rātapu Tuawhā o te Whakaaturanga

Readings

Micah 6: 1-8
Psalm 15
1 Corinthians 1: 18-end
Matthew 5: 1-12

Sentence

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

Collect

Teach us, Jesus, how to live
and worship without being
worldly or greedy. Drive from
our lives what spoils them
and make us temples of the
Spirit; for the glory of your
holy name. Amen.

DIARY THIS WEEK: Monday 30th January – Sunday 5th February 2023

Tuesday: 10.00am - House Group at Macandrew Bay

Sunday: 10.00am - Holy Communion at St Michael's

Notices

Priest-in-charge Appointment

We are waiting for confirmation from Bishop Steve as to when the Rev. Michael Holdaway is to be installed as Priest-in-charge of the Parish. Currently we're anticipating mid to late March. We are delighted that Michael will be full-time in the Parish. Vestry's strong wish, supported by Bishop Steve and Diocesan Council, is to re-establish a mission focus within and beyond the Parish, and so we have made a commitment to fund the full-time Priest's position partly using accumulated Parish funds for three years in the first instance.

Ralph and Elizabeth

Covid Precautions

Although masks are no longer required in church you are strongly encouraged to continue to wear them. Please continue to use the sanitiser on entering and leaving. Spaced seating is now not required, but please be considerate of others' need to have space around them. Likewise in greeting one another at the Peace, please take a cue from others and respect their wishes. We can now have Communion in both kinds, the wine and the wafers. However parishioners may still prefer not to share the common cup and to take Communion in one kind only. As Bishop Steven has reassured us, you still receive Communion in full if you take only one kind. Most important, don't come to church if you are at all unwell. By taking careful steps forward, we protect ourselves, our families, and those around us who are especially vulnerable.

Easter Activity Packs

Children's Easter Activity packs will soon be available. Contact Elizabeth Purdie if you would to receive one (or more) for children or grandchildren, or for young families of neighbours or friends (phone 476 1650).

Online Services

A reminder of the monthly on-line next held Sunday 26th February 2023 at 10am. To find Sunday church services that are held online, go to the Diocesan website at <https://www.calledsouth.org.nz/on-line-worship/>

Become a Mission Focused Church

In a recent issue of Tui Motu Inter Islands Magazine there is a thought provoking article on what it really means to be a missional church

Neil Darragh discusses how Christian communities need to shift from a focus on themselves to seeing service in the realm of God as their primary focus. Click on link below to read this article.

<https://hail.to/diocese-of-dunedin/publication/YtsOKD9/article/ZleCK30>

Greetings from Palestine

Come and meet Brother Peter Bray, FSC, Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University, the first and only Christian University in Palestine. Peter will speak about the experiences and challenges his students face today.

- **When:** Tuesday 31 January 2023, 7 pm
- **Where:** Holy Name Catholic Church, 420 Great King Street, Dunedin.

<https://hail.to/diocese-of-dunedin/publication/YtsOKD9/article/9CzQ6ib>

Personal Retreats/Quiet Day continue to offer a space for silent personal reflection and time apart on the 4th Friday of each month 10am to 4pm (3pm winter). In March, May and November these are replaced by Guided Retreat Days on a Saturday.

- Venue: St Margaret's Anglican Church, 4 Seaview Terrace Brighton.
- Bring those materials you require and your own lunch. Hot drinks provided.
- Participants are invited to make an offering of a Koha to defray expenses.
- For further information or to register please phone Maureen Harley on 03 456 0573; 021 1071 401

Solar Power

If you are interested in considering solar power as an option, Church Army NZ have teamed up with Solar Hub, and savings start from the first year. If you are interested then email Moni Clark (who is the National Director of Church Army NZ): monicclarke1@gmail.com or phone her 027 4700279. A supply of flyers will be available in the Harding Lounge, and will also be emailed with the Pew News.

Prayers

The Wider Church

Today we pray the Province of Central Africa and the Province of Uganda.

In the Diocese

Today we pray for the Parish of Western Southland – St Mary, Riverton; St George, Tuatapere and the local Priests – Rev'd Leah Boniface, Rev'd Jean Soper; Rev'd Wayne Soper. We also pray for the Hospital Chaplains – Vivienne Galletly, Cameron Sinclair & Mark Chamberlain in Dunedin; Andrea Gerry in Invercargill; Rev'd Lisa Barlow (Spiritual Care Co-ordinator) at Dunedin Hospice.

From the Parish Roll

This Sunday we pray for Maryalycce Reed, Alan and Jill Richards, Wayne and Glenys Ryalls.

Those who have asked for prayer

Peter Stapleton's sister Dorothy

David Horne

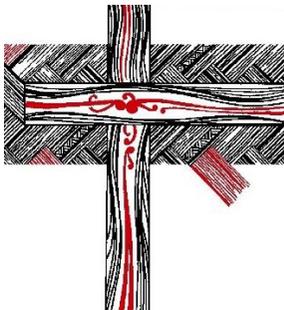
Barbara Gillies

In the Community

We pray for our school communities as staff and students prepare to begin a new year, remembering especially families who are struggling to meet the increased cost of school supplies, equipment and uniforms. We pray for those travelling home from holiday at this time, that they may reach their destination safely. And we remember in our prayers the families of the many people drowned at New Zealand beaches, lakes, and rivers over the summer months.

St Michael and All

Angels: Elliot Street,
Andersons Bay



Next week's readings:

Isaiah 58: 1-9a (9b-12)

Psalms 112: 1-9 (10)

1 Corinthians 2: 1-12,
(13-16)

Matthew 5:13-20