# Saint Mary's Church, Gordonton. Sun 30<sup>th</sup> August



#### Parish Office Hours & Contacts

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## 10am Holy Communion Homily: "Virtue Signalling v Christian Love" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Parish Lunch @ Willow Glen

Virtue signalling is all around us these days – what is it? Well, it usually follows a #, and is a way for people to show how "virtuous" they are, often looking down on others who disagree with their Groupthink slogan. The madness of crowds! Let's dip into Romans 12:9-21 and see how Christian love should distinguish itself from virtue signalling. After the service, we are heading to Willow Glen for a parish lunch. Please note the change of venue as Woodlands couldn't accommodate due to Covid-19. God bless, David



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



### Readings & Intercessor for 30th Aug:

**OT:** Exodus 3:1-15 **NT**: Romans 12:9-21 **Gospel:** Matthew 16:21-28

<u>Reader:</u> Majella Heaton <u>Intercessor:</u> Majella Heaton

**Children:** Kids activity packs are available with a chocolate treat <sup>©</sup>



### + Prayer Points +

- For New Zealand's economy and job losses
- For Christian refugees in Thailand facing great hardships



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