Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 15th July



Parish Office Hours & Contacts

Office Hours: Fridays 9am to 3pm Email: stmarysgordonton@hotmail.co.nz Web: www.saintmarysgordonton.azurewebsites.net Vicar: Rev. David Smithson Vicars Phone: 027 4213200 during the day, 07 8492761 after hours. Peoples Warden: Sally-Ann Riddell 07 8243850 Vicars Warden: Roger Jennings 07 8243712

10:00am Family Communion Sermon: "Special Delivery" Rev David Smithson

Refreshments: Rosalie Jennings

A goal of being a follower of Jesus is that we empty ourselves of the vain struggles to gain what the world perceives to be held as highly desirable (wealth, status, power etc) and to fill ourselves with what God desires to see in us – the fruits of the Holy Spirit: love, joy, peace patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23). We try to empty ourselves of living for yourself, and to become more Christ-like. John 3:30 is a favourite scripture of mine which encapsulates being a follower of Jesus: "He (Christ) must increase, I must decrease."

God bless, David

Calf Fundraising Scheme. Please see the forms on the welcome table, or Sally-Ann & Richard. Information also in your newsletter

Give A Little: Please feel free to donate to the Thomas family, whose Gordonton house burnt to the ground. Web page to donate: Give A Little

Foodbank: Current needs are tinned tomatoes, tinned soups, sugar, pasta sauce, pasta, rice, milk powder. Fresh vegetables are also most welcome.

Readings for 15th July:

OT: 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12-19 NT: Ephesians 1:3-14 Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

Reader: Gael Levin

Children: Kids activity packs with a chocolate treat ☺

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



+ Prayer Points +

- For those who are lonely, sad or sick. May we be Christ's hands and feet to them.
- Safe travels on the road during the school holidays



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.