



Richmond Parish News

Sunday 5 May 2019



Theme: Significant encounters through Hospitality and Food
Priest in Charge: Revd. Ian Smith
Preacher: Micah Did-Dell
Readings: Acts 9: 1-20; John 21: 1-19

Sentence:

A second time he said to him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He replied, "Yes Lord, you know I love you". Jesus said to him, "Look after my sheep".
- John 21:16 Jerusalem Bible

Prayer for the day:

Alleluia, King eternal; Jesus restored disheartened friends at breakfast on the beach: alert us to your presence; restore us when we falter or despair; and let us always hope in you; through Jesus

Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever.
Amen

Following Jesus, Building Community

Reflections...



From the Priest in Charge:

A very warm welcome to our services at Holy Trinity Church today and especially to Micah Did-Dell our preacher today! We are halfway through the Easter season where we try to come to grips with what Jesus' resurrection means for us. Not an easy task, but one worth wrestling with!

A few issues arose out of our vestry meeting on Tuesday evening...

1. It seems that there are no members of our congregation with Lay Ministry Licenses. These are required if you: take funerals, take communion services in rest homes or other occasions using extended Communion, preach when the vicar is absent, worship lead when the vicar is absent, or in an emergency situation take a baptism. If this is you then you need to get an application form from me or the office so you get the proper training needed to satisfy the bishop, that you well prepared for these ministry functions.
2. It seems that our email list is not being used as it appears not to be up to date. We will be working on this over the next month so if you want to be on a list that gets funeral notices, messages from leadership and vestry or your Pew Sheet electronically, please let the office know!

3. Elle Nichols gave us a great overview of her plans for the food bank ministry. She has a delightful way of slipping the Gospel into this work, which we are deeply appreciating. Lets remember this ministry in our prayers and when we are getting groceries... especially pasta sauces and things that make for a quick easy meal!
4. You will notice that we now have a small refrigerator in the vestry for milk and perishable things! No more tripping over to the creche! Thank you Anne and Dave, who made this happen!
5. We have accepted a quote for the carpark restructuring of \$84,842.10 from Fulton Hogan. This is just inside of what we had budgeted for, which we are very grateful for. This will be covered largely by the loan facility we have available with the diocese. Any help from any of you, no matter how small, will see this loan kept to a minimum!
6. The under pew heaters are back on and the time clock reset, till the new heaters are installed. Please do not touch these switches as it messes with the system (and my head) when they fail to come on!

Thank you for all that each of you adds to our work here in the Richmond parish We really are seeing the risen Christ working amongst us!!!

Arohanui,

Ian

Prayer - The Church is open for prayer tomorrow Monday from 9.00am - 2.00pm. All are welcome.

Honey - Building Fundraiser. 500gm \$7.50/1kg \$15.00 /2kg \$25. Contact Anne Askin Ph.542 3284.

Offering Receipts - Offering Receipts are available at the back of the church. Any queries contact the office.

Fundraising - Have you been a fundraiser in the past or would like to learn? We would be delighted if you could help with making applications. If you are interested in helping please talk with Shiona Frengley Ph. 544 4155. Please pray for the applications in process.

Preserves - New tomato sauce, green tomato chutney and crab apple jelly for sale to support missions.

Hall opening preparation - Can you sew a straight seam? How are you at turning and pressing? I have an idea for decorating our hall with bunting, but it depends on having enough people willing to help! Are you interested? If so please contact Shiona Ph. 544 4155

Transport needed - If anyone could offer James Nelson (formerly of St. Stephens and now at Wensley House) a ride to 10.30am church service, please speak to James or Sara Clover.

Parents Wanted - The Open Home Foundation are presently looking for Foster Parents for vulnerable children in the Nelson / Blenheim region. If you would like to know more about this ministry opportunity please contact me; Steven Dunne email - steven.dunne@ohf.org.nz or phone 021 408 6162.

Food Bank - Thanks for for all your contributions to the Food Bank. Grateful thanks to St Alban's for their generous donation of goods from their Harvest Festival. We are overstocked with rolled oats, Weetbix and tinned fruit. We need toilet rolls, soap, laundry powder, pasta, pasta sauce and biscuits. Thanks. - *Ellie*

30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World - Sunday 6 May is the start of Ramadan and many people have found the 30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World prayer booklets helpful in previous years. The new ones are now available from John Palmer (544 4275). Each year these booklets manage to bring a fresh focus to meaningful prayer and understanding for the Muslim world.

Prayers for the Week

The World - We pray for political stability in Venezuela, Sudan, Yemen and Syria, may peace, justice and real freedom come to these lands and may the local people be those making the choices for their future not outside powers.

We pray for the Muslim world as they begin the month of Ramadan and give thanks for the many Christians who will be praying for the House of Islam over this period of time. May the Holy Spirit speak to many Muslim's and bring the light of the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ to them as they fast. We also pray for parts of south-east Africa, especially Mozambique, which has been hit by another damaging cyclone and south-east India which has also been affected by a large cyclone. Foster the efforts of all who seek to bring food, shelter and medical aid, especially to areas where crops have been lost and serious erosion has occurred due to heavy rain.

Missions - We thank you for the Corin family. We continue to pray that you will enable Chris and Catherine to get used to the new reality of their children moving away to other countries for further training. We pray especially for Chris as he seeks to encourage some of the local pastors to remain in their villages despite the persecution. Supply the resources they need to further your work in these villages. Bless Chris' contacts with other Christians that together they might bring help.

Diocese - We pray for the Parish of Kaikoura, especially for health, peace and a healing touch for 2 or 3 parishioners who are not well. Bless Courtney Wilson and her team as they seek to be faithful to God's call in that area. Encourage their children's outreach and eldercare programme and may their hall that was damaged in the earthquake be quickly useable again. We also pray for safety on the roads in that region as there is still a lot of work being done post the 2016 earthquake.

Local church - We thank you for the ministry of Richmond Community Church with Ross and Yvonne Ferguson and their team. They have asked us to pray for healing for two people, one with Parkinson's and the other in heart failure. We also pray for a family with an autistic child, a young man with methamphetamine ('P') addiction and consequent relationship problems and several families the church is helping with financial struggles. Bless and continue to supply their Kai with Love programme.

Parish - We continue to pray for Jeff Odhiambo, his wife Alicia and their children Elle and Miles, help them to serve us, to learn much of how to run a parish well and to be blessed in their time with us. We thank you for Sarah Clover and pray you will bless her as she gets to grips with all the facets of her role as Senior's worker in this parish. Help her to quickly grasp who does what and where there are gaps and opportunities in this important ministry.

Raise up we pray, someone with a God inspired passion for working with children and families that we might see growth in this area.

We thank you for the recent progress on the new building. Guide the Vestry as it considers expenditure for the Hall fit out and how the new Hall can be used in the missional activities of this church.

Those in need - For those we know who are suffering at this time, may they know your peace, comfort and healing. We pray particularly for those who mourn the loss of close family. All these prayers we ask in the name of Jesus, our Saviour and Lord.

Amen.

This Week...

Monday 6 May

9.00am Church Open for Prayer
9.30am Friends 'n Fun
7.00pm Mens Group (J Klootwyk)

Tuesday 7 May

10.00am Fortnightly Women's Group (B Page)
10.00am Fortnightly Bible Study Group (E Erskine)
11.30am Lunch on the Hill (Salvation Army Hall)
7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S Frengley)

Wednesday 8 May

10.00am Holy Communion
12.00pm 2nd & 4th Wednesday Group (J South)

Thursday 9 May

9.30am Friends 'n Fun
12.00pm Weekly Study group (W Wilkinson, J Lines)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (J Palmer)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (N Pritchard)

Sunday 12 May

9.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion
7.00pm Taizé Service

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

St Albans' Appleby Services

10.30am Sunday 12 May	Holy Communion	Leader - Rev Peter Bean
10.30am Sunday 26 May	Morning Worship	Leader - Rev Ian Smith

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

Roster for 12 May *Thank you for serving us all!*

Leader:	9.00am	J Sardella	10.30am	S Jackson
Reader:	9.00am	A Hodges, U Brown	10.30am	V McNaughton
Sidesperson:	9.00am	M Gibson	10.30am	M Martin
Welcomer:	9.00am	B Page	10.30am	N Pritchard
Chalice:	9.00am	G Thomas, S Paine, TBA	10.30am	V McNaughton, N Pritchard, T Summerfield
Tea:		K Kruse, E Epoi		
Flowers:		M Brosnahan	Crèche	TBA

Theme for Next Sunday: Letting God Wash, Cleanse and Feed us: the secret to real life

Readings for Next Sunday: Acts 9: 36-43; John 10: 22-30

Parish Contacts

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Friday 10.00am - 5.30pm

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