

Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 2nd Oct



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Vicar: Rev. David Smithson

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Vicars Warden: Roger Jennings 07 8243712

10:00am Animal Blessing Service

Sermon: "Francis" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Brenda Stobie

Wow what a transformation of the church gully from the recent plantings have made already! Thanks to those who braved the showers and mucked in the other Sun 18th Sep Care of Creation service. This Sun 2nd also touches on creation as we celebrate the animals that God blessed us with. Saint Francis was born in Assisi, Umbria Italy in the 12th century. Francis had an affinity and love for God's creation, and he had a special place for animals to the extent of even preaching to birds! Because of Francis' love for creatures, he was made the patron saint of animals. As it is St Francis day on the 3rd Oct, we remember him by bringing our pets and animals to church on the nearest Sunday to have them blessed. So please bring along your pet cat, dog, bird, or even fish! God bless.

David

SALT & LIGHT Bible Study is next meeting at church after the service Sunday 16th Oct.

FOOD BANK: Current needs are: baked beans, coffee, milk powder, eggs, toilet soap. Items can be left in the basket in the church porch.

SUN 30th OCT – All Saints/Souls service. Please bring along a photo of your passed loved ones

Readings for 2nd Oct:

OT: Genesis 2:15-21

NT: James 3:7

Gospel: Luke 12:6-7

Reader: Roger Jennings

Children's Church/Junior Youth: Bring along your pet!

Youth: Friday's 7pm @ Oaks church, Gordonton – combined churches



+ Prayer Points +

- For Kerry as she recuperates from surgery.
- For safe and enjoyable holidays



In case of a fire during a church service, please note the nearest exit: Front porch entrance and the side door to the vestry office. Fire extinguishers are also located near these two doorways.