

# Otago Peninsula Anglican Parish

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## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent Te Rātapu Tuarua o Rēneti

### Readings

Genesis 12: 1-4a  
Psalm 121  
Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17  
John 3: 1-17 or  
Matthew 17: 1-9

### Sentence

God so loved the world that he gave  
his only Son, so that everyone who  
believes in him may not perish but  
may have eternal life.

John 3: 16

### Collect

Come Holy Spirit, to all baptised  
in your name, that we may turn  
to good whatever lies ahead.  
Give us passion, give us fire;  
make us transform the world  
from what it is, to what you  
have created it to be. This we  
ask through Jesus Christ our  
Lord. Amen

## **DIARY THIS WEEK: Monday March 6<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**Tuesday:** 10.00am - House Group at Macandrew Bay

**Wednesday:** 10.00am - Midweek Eucharist at St Michael's

**Thursday:** 10.00am - Playgroup at St Philip's

7.00pm - Vestry Meeting in the Harding Lounge

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

## **Notices**

### **Installation Service**

The Bishop will conduct the installation service for our new Priest in Charge, the Reverend Michael Holdaway, on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 5pm at St Michael's Church. Please keep this important date free. More details will be available as arrangements are finalised.

### **Communion Wafers**

Gluten-free communion wafers are currently unavailable from all the New Zealand suppliers we have contacted, except one who stocks German-made GF wafers at a high cost. Vestry has reluctantly decided to return to using standard communion wafers for most communicants, reserving our stock of GF wafers for those who require them only. We will put a sign in the porch for any visitors who are gluten-free, asking them to let the welcomer or the lay minister know to ensure they receive a GF wafer at communion.

### **Parish magazine**

Contributions and Annual Reports for the next Parish magazine need to be with the Parish Secretary by tomorrow, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March. The Parish magazine should be available on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Parish AGM**

The date of 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023 has been set and this will follow the 10.00am service. We need nominations for Vestry members, for two lay Synod representatives, and for the position of People's Warden. Nomination forms will be available at church or from the Parish Secretary.

### **Online Services**

A reminder of the monthly on-line next held Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 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/>

## **Covid Precautions**

Just a reminder, don't come to church if you are unwell. By taking careful steps forward, we protect ourselves, our families, and those around us who are especially vulnerable.

## **Anglican Missions 2023 Lenten Appeal.** The projects for 2023 are:

In Fiji, we're supporting the Mud Brick Project

In Northern Ethiopia, we're supporting the Bricks for Life project

In the Middle East, we're supporting the School Heating Project

Make a payment online: 02-0585-0001796-00

Please write the name of the project you wish to support in the Reference

or click on the following link: <https://anglicanmissions.org.nz/donate/am/>

## **Lenten Resources**

Ash Wednesday 22 February marked the start of Lent in 2023. The Diocesan Office have gathered a range of resources for you to use with others (or on your own) during this 40 day period. Click on the link below to check these resources out.

<https://hail.to/diocese-of-dunedin/publication/FE3Tm7A/article/M5eo7dO>

**Dunedin Anglican Young Adult Group** is meeting on Tuesday March 7<sup>th</sup> at 66 Highcliff Road. This is a fortnightly gathering which brings together young adults from different parishes. If you are 18yrs to 35yrs, or know someone who is, and who is interested in becoming part of a young adult group, let them know about this. The group comes together to pray, read the Bible, discuss different topics, and form a community of Anglican young adults. There is a variety of topics and social events throughout the year. Click on link for more info:

<https://hail.to/diocese-of-dunedin/publication/nxFTswV/article/dmNSqr>

## **Climate Change**

It is timely to reflect once more on what we can do in our own communities to live more sustainably and contribute to efforts to rein in lifestyle choices that contribute to climate change. Click on the link below for ideas and information

<https://hail.to/diocese-of-dunedin/publication/FE3Tm7A/article/UBtndl3>

## **Prayers**

### **The Wider Church**

Today we pray for those swept over by natural disasters, and for those who extend their hands to pick them back up.

### **In the Diocese**

Today we pray for the Bluff co-operating Parish – St Matthew, which is currently under the oversight of the Methodist Church; we pray for the Parish of Caversham – St Peter and the vicar Rev'd Natalie Milliken.

### **From the Parish Roll**

This Sunday we pray for Don and April Woodward, Kevin and Clemency Wright.

### **Those who have asked for prayer**

David Horne

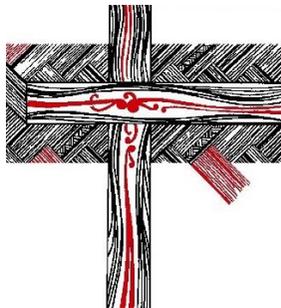
### **In the Community**

As summer ends, we give thanks for the pleasant weather we have enjoyed in the south, and hold in our prayers all affected by adverse weather events in the North Island.

### **A Prayer from Bishop Steven for those affected by Cyclone Gabrielle**

God of all consolation,  
grant to those who sorrow  
the spirit of faith and courage,  
that they may have the strength to meet the days to come  
with steadfastness and patience;  
not sorrowing without hope,  
but trusting in your goodness;  
through him who is the resurrection and the life,  
Jesus Christ our Saviour  
Amen

**St Michael and All  
Angels:** Elliot Street,  
Andersons Bay



### **Next week's readings:**

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm 95

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42