

Otago Peninsula Anglican Parish

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Sunday 17th October 2021
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Te Rātapu Rua Tekau mā iwa o He wā noa iho
10am at St Nicholas', Waverley

Readings

Isaiah 53: 4-12
Psalm 91 :9-16
Hebrews 5: 1-10
Mark 10: 35-45

Sentence

The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.
Mark 10: 4

Collect

God of power, in Christ you came to us as a servant; the greatest became the least. In a world which values privilege and power, may we find the humble way, putting others before ourselves, sharing our resources and witnessing to the life of the one who redeems. 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, October 18th to Sunday, October 24th

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

Message from Tony for the week

"Greetings everyone and I trust you have been able to avoid the wintery blast this week. Our service this week is at St Nicholas' Church and I will be preaching on the Epistle for the day – Hebrews 5:1-10. I have a confession to make in that I cannot recall the last time I preached from Hebrews and similarly I wonder when was the last time you heard a sermon expounding a passage from Hebrews? So it will be an interesting moment for us all on Sunday. My question, which I hope to answer, is what does mediator mean and how important is it that we have one between humanity and God? Here is something to think about: A mediator is one who stands between two parties in order to establish friendly relations. This usually presupposes that the situation existing between the two parties is one of alienation which the mediator then attempts to overcome. In the Old Testament, the supreme example of a mediator, is Moses. As ascending and priestly mediator he pleads for the people of Israel to God; as descending and prophetic mediator he conveys the commands of God to the people. Hebrews 5 presents an image central to our faith: Jesus Christ as the mediator ... or using another term ... the high priest ... who stands before God ... on behalf of all humanity ... as descending and prophetic mediator he conveys the will and activity of God to humanity; and as ascending and priestly mediator he offers up two things: firstly prayers or intercessions and, secondly and terrifyingly, sacrifice for our sin. See you Sunday! Warm regards, Tony"

Missions

Thank you to everyone who has returned Missions box to church. If you haven't yet done this, please bring it along this coming Sunday.

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Tuesday 1 – 5 pm

Thursday 1 – 5 pm

Notices

Changes to Sunday Services

Please note that our Sunday service rotation has changed from this month onwards.

The 10 am Sunday service on the first and second Sundays of the month will be held at St Michael's, and the 10 am Sunday service on the third and fourth Sundays of the month will be held at St Nicholas'.

This is to accommodate the Rev'd Dr Tony Martin's programme, to enable Tony to take services in the Parish on the first and third Sunday of each month. Fifth Sundays will be allocated by turn to St Nicholas' and St Michael's.

If you're unsure where Church will be on any given Sunday, the Pew News for the week will always have this information.

Details for October and November

3rd and 10th October at St Michael's

17th, 24th and 31st October at St Nicholas'

7th and 14th November at St Michael's

21st and 28th November at St Nicholas'

Next Parish Roster Planning meeting to be held on Thursday 4th November at 7.30pm at the Harding Lounge at St Michael's.

PRAYERS

The Wider Church

We pray for the work of the Anglican Overseas Aid and of the Australian Anglican Board of Mission. Especially we pray for their work among the Indigenous people of Australia and for continued reconciliation and justice.

In the Diocese

Our prayers this morning are for the Anglican Family Care Centre – Mike Williams (Director) and The South Centre – Judith Petersen (Director)

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 Ralph and Rose Gordon, Mary Greet, Morris Hall.

In the Community

We pray for people, governments and health services throughout the world as we cope with the COVID-19 pandemic and for wise choices by people and governments everywhere

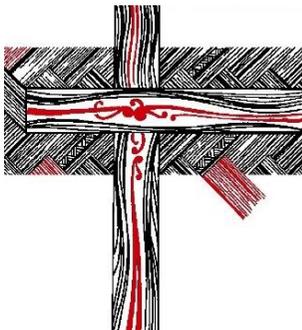
We give thanks for the skills of scientists and production teams who have developed COVID vaccines. We pray for equitable and efficient distribution of these vaccines, and for increasing uptake of the vaccination by New Zealanders.

St Michael's:

Elliot Street,
Andersons Bay

St Nicholas':

Dunrobin Street,
Waverley



Next week's readings:

Jeremiah 31: 7-9
Psalm 126
Hebrews 7: 23-28
Mark 10: 46-52