



# Church on the Hill

Sunday 1 April 2018



**Theme:** Resurrection  
**Vicar:** Susan Gill  
**Preacher:** Ian Smith  
**Readings:** Isaiah 25: 6-9, John 20:1-18

**Sentence:**

Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

*- 1 Corinthians 15:5*

**Prayer for the day:**

Christ, you are risen from the dead.  
We are risen with you.  
May our life never deny  
this eternal life,

this peace and hope and joy.  
Praise and glory to the God of life  
who is stronger than all kinds of death.  
**Amen**

*Following Jesus, Building Community*

## Reflections...



### Note from the Priest in Charge...

This week in our Lenten Study, we heard from Romans 8 the sound of creation groaning for the manifestation of the Children of God. God had subjected Creation to a deep futility as human-kind, separated from God, cut down, burned, dug up, poisoned and generally beat up on her. She is again, seen as a woman travailing, awaiting the birth of her child... someone who will give her back her dignity, restore her to her sacred task of reflecting the glory of the Lord.

Today's Gospel reading is also fixed in creation, in a garden, on the first day of the week. Mary,

groaning in deep grief, comes to the tomb of her murdered friend Jesus and discovers the brightly lit, angel-filled tomb empty!

All the creation stories describe dark chaotic space filled with the creative energy of God waiting to speak God's goodness and enlightenment into it. Whether its Genesis 1, the prologue in John 1, Romans 8 or here in John 20, the outcome is the same. God brings forth a community that will glorify Gods name, that is, a community that will see Jesus made visible through the way they live there lives together.

Lets see how this began to happen that first Easter morning...

Arohanui,

*Ian*

**Stones** - We will be starting on our new building soon and we want to give everyone a last opportunity to put your children and grand children's name on a stone, which will be buried in the foundation of the new hall. A gold coin donation will be appreciated for each stone to go to the building fund. - Kai Kruse & Jacob Klootwyk.

**Movie Night** - 6.30pm Monday 9 April at the Suter Cinema to see Paul: Apostle of Christ Tickets \$12 each with any profit going to missionaries (we need 84 to break even - there are 150 seats available). The story covers Paul, portrayed by James Faulkner, going from the most infamous persecutor of Christians to Jesus Christ's most influential apostle. The signup sheet is now in the office, you need to pay now and collect your ticket, there is still space for more to attend. Watch the trailer here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LyOqQZUDdO4>

**St Albans 150 Years Celebration** - Celebrations are on the last weekend of November. If you are interested in helping with or attending the celebrations please contact the office.

**Volunteers Wanted** - Interested in writing the prayers for the newsletters?. We need two people for one month each; the months of April and May. Please contact Ian Smith Ph 021 0274 3043

**Church open for Prayer** - The Church is open for prayer each Monday (except public holidays) from 9.00am - 2.00pm. All welcome.

**Offertory Envelopes** - Envelopes are ready for pickup at the back of the church.

**House Sitter wanted** - Need some accommodation in October? We need a house sitter who can also look after elderly dog and 4 fish tanks. Three cold water and one warm. Three weeks. Catherine 022 647 9810

**Honey** - Building Fundraiser. 500gm \$7.00/ 1kg \$13.00 / 2kg \$25. Contact Anne Askin Ph.542 3284.

**Phone Directory** - Parish Phone Directory is at the back of church for checking. Please make sure your details are correct. Mark any changes in your entry. Thanks

**Preserves** - There are marmalades, plum jam, tomato and onion relish and various chutneys at the back of the church. These are made with donated spray free fruit and for the next few weeks any money made from selling them will go towards Susan's sabbatical and the youth Easter Camp. Please buy your preserves here! If you have any feedback or fruit to donate please contact Shiona Ph. 544 4155.

**Positive Ageing Expo** - Friday 6 April at the Headingly Centre. The Expo runs from 10.00am - 3.00pm. The Positive Ageing Expo promises to have something for everyone again in 2018! The opening

address at 10:45am from the Minister for Seniors the Hon Tracey Martin followed by the presentation Get Scam Savvy from Bronwyn Groot. Bronwyn is an expert on frauds and scams – with multiple awards to back it up and great stories to share. Along with 77+ stallholders there will be demonstrations and a chance to have a go at a range of activities including fitness classes, Tai Chi, Ukulele, e-Bikes as well as getting quick health checks.

**Lost TV Remote** - The Big Screen has been installed at the back of the church. Thankyou Joe Sardella! The remote for the TV has been mislaid in the move from the hall. If anyone has seen the Veon Remote please return to the big table adjacent to the screen at the back of the Church.

**Kitchen Water Heater** - The kitchen water heater is broken and needs to be replaced. Any donations towards the cost of replacement (approximately \$2000) would be appreciated.

**Walk for Life** - Walk for Life is a celebration of life from conception to natural death, and a non-judgmental and peaceful statement that life is precious and worth living. It is a family friendly event and all ages are welcome. The 2018 Nelson Walk for Life is on Saturday 21 April at noon, rain or shine. It will start and finish at the top of the Nelson Cathedral steps For more information, register interest or volunteer to help call Marie O'Connor 021 108 5988 / email:walkforlife2018@gmail.com / Facebook: www.facebook.com/Walk-for-Life-Nelson-391420507953780 / or search "Walk For Life Nelson".

**Missions Update** - Dawn Daunauda in Vanuatu writes... "I arrived in Espiritu Santo just over a month ago and it has been a steep learning curve – but exciting! It is such an opportunity to be serving God by teaching a language I love to young adults who are so appreciative of the opportunity..." Read the whole newsletter on the Missions Noticeboard at the back of the church.



## Richmond Parish 2017 Annual General Meeting 12.00pm Sunday 15 April 2018

Your name must be on the Parish Roll in order to speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting, stand for office, or be appointed as the Vicar's or elected to People's Churchwarden. (Note the Parish Directory-Phone List is not the Parish Roll)

1. Check your details in the 2018 Parish Roll in the church. Make any changes to the Roll details in the line below your name.
2. If you are listed on the roll you do not need to re-enrol.
3. If you are not on the roll and wish to enrol, complete a blue Declaration form. The declaration must be on file no later than 12.00pm Wednesday 11 April 2018 Return forms to the Completed Forms container at the back of the Church or to the parish office.

**The following AGM forms are available from the back of the Church - Note new closing dates**

- Nomination Form for Vestry - *Nominations close 5.00pm Wednesday 11 April 2018*
- Nomination Form for People's Warden - *Nominations close 5.00pm Wednesday 11 April 2018*
- Declaration Form - *On file by 5.00pm Wednesday 11 April 2018*
- AGM Question form - *Questions close 12.00pm Thursday 12 April 2018*

## **This Week...**

### **Monday 2 April**

9.00am Church open for Prayer  
7.30pm Weekly group (K. Peterson)

### **Tuesday 3 April**

10.00am Fortnightly women's group (B Page)  
10.00am Fortnightly Bible Study Group (E Erskine)  
11.30am Lunch on the Hill  
7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S Frengley)  
7.30pm Lenten Study in Church

### **Wednesday 4 April**

10.00am Wednesday Service

### **Thursday 5 April**

12.00pm Weekly Study group (W Wilkinson, J Lines)  
7.30pm Fortnightly group (J Palmer)  
7.30pm Fortnightly group (N Pritchard)

### **Sunday 8 April**

9.00am Holy Communion  
10.30am Praise on the Hill

## **Coming up...**

### **Sunday 15 April**

12.00pm AGM

*For more information about services or groups  
contact the office Ph. 544 8844.*

**St Albans' Appleby Services 10.30am**

**Sunday 8 April**

Holy Communion

**Sunday 22 April**

Morning Worship

If you wish to give financial support to Holy Trinity Church, our bank account number is:  
03 0751 0146369 001 Westpac Richmond

## **Roster for 8 April - Thank you for serving us all!**

<b>Leader:</b>	<b>9.00am</b> Owen Haring	<b>10.30am</b> J Palmer
<b>Reader:</b>	<b>9.00am</b> K South, D Day	<b>10.30am</b> E Stanger, M Tilley
<b>Sidesperson</b>	<b>9.00am</b> K South	<b>10.30am</b> M Tilley, E/D Stanger
<b>Welcomer:</b>	<b>9.00am</b> J McConachie	<b>10.30am</b> M Martin
<b>Chalice:</b>	<b>9.00am</b> G Thomas, S Frengley	<b>10.30am</b> N/A
<b>Tea:</b>	M Watson, M Evans	
<b>Flowers:</b>	Cecile Strang	<b>Creche:</b> TBA

**Theme for Next Sunday:** Life by the power of his name

**Readings for Next Sunday:** 1 John 1:1-10, John 20:19-31

### **Parish Contacts**

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### **Office Hours**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

10.00am - 5.30pm

Wednesday 10.00am - 1.00pm