# Pew Sheet: Sun 26<sup>th</sup> April, Saint Mary's Anglican Church



#### Parish Office Hours & Contacts

Office Hours: Fridays 9am to 2:30pm Email: stmarysgordonton@hotmail.co.nz Web: www.saintmarysgordonton.azurewebsites.net Vicars Phone: 027 4213200 *Fridays only* 9am - 2:30pm. Then 07 8492761 any day during a/hours Vicar: Rev. David Smithson Peoples Warden: Sally-Ann Riddell 07 8243850 Vicars Warden: Roger Jennings 07 8243712

## 10am Family Communion Service

Sermon: "The Most Excellent Shepherd" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Karen Boyer Prayer: David Smithson

Being a rural parish, the teachings of scripture can be more poignant to us than of parishes in the city – Jesus often used many a "rural story" to get his point across – the Sower, the Vineyard workers, Harvesting etc. Although we are in the heart of Diary Farming country, there are the odd sheep dotted about. Today we hear the tale of how Jesus is the "Good Shepherd" – but Jesus was more than good. He is the Most Excellent Shepherd. If Jesus happened to be in the Waikato, we would hear the tale of how he would be the "Good Cow Cockey!"

God bless, David

**Youth Group Year 9 +** Meets @ Oaks church, Gordonton, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May, 7pm!

**Christmas Fair Meeting:** After church next Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> May over coffee & refreshments

**Refreshment Roster:** Please put your name next to the dates that you can do for the  $2^{nd}$   $\frac{1}{2}$ of this year – roster is on the info table by the church entrance

**Confirmations:** If you are baptized, in Year 9 to adult, and are wanting to grow in your journey with Jesus, please see the vicar if you wish to be Confirmed on Sun 28 Jun 9:45am at the cathedral.

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### Readings for 26<sup>th</sup> Apr:

**OT:** Psalm 23 **NT:** Acts 4:5-12 **Gospel:** John 10:11-18

**Children & Youth:** Kids Activity Packs with a chocolate treat!



#### + Prayer Points +

- That we will shine the light of Christ into the darkness of the World
- For those who are sick, sad, bereaved or lonely.
- For our Mission Family; the Frasers working for Betel in the UK
- For the families of Returned Service men, and their widows whose memories are sensitive this weekend

