



Holy Trinity Church

Sunday 22 December 2013



Theme: God with Us
Vicar: Susan Gill
Preacher: John Palmer
Readings: Isaiah 7:10 – 16, Matthew 1:18 - 25

Welcome to Holy Trinity Church this morning.

All are invited to join together in Communion using the shared cup, a dipped wafer or individual glasses of wine and grape juice. Prayer is available for you or loved ones after each service.

Prayer for the day:

Loving Father, all-powerful God, your eternal Word took on flesh and became one of us when the Virgin Mary surrendered her life to serve your plan. Lift our hearts in anticipation of hear the

voice which announces his glory. Open our minds to receive the Spirit who prepares us for his coming. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

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Office Hours
Monday and Thursday
9.00am - 5.00pm



Children's Programme:

The toy box and baby change facilities are available anytime at the rear of the Church. Children are welcome to attend one of the following during the 10.30 sermon time.

- Kids' Church under 5's in the crèche.
- Kids' Church primary school age in the church hall and younger youth (intermediate students to 15 years of age) youth room in the hall.

Volunteers needed - The Brass Cleaning Guild need volunteers for the Brass Cleaning Roster. Contact Marlene Evans Ph 544 8382

Honey - Those Difficult Christmas Presents... Give them a jar of Honey! Building fundraiser. If you would like to order Honey for Christmas please let me know as soon as possible. 2 kgs \$20, 1 kg \$11, and 500gms \$6. Anne Askin 544 9059.

Convergence Camp - 14-16 February 2014 we plan to have an Anglican regional camp at Kaiteriteri. A brochure is available at the back of the church. I fully endorse this camp and plan to be there. The speaker is Howard Espie from New Wine U.K. There are limited numbers so be in quick. - Susan



Church open for prayer - The church is open for prayer from 9.00am - 4.00pm on Monday 23 December. This is for both private devotions and prayer ministry, offered by a small prayer team to pray with those who would like to be prayed for. If you feel you would like to help in this ministry please contact John Palmer 544 4275.

Kidz Church - Micah with the help of Carol Robinson will take Kidz Church in the hall today continuing with the Christmas theme. From 29 December – 2 February they will have their lessons in the crèche unless alternatively advised. The first Kids Church of 2014 will be on Sunday 9 February.

Convergence Help - For those people who would like to help with the Children's programme at the Convergence Camp, please keep 10.00am Wednesday 8 January free.



Needed: 4 bedroom house to rent in Richmond for Minister and his family. House-trained pets. Older kids. Looking to move very early next year. Please phone Dianne 543 2676

Painting the Youth Room - A couple of years ago the youth group painted one of the walls of the youth room to leave their mark. We are looking to do this again on another wall of the youth room. We are looking for supplies for painting. If you have any paint you'd be willing to donate to the youth group we would be extremely grateful. Please contact Micah at youth.onhill@xtra.co.nz or at home 544 6495.

Lawnmowing - Need your lawns mowed? For prompt and friendly service contact Jonathan Brosnahan Ph. 544 3972



You're invited...

Richmond Community Christmas Dinner
25 December 2013

Richmond Primary School Hall

Koha entry

11:30am Nibbles and Drinks (non alcoholic)

12.00noon Christmas Dinner

Phone 544 8844
email: seniors.onhill@xtra.co.nz

A Holy Trinity Church Community Event

Sentence:

A girl who is presently a virgin will get pregnant. She'll bear a son and name him Immanuel (God-With-Us).

Prayers for the Week

The World: In this run-up to Christmas, with all the hope Christ brings of God's peace in a fragile world, we pray for our troubled world; for the Philippines after typhoon Haiyan that food, water, clothing, shelter and spiritual help may swiftly be brought to those who have lost everything; for the refugees in Syria and those who have fled, for provision for them in this winter period; for peace and justice to prevail; for the 12 nuns abducted in Syria, for an end to the exodus of Christians from the Middle East; for peace in the Central African Republic; for the South Sudan which struggles to establish a peaceful and stable state.

Mission Partners: We pray for Allan and Christine in Asia; for smooth renewal of their visas and for special times with people over the Christmas period.

Diocese: Our diocese of New Zealand, for Archbishop Philip Richardson and all the bishops that God would grant them wisdom in their pastoral care and Spirit led leadership of each diocese and this nation.

Local Churches: Pray for Richmond AOG Church and Ross and Yvonne Ferguson and their team; bless their Christmas services and we have had a specific request to pray for number of folk in their church who have the following serious conditions: Cancer (2), Lupus, Addisons, Parkinsons and Heart, that God would move in miraculous healing.

Our parish: Give thanks for a female youth leader to work with Micah and Antonio next year, continue to pray for the planning and provision for Christmas on the Hill; give thanks for carol singing around the parish last Tuesday; for God's presence to be tangible at all the Christmas services.

Those in need within our own church family: We remember Caroline, George, Carole Burke, Carol Frater, Noel, Wendy, Grant, Rex Senior (St Albans), Alan, Dorothy, Lisa and Fiona (St Albans), Bev Marsh, Ellie and those in the rest homes and hospitals in our parish.



*Christmas @
Holy Trinity
Church on the Hill
Dorset St
Richmond*

This Week...

Monday 9.00am	23 December Church open for Prayer to 4.00pm
Tuesday 4.00pm 11.30pm	24 December Family Carols and Christmas Story Traditional Candlelight Carols and Communion
Wednesday 9.00am 11.30am	25 December Christmas day Celebration and Communion Community Christmas Dinner @ Richmond Primary School
Sunday: 9.00am 10.30am	29 December Holy Communion Praise on the Hill

St Albans' Appleby Services

Wednesday 25 December 10.00am Christmas Day Service

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

If you wish to give financial support to Holy Trinity Church, our bank account number is: 06 0705 0360452 00 ANZ Nelson

Roster for 29 December *Thank you for serving us all!*

Service Leader:	9.00am J McConachie	10.30am F Summerfield/ A Sardella
Sidespeople:	9.00am	10.30am J Green
Welcomer:	9.00am S Entwistle	10.30am M Ross
Tea:	F & J Murbach	
Chalice:	9.00am B Payne	10.30am N/A
Flowers:	A Heslop	Brass: M Evans

Transport for Noel Bythell: F Murbach

Readings for next Sunday: Hebrews 1:1-4, Matthew 1:18-25

If you would like someone from Holy Trinity to contact you during the coming week, please fill out this slip and place in the offering bag.

Name _____ **Phone** _____