

Otago Peninsula Anglican Parish

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Sunday 7th November 2021
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Te Rātapu Toru Tekau mā rua o He wā noa iho
10am at St Michael's, Andersons Bay

Readings

1 Kings 17: 8-16
Psalm 146
Hebrews 9: 24-28
Mark 12: 38-44

Sentence

Give and it will be given to you.
A good measure, pressed down,
shaken together, running over, will
be put into your lap; for the measure
you give will be the measure
you get back. Luke 6: 38

Collect

Compassionate God, you love the
widow and the orphan, the poor and
the marginalized; you provide for us in
our hour of need, make us willing to
share what we have received, giving
even the smallest gift with great love,
as an act of generous worship to 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, November 8th to Sunday, November 14th

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

- Tuesday:** 10am - Macandrew Bay House-group
Wednesday: 10am - Mid-week communion at St Michael's
7.30pm - AAW Meeting in Harding Lounge
Thursday: 10am - St Nicholas' Playgroup (on hold until Level 1)
7.00pm - Vestry Meeting in Harding Lounge
Sunday: 10am - Holy Communion at St Nicholas', Waverley

Message from Tony for the week

“There are times in our life when we face desperate situations; situations in which we find our resources, strength, health, or friends are depleted. Sometimes we find ourselves scraping the bottom of the barrel of our lives. So, I am sure you have asked, why does God allow us to get into the barrel-scraping business? Why does the Lord allow the barrel of our lives to reach rock-bottom where we are depleted, desperate, discouraged, or depressed? We will find some of the answers to these questions in this morning's lesson from 1 Kings 17:8 ff. Times were hard in Israel. King Ahab was ruling over the nation, and he had led them into gross idolatry and sin. So God sent a drought that lasted for three and a half years. Well ... it was a time of religious decline ... of natural disasters ... with appallingly ignorant and destructive forces at work ... at both the community and political level. And the intent and outcome was the destruction of true religion and to substitute it with idolatry. Now, there are many approaches that we could take with this text. There are many great lessons to be learned. One of the heroes of the faith is a central figure in this story. Elijah's experiences certainly give valuable insight to our Christian journey. But let us consider the life of the widow who lived in Zarephath.”

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Tuesday 1 – 5 pm

Thursday 1 – 5 pm

Notices

Details for Sunday Services during November

7th and 14th November at St Michael's

21st and 28th November at St Nicholas'

St Michael's AAW will meet on Wednesday 10th November at 7:30 pm in the Harding Lounge when our speaker will be the Rev'd Dr Anne van Gend. Visitors are welcome.

Tony's Inauguration Service

This event is planned for Sunday 21st November from 4pm – 7pm. Keep this date free. More information will be available later.

Bed pushing at the Hospital Chapel

Our Parish is rostered for bed-pushing on Sunday 30th January 2022 at the Hospital Chapel, just as long as services have resumed. Please keep this date free to join us, if possible.

Advent Quiet Day - a day set aside to reflect on the invitation and the promise of Advent. Saturday 27th November 10am to 4pm at St Margaret's Anglican Church, 4 Seaview Terrace Brighton. Registration is essential. To register and for further information please phone Maureen 03 456 0573 or 021 1071401.

Karakia for our Climate

Join with others all around the motu in praying for our climate during this year's UN climate change conference in Glasgow (COP26). The conference runs from 31st October to 12th November. A livestreamed daily devotion will happen at 8pm on Facebook every day during the conference. There will be a closing vigil in main centres around the country on Friday 12th November: there is one at 5:30pm in Dunedin at Knox Church. To find out more, go to: <https://www.ecochurch.org.nz/karakia-for-our-climate>

Re-vamped Ministry School – new date of 20th November 10am-4pm

Stage 2 of Synod, that was to take place on 6th November has been postponed. Further details will be provided at a later date.

Prayers

The Wider Church

We pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea and the theological education and educators. We pray for the Principals of Newton Theological College and Kerina Evangelists' College, and we pray for all the students and their families.

In the Diocese

Our prayers this morning are for the East Otago Faith Communities – St Mary's Palmerston, St John's Waikouaiti. We also pray for Vicar-General - Jan Clark; Deputy Vicar-General - Anne van Gend; Diocesan Chancellor - Lauren Pegg; Registrar - Andrew Metcalfe; Accountant - Fiona Gray; Senior Accounts Clerk - Dominique Aitcheson; Bishop's EA - Nicola Wong.

In our Parish

Those who have asked for prayer - Natalie Ellis Wilson and H Robert Wilson

From the Parish Roll

This Sunday in our prayers we remember Diane Jackson, Celia Joyce

In the Community

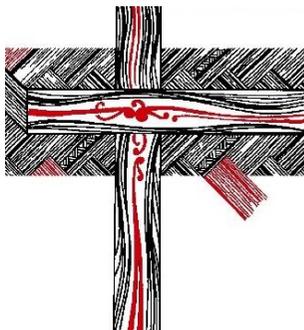
We pray that those in authority in the nations of the world will work for peace and justice, and at this time of the COP-26 International Meeting, we especially pray for leadership in decision-making to combat climate change.

St Michael's:

Elliot Street,
Andersons Bay

St Nicholas':

Dunrobin Street,
Waverley



Next week's readings:

Deuteronomy 8: 6-10
1 Corinthians 3: 6-9a
Matthew 6: 19- 24 or
25-end