

# Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 8<sup>th</sup> March



## Parish Office Hours & Contacts

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

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## 10:00 am Lent 2 Family Communion Service

**Homily:** "A Conversation at Night" Rev. David Smithson

**Refreshments:** Trish Smithson

Kia ora and welcome! Well, there seems to be quite a hullabaloo over this corona virus – the media are having a field day by creating panic –yet in the same breath they are saying don't panic! Remember SARS, swine flu, Zika ? The same panic and hysteria, then it all dies down. We tend to quickly forget until the next boogie man comes along. What does God say to believers? *"For God gave us not a spirit of fear, but of power, of love, and self-control"* (2 Timothy 1-7). This Sunday we will look at an interesting conversation between Jesus and an older "teacher". God bless, David



**Fr Michael Kelly:** Speaking at St John's Methodist church, 20 Wellington St, Hamilton East, this Weds 11<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm on "Persecution of Christians reaches genocide levels"

**Foodbank:** Current needs are flour, sugar, rice, pasta, milk powder, tea, coffee and sandwich spreads.

## Readings & Intercessor for 8<sup>th</sup> Mar:

**OT:** Genesis 12:1-4a

**NT:** 1 Corinthians 2:11-14

**Gospel:** John 3:1-17

**Reader:** Trish Smithson

**Intercessor:** Trish Smithson

**Children:** Kids activity packs are available with a chocolate treat ☺



## + Prayer Points +

- For the Christian Community as it paves it's way in its new journey
- For Christians persecuted in Sri Lanka

**MAKE  
LENT  
COUNT**  
PRAY • ACT • GIVE

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