# Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 26th Feb



#### Parish Office Hours & Contacts

Office Hours: Fridays 9am to 3pm Email: stmarysgordonton@hotmail.co.nz Web: www.saintmarysgordonton.azurewebsites.net Vicars Phone: 027 4213200 Fridays only 9am - 3pm. 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

### 10:00am Family Communion Service

Sermon: "You Gotta Serve Somebody...Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Trish Smithson

In 1979 Bob Dylan released his hit "You Gotta Serve Somebody". In the lyrics are the words "Well, it may be the devil, or it may be the Lord, but you gotta serve somebody." This can be taken right out of today's gospel reading of Matthew 6:24. How can you serve two masters? What do you serve, how do you serve, whom do you serve? Do we have a choice? Was Bob Dylan right in that we *got to* serve somebody? Are we free, or slaves, or are we free in being slaves (which seems an odd thing to say)? God bless, David.



**FOOD BANK** Please leave non-perishable food items in the basket located in the church porch.

**FAMILY FUN DAY @ the Donkey Farm!** Sat 18<sup>th</sup> & Sun 19<sup>th</sup> Mar. Fundraising for our Parish. We need volunteers to: Collect gate tickets, assist in donkey rides, BBQ, café, as well as to make crafts and home baking to sell at the stall and café. Please also fill in the roster (on the table) where you can help out on the days.

**RAFFLE** items for the Family Fun Day can be put in the box located in the church porch

## Readings for 26th Feb:

OT: Isaiah 49:8-16 NT: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34

**Reader:** Trish Smithson

**Children's Church/Junior Youth:** Kids activity packs with a chocolate treat!

Youth: Friday's 7pm @ Oaks church, Gordonton, & Weds 7pm "Ignite" @ - Horsham Downs Church.



#### + Prayer Points +

- For our Hospital Chaplains
- For the volunteers at the Combined Christian Food bank



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.