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**If you want to make a donation to the Parish, our bank account is:
03-1700-0214522-00 Add your name and "donation" as references.**

Humour



"My parents are giving up desserts for Lent. So I'm balancing the family diet by giving up vegetables."



*Anglican Parish of
Linwood - Aranui*



PEW NEWS Sunday 20th March 2022

Living out the love of Christ in our worship and service to all people.

Welcome

A warm welcome to everyone. We are glad you have joined us in this celebration of our life of faith in God. There is a special church area to help children feel at home here, and we hope you will join us for morning tea after the Service.

The Bible Readings for today - 3rd Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 55: 1-9

1 Corinthians 10: 1-13

Luke 13: 1-9

INTRODUCTION

The parable about the fig tree is a comment on the state of people's lives. Jesus tells his listeners to repent - to change their mind about their current commitments to injustice and unrighteousness and to return to God. If they choose to not change their minds, they risk being ruined in the same way as the Galileans were in the Temple and Jerusalemites were when the tower of Siloam fell. Jesus is not suggesting that repentance will prevent them from a physical, catastrophic death; rather, he is stating that changing their minds will prepare them for whatever they will experience, including producing fruit.

Call to Worship:

Leader: Blazing in a bush
Burning in a fiery pillar
Moses met you
All: Come God and meet us now.

Leader: Walking through a city
Listening to a story
Disciples met you
All: Come God and meet us now.

Leader: Fire round their heads
Holiness in their lives
Believers met you
All: Come God and meet us now.

Sentence:

As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts, says the Lord.

Isaiah 55:9

Collect:

**Holy God,
merciful and patient over all creation,
who confronts our casual and fruitless ways,
fire our hearts with compassion,
quicken our minds against deceit and shallowness,
and strengthen our wills to resist evil
and follow Christ.**

**Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen**

Notices:

Church leaders in Christchurch (including our Bishop) have issued a Call to Prayer for peace in Ukraine and ask that all churches open next Friday (25th March) from 7am to 7pm so people can come in and pray. St Ambrose will be open from 12 noon to 1pm for an hour of concentrated prayer. St Chad’s will open from 7am to 7pm. While many of us are praying frequently for Ukraine please support this initiative by also coming to one of our churches and adding your prayers to those being offered around the city next Friday. We will need a constant presence in St Chad’s over these twelve hours so if you are able to be there for an hour or so please speak to Brenda.

If you need to isolate please let one of the clergy know (phone numbers are on the back of this Pew News) so we can keep in contact with you. We can also either email or deliver a copy of the weekly Pew News and the Sunday sermon to you to keep you in touch with what is going on.

Our third Lenten study is on Tuesday at 1pm at St Chad’s.

Vestry meets next Sunday (27th March) at 11:45am at St Ambrose.

Patty recently held another repair café – it once again proved to be very successful, and many thanks to the vestry members and parishioners who attended the event.

Weekly activities at both Church sites & bookshop

Day	Activity	Time
<i>At St Chad’s site</i>		
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	10am
Wednesday	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Eucharist	10am
Friday	Day of Prayer for peace in Ukraine	7am to 7pm
	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Te Reo Service	11am
	Community Lunch - cost of meal \$3.00	12 noon
Sunday	Eucharist	8.15am
	Eucharist	10.00am
<i>At St Ambrose’s site</i>		
Monday	Mainly Music	Not being held at present
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	9:45am
	Food Bank Cafe	10am—12 Noon
	Handiscope	1-3 pm
Wednesday	Food Bank	10am—12 Noon
	Communion Service	1.00pm
Thursday	Elder Care Group	9:30am—1pm
Friday	Day of Prayer for peace in Ukraine	12 Noon to 1pm
	Food Bank Cafe	10am—12 Noon
Sunday	Communion Service	10.00am
<i>At the Barnabas Bookshop site</i>		
Days open	Tuesday through Saturday inclusive (excludes Public Holidays)	10am to 4pm

Next Week’s Bible Readings— 4th Sunday in Lent

Joshua 5: 9-12

2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32