

# Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep



## Parish Office Hours & Contacts

**Office Hours:** Fridays 9am to 3pm

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- 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:** "Followers Must Follow" Rev. David Smithson

**Refreshments:** Melanie Holdsworth

We are followers and disciples of Christ – and the word disciple comes from the same stock as the word *discipline*, a word that can have negative connotations as most people don't like being disciplined by another (such as a child receiving a telling off), but there are also healthy connotations, such as "she was very disciplined in her study". To be disciples of Jesus we need to have some amount of discipline! How is your prayer life? How often do you read the scriptures? How often do you attend church? Can you be more disciplined in these arrears? I have a fantastic book I can lend anyone if they wish to explore this further – "Celebration of Discipline" by Richard Foster.  
God bless, David

**Value your Vote** please pick up a copy from the table at the back of the church – it shows the social views of all MP's and Parties on matters such as the drinking age, euthanasia, abortion, drugs etc

**Foodbank:** The current need is: Tinned soup, baby food, milk powder, jam, washing powder, toilet soap, toilet paper, newspapers. Items can be placed in the basket located in the church porch



## Readings for 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep:

**OT:** Exodus 3:1-15

**NT:** Romans 12:9-21

**Gospel:** Matthew 16:21-28

**Reader:** Melanie Holdsworth

**Children's Church/Junior Youth:** Cool Kids activities in the Kids Space!

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



## + Prayer Points +

- For Houston Texas and the current relief effort.
- For our Parish Hall project



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.