Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 7st Oct



Parish Office Hours & Contacts

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10:00 am Pet Blessing Service Sermon: "St Francis & The Wolf" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Muriel Riddell

This Sunday we are holding our annual Pet Blessing Service. The service is linked to Saint Francis of Assisi who was a saint in Italy in the 12th Century, and is the patron saint of animals – because he loved them as part of God's wonderful creation. Francis even called the Sun his Brother and the Moon his sister. Bring your children or grandchildren along and of course - their pets! This service is a wonderful opportunity to also bring along friends who you may not usually invite to church. God bless, David.



AP Givers: For those who give to the church via Automatic Payment therefore have nothing to put into the offering bag on Sundays, please pick up an AP card on your way into church from the welcome table. You can put this into the offering bag as a symbolic giving during the Offering.

Foodbank: The current need 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 7th Oct:

OT: Genesis 2:15-20 **NT**: James 3:7 **Gospel:** Luke 12:6-7

Reader: David Smithson

Children's Church/Junior Youth: Bring your pet to church!

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



+ Prayer Points +

- For the people of Indonesia in the wake of the earthquake & tsunami
- For our persecuted brothers and sisters in Guinea



In case of an emergency 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.