

Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 18th Mar



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Vicar: Rev. David Smithson

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10:00am Family Communion Service & 5th Sunday of Lent

Sermon: "Father Save Me From This Hour!" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Rosalie Jennings

The odds seemed stacked against St Patrick many times throughout his life. He was kidnapped as a boy from his homeland of Britain by Irish slavers, and forced to watch over sheep in the barren cold country day and night. He managed to escape back to his own country, but the Lord had other plans for him. Who would think to return to Ireland to bring them the gospel of Christ! That's exactly what God told him to do and Patrick was obedient. Patrick clashed many times with the druids of Ireland and at times things seemed hopeless, but the Lord was with him and he persevered. The result was a transformation of Ireland and it became a Christian country. No matter if the odds seemed stacked against you, if things seem so daunting, remember that the Lord is with you and nothing can separate us from His love. David

Annual General Meeting will be held immediately after this service of the 18th March.

Palm or ponga branches: Remember to bring these with you next Sunday for the combined Palm Sunday Service

Foodbank: The current is: baby food, milk powder, sugar, flour, baked beans and spaghetti, tinned fruit, tinned fish, tinned stews, tinned tomatoes, tinned cream corn, pasta, rice, biscuits. Items can be placed in the basket located in the church porch.

Readings for 18th Mar:

OT: Jeremiah 31:31-34

NT: Hebrews 5:5-10

Gospel: John 12:20-33

Reader: Linda Davey

Children's Church/Junior Youth: Making Palm Crosses in the Kidz Space!

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



+ Prayer Points +

- For Hazel, Noel, Adrienne & Richard and family
- For a Holy Lent that we will come closer to Christ in our walk with Him.



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.