

PARISH DIRECTORY for Linwood - Aranui

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03-1700-0214522-00 Add your name and "donation" as references.*

Humour



(See Exodus 14)

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I THINK THAT YOU HAVE SOME SERIOUS FAITH ISSUES



PEW NEWS

Sunday 25th February 2024

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 - 2nd Sunday in Lent

Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16

Romans 4: 13-25

Mark 8: 31-38

INTRODUCTION

In today's Gospel reading we hear Jesus is telling his disciples a difficult truth about what will happen to him in his death and resurrection. Peter finds it hard to take and argues with Jesus. Jesus sets out that God's ways are different from human nature: we must forget about our earthly desires and follow Jesus.

Sometimes it can be hard to accept a difficult truth. We might wonder if there have been times when we have had to receive a difficult truth. How did we react? How might we have responded if we had been in Peter's shoes?

Call to Worship

Leader: Faithful God, as we continue our journey of Lent, we come together as your family, your church, your people.

All: **We come to worship and to learn from you.**

Leader: All of us can be surprised by new opportunities, new challenges, new ways to serve you.

All: **As we gather now, help us to be more aware of who you are.**

Leader: Give us the courage to admit when we don't understand, may we grow more like you in all we do.

All: **For you call and love us all. Amen.**

Sentence

If you want to become a disciple of Jesus, deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow him. *Mark 8:34*

Collect

**Servant God, grant us opportunity,
give us willingness
to serve you day by day;
that what we do
and how we bear each other's burdens,
may be our sacrifice to you.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

IMPORTANT CONSULTATION NOTICE

On 17th March 12.00 noon, after the 10am Eucharist, we will all gather together at St Chad's to start the process of advertising for a new Vicar. This will be a chance to look at where we are going as a parish and who would best lead us. Next Sunday 3rd March we will distribute a document "Parish Consultation Questions" for your reading, consideration, and prayers to prepare for our discussion on the 17th. Please note this date on your calendar. Max & Linda, your Wardens

We are having another Repair Cafe on the Saturday 23rd March, from 10am - 12noon. But first our community worker Patty needs some idea of the people who would be willing to help? If you are prepared to offer a Skill or can make a cuppa, please write your name, phone number and skill (making a cuppa is a skill) on the sheet provided at the back of the church. If you have any enquiries please ring Patty at the office, ph 389 5833. Thank you.

Women are preparing for this year's World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 1st.

Local services will be held on Friday 1st March at:

- St Mary's Catholic Church, Lonsdale Street, New Brighton at 10.00am;
- Union Church, 378 Linwood Avenue, Linwood at 10.00am.

This year's theme is taken from Ephesians 4, "I beg you... bear with one another in love." Palestinian women share their stories and perspectives in these resources. Throughout the liturgy, the olive tree provides a powerful symbol of hope. A group of Palestinian Christian women spent four years crafting this year's materials – through the Covid pandemic **but before the current hostilities**.

Weekly activities at both Church sites & bookshop

Day	Activity	Time
<i>At St Chad's site</i>		
Wednesday	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Eucharist	10am
Friday	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Te Reo Service	11am
	Community Lunch - cost of meal \$4.00	12 noon
Sunday	Eucharist	10am
<i>At St Ambrose's site</i>		
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	9.45am
	Food Bank and Cafe	10am—12 Noon
	Handiscope	1-3 pm
	Parish Prayer Group	6pm
Wednesday	Food Bank	10am—12 Noon
Thursday	Elder Care Group	10am—12.30pm
Friday	Food Bank and Cafe	10am—12 Noon
Sunday	All Sunday Services now at St Chads site	
<i>At the Barnabas Bookshop site</i>		
Days open	Tuesday through Saturday inclusive (excludes Public Holidays)	10am to 4pm

**Messy Church meets on Saturday 2nd March at 3pm
at St Ambrose Church. All Welcome**

Next Week's Bible Readings — 3rd Sunday in Lent

Exodus 20: 1-17

1 Corinthians 1: 18-25

John 2: 13-22