

# Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Oct



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## 10:00 am Pet Blessing Service

**Sermon:** "God & Animals, God & Humans" Rev. David Smithson

**Refreshments:** Sally-Ann 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.



## Readings & Intercessor for 4<sup>th</sup> Oct:

**OT:** Genesis 2:15-20

**NT:** James 3:7

**Gospel:** Luke 12:6-7

**Reader:** Sally-Ann Riddell

**Intercessor:** Sally-Ann Riddell

**Children:** Bring your pet to church!



**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.



## + Prayer Points +

- For the SPCA, for Vets, for Paws for Life etc who all do fantastic work in caring for our animals
- For the Tuwi whanau in Chad



In case of an emergency during a church service, please note the nearest exit: The Fire extinguisher is located near on the floor at the end of the kitchen bench