Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 9th July



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

10:00 am Family Communion service

Sermon: "Battle of the Two Empires" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Judy Cole

Are we grateful? Living in a paradise like New Zealand we can easily take things for granted, and we have to keep ourselves in check not to moan when things don't go too well, or our way. I am inspired by a Kiwi chap who was a returned WWII serviceman who became a vicar after the war. He frequently flew around NZ attending ANZAC services. He once came across some pilots who were grumbling that a fellow passenger was holding things up because he was running late. They stopped grumbling when the vicar told them that he once complained about his boots until he came across a man who had no feet. They quit complaining. Food for thought. God bless, David

Foodbank: Current needs are tinned baked beans, spaghetti, corn, tomatoes, milk powder, pasta, rice, fresh produce e.g. lemons, mandarins. These can be placed in the basket in the church porch

Refreshment Roster: Please fill out your name in the spaces available for this second half of the year. The roster is on the table at the entrance to the church

Readings for 9th July:

OT: Genesis 24:34-67 **NT:** Romans 7:15-25 **Gospel:** Matthew 11:16-30

Reader: Judy Cole

Children's Church/Junior Youth: Activity packs with a chocolate treat!

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



+ Prayer Points +

- For Phil Azzato in regaining his health
- For Trish's niece; baby Cora, as she struggles in the Prem ICU



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.