Sunday 7th Sep, Saint Mary's Anglican Parish, Gordonton



Parish Office Hours & Contacts

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10am Family Communion & Patronal Festival of St Mary

Sermon: "The life of Mary after the Nativity" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Gail Hendricks **Prayer:** Kath Des Forges

This Sunday is the Patronal Festival of St Mary the patron saint of our little church. During the service we will remember and honour her as the mother of our Lord.

Next Sunday we will hold a Caring for Creation Service on the 14th Sep. We will plant native trees on the upper slope towards the stream at the bottom of the church grounds. Can each family please donate a native tree or shrub such as ponga, nikau, cabbage tree, pittosporum, flax, comprosma, rangiora, manuka, lancewood (no pseudopanax hybrids thanks). Bring a spade, raincoat and gumboots on the day! God bless, David

Confirmations will be held 12th October at the Cathedral at 9:45am. Be early for a good seat. Please note that there will be no service held at St Mary's that day

Christmas (a) St Mary's: A fun time preparing, organizing, and craft making for this event to raise money for our Building Fund meets at the Old Hukanui School, Gordonton 7pm. Next meeting: <u>2nd October</u>. See Kim Simpson for further details

Church Building Fund. We have

commissioned an architect to draw up plans for the new church hall. We need to cover his fee, and this is an exciting stage! Drawn plans will give us something tangible to strive for. Please contribute generously with envelopes clearly marked as "Church Building Fund" or if paying directly into the church bank account, in the ref column. please write "Hall Fund".

Readings for 7thSep:

OT: Isaiah 61:7-11 **NT**: Galatians 4:4-7 **Gospel:** Luke 1:13-46-55

Children & Youth: This Sunday! Cool activities and crafts in the Kids Space



+ Prayer Points +

- For strength, endurance, safety and comfort for Christians who mourn many losses in Iraq and Syria
- Pray for peace in Gaza and Israel.
- For Katy, Paige, Brenda, William, and Katy who are to be Confirmed in October

