

# St Mary's, Gordonton. Christmas Midnight Mass & Christmas Day



## Parish Office Hours & Contacts in Jan

**Office Hours:** Closed 1 Jan 17 – 26<sup>th</sup> Jan

**Email:** stmarysgordonton@hotmail.co.nz

**Vicars Phone:** 027 4213200 *for urgent calls during Jan*

**Vicar:** Rev. David Smithson

**Peoples Warden:** Sally-Ann Riddell 07 8243850

**Vicars Warden:** Roger Jennings 07 8243712

**Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Midnight Mass (& Advent 4) 11pm,**

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day Communion Service 9:30am**

*Homily for Midnight Mass: "My World is turned upside down!"*

*Homily for Christmas Day: "Once walked in Darkness - Now has seen a Great Light"*

For unto us a Child is born,  
Unto us a Son is given;  
And the government will be upon His shoulder.  
And His name will be called  
Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. *Isaiah 9:6*

This is the last Pew sheet for 2017! Another wonderful year has been had, and I am excited at what God has in store for us in 2018. Glory to God in the Highest! See you next year when we meet Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Take care, and God bless, David.



## Readings for 24<sup>th</sup> Dec

**OT:** 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

**NT:** Romans 16:25-27

**Gospel:** Luke 1:26-38

## Readings for Christmas Day:

**OT:** Isaiah 9:2-7

**NT:** Titus 2:11-14

**Gospel:** Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)

## + Prayer Points +

- For those who are grieving, sick, sad, or lonely this Christmas; may we be Christ's hands and feet to them.
- Don't forget to pray for God's creatures this Christmas season – life can be tough on them during Christmas. Pray for those involved in the Animal Welfare and rescue
- For safe, happy and refreshing holidays for all



**Office hours and contact of vicar during January:** Church office closed, reopens Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb. The vicar is available during January for urgent calls on 027 4213200 or 021 985530

**No Services** held during January 2018.

**10am Sun Services 2018** Resume 4<sup>th</sup> Feb & the Newsletter will be available in late January



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