

Otago Peninsula Anglican Parish

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Sunday 29th May 2022

7th Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension)

Te Rātapu Tuawhitu o te Aranga

St Nicholas' Secularisation Service

10am at St Nicholas', Waverley

Readings

Acts 1: 1-11

Psalms 47

Ephesians 1: 15-23

Luke 24: 44-53

Sentence

God has raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named.

Ephesians 1:20–21

Collect

Eternal God, no sight or thought can follow Christ this day; your dazzling purpose only faith may guess: draw our dull hearts and sluggish minds to follow you. 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 30th May – Sunday 5th June

FOR ALL EVENTS A VACCINE PASS IS REQUIRED

ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO COVID-19 SETTINGS ALLOWING THESE GATHERINGS TO TAKE PLACE SAFELY

Wednesday: 10.00am - Midweek Eucharist at St Michael's, Andersons Bay

Thursday: No Playgroup this week while we prepare our new venue

Sunday: See information in the notices below for options

Notices

St Nicholas' Church Thanksgiving and Secularisation Service, this Sunday 29th May at 10am.

All are warmly invited to the Parish service at St Nicholas' on Sunday. We welcome Bishop Steven, who will lead the service and complete the process of secularisation. We will need to adhere to current covid protocols regarding mask-wearing, distancing and ventilation, but under the present settings we anticipate an increased church capacity of 45, which will hopefully accommodate all those who wish to attend. Following the service there will be morning tea in the hall, and an opportunity to share some St Nic's reminiscences. The service will be livestreamed. Please forward this email to anyone you know who is unwell, or former St Nic's friends who are out of town and unable to attend, but might like to see the service. To connect via the link below, put your computer cursor over the blue text, and press Ctrl+Click.

The link to the service on Sunday is [St Nicholas' Anglican Church](#)

From the Wardens

Our Priest Missioner, Tony, the Wardens and Vestry have agreed that following the secularisation service at St Nicholas' this Sunday, our first Sunday service in the Parish will be on 19th June at St Michael's. This service will mark our coming together as one faith community and celebrate the reopening of the refurbished church.

From a practical point of view, taking this two week break will enable the final tasks to be completed in the upgrade of St Michael's. But also, importantly, it will allow us all to take time to pray about and prepare for our common life together as one united faith community.

As there won't be a Sunday service in the parish on these two dates, parishioners may like to join another congregation to celebrate the Day of Pentecost on Sunday 5th June and Trinity Sunday on 12th June.

Here are some options:

The Cathedral (no Vaccine Pass required) – Sunday services are at 8am, 10am & 6pm

Holy Cross, St Kilda (Vaccine Pass only) – the Sunday service is at 11am

St Peter's, Caversham (no Vaccine Pass required) – Sunday services are at 8am, 10.30am & 5pm on 5th June, and 8am & 10.30am on 12th June

St Luke's on the Taieri (no Vaccine Pass required) – the Sunday service is at 10am

Online services

To find Sunday church services that are held online, go to the Diocesan website at <https://www.calledsouth.org.nz/on-line-worship/>

If anyone would like a copy of either of the two *Spiritual Communion* services we have sent previously, just email Danielle at the Parish Office who will be able to email or post these to you.

Annual Leave

Our Priest Missioner, Tony, will be on annual leave from Wednesday 1st June to Sunday 12th June inclusive.

Wednesday Service this week

There will be a mid-week Eucharist in the Parish this Wednesday 1st June at 10am at St Michael's Church, Andersons Bay.

St Michael's Upgrade

Carpet installation is in progress. The final tasks will be completed over the next couple of weeks, in preparation for the first service in the renovated building on the 19th June.

Prayers

The Wider Church

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

In the Diocese

Our prayers this morning are for the Parish of Western Southland – St Mary, Riverton and St George, Tuatapere. Local priests – Rev'd Leah Boniface, Rev'd Jean Soper, Rev'd Wayne Soper. We also pray for Hospital Chaplains.

From the Parish Roll

This Sunday we pray for Allan and Aven Hamilton, Kate Hamilton and Warren Smith, Noah and Charlotte.

Those who have asked for prayer

Raewyn

In the Community

We pray today for the Church and people of St Nicholas', and for us all as together we go forward as one faith community.

God remains with us,

Though we let go of our cherished place.

God remains with us,

Though we may sing new songs and worship in new ways.

God remains with us,

Though we may serve in different ways and pursue different causes.

God remains with us,

Though we find new friends in our united congregation.

God's love remains with us, God is eternally with us.

Thanks be to God.

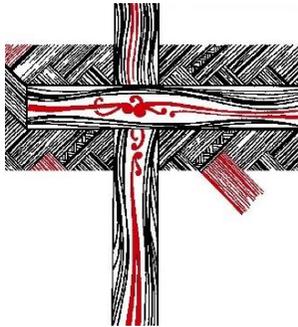
Amen

St Michael's:

Elliot Street,
Andersons Bay

St Nicholas':

Dunrobin Street,
Waverley



Next week's readings:

Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis
11:1-9; Psalm 104:24-34,
35b; Romans 8:14-17 or
Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-
17,(25-27).

The reading from Acts
must be used as either
the 1st or 2nd reading.

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Tuesday 1- 5 pm

Thursday 1 –5 pm