

# Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 22 March



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## 10am Holy Communion Service

**Homily:** "You Shall Not Pass!" Rev David Smithson

**Morning Tea:** Kate

We live in a society that has basically tried to do away with absolute truth and replaced it with situational social justice and human rights. You now often hear "This is MY truth". What happened to THE truth? Evil has been replaced with good, and Good has been replaced with evil. On top of that, sinful things are more accessible today than they have ever been. Pleasure and self-indulgence are encouraged and the things of the 'flesh' have been elevated to equal happiness and success. Sin is candy coated. What we need to understand is that no matter what picture we are given of sin by society we cannot be fooled – we have the power through Christ to overcome...

God bless, David



### **+ Prayer & Praise Points +**

- For the Lord's peace in the Middle East
- Praise God for our beautiful country of NZ
- For friends and family who are facing life's struggles: physically, emotionally, financially



## **Readings & Intercessor for 22 March**

**OT:** Ezekial 17:1-14 (p 913)

**NT:** Romans 8:1-11 (p 1255)

**Gospel:** John 11:1-45

**Reader:** Charles

**Intercessor:** Charlotte

**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.



## **Wisdom in the Desert:**

Weds 7:00pm @ St Mary's



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