Saint Mary's Church, Gordonton. Sun 9 July

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10am Holy Communion Service

Homily: "A Song of Love" Rev David Smithson

Morning Tea: Majella

As a boy I recall childishly laughing at the flowery love poetry of the Song of Songs, and never – even to adulthood and until today - have I heard this collection of love poems preached on, and for that matter, in my 14 years as an ordained minister, have never preached on them myself! So when I came across the Church Lectionary readings for Sun 9 July with Song of Songs as an OT option, I thought I would tread where I have never trod before…

God bless, David

Readings & Intercessor for 9 Jul

OT: Song of Songs 2:1-3:11 (p 737)
NT: Romans 7:14-25 (p 1255)
Gospel: Matthew 11:16-30
Reader: Majella
Intercessor: Majella

Foodbank: Keep those items coming: baby food, milk powder, sugar, flour, baked beans and spaghetti, tinned fruit, tinned fish, tinned stews, tinned tomatoes, tinned cream corn, pasta, rice, biscuits.

2023 Calf Scheme

Calving season is upon us and so is the Calf Scheme fundraiser! You can donate one of your own calves, or buy a calf from the Riddell's to be raised on their farm ($300), or donate an amount to go towards a purchase of a calf and the rearing costs. The info and forms to fill out are on the Welcome table

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+ Prayer & Praise Points +

- Praise God for the safe passage of Catherine and the girls from Vanuatu to NZ, and pray for Gods guiding hand to be on them as they begin a new journey back to the UK

- For justice against child traffickers and freedom, safety and healing of the child victims

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