

# Saint Mary's Church, Gordonton. Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> August



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## 10am Holy Communion

**Homily:** "Transform" Rev. David Smithson

**Refreshments:** Sally-Ann Riddell

Sometimes we hear from the world that people use God and the Church as a crutch in life. I say yes! Yes we do – and that God wants us to. God is our heavenly Father, and you as parents know that your children lean on you for support, so how much more so would God want us to lean on Him!? Psalm 55:22 says "*Cast your cares upon the Lord and He will sustain you*", and 1 Peter 5:7 "*Cast your worries on Him because he cares for you.*" This Sunday we will look at Romans 12:1-8 and Matthew 16:13-20. How can we transform our lives, and not be conformed to this world, and these current troubles? God bless, David

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



## Readings & Intercessor for 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug:

**OT:** Exodus 1:8 – 2:10

**NT:** Romans 12:1-8

**Gospel:** Matthew 16:13-20

**Reader:** Sally-Ann Riddell

**Intercessor:** Sally-Ann Riddell

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



## + Prayer Points +

- For God's guiding hand and providence in uncertain times
- For the sad, sick or lonely – may we be God's hands and feet to them



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