

**PARISH DIRECTORY for Linwood - Aranui**

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*St Ambrose Church is at 309 Breezes Road, just off Pages Road*

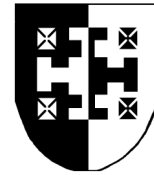
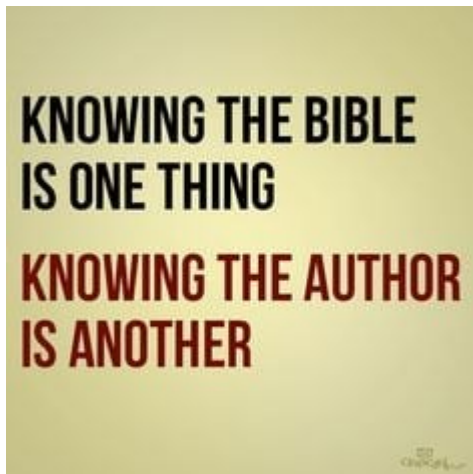
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*If you want to make a donation to the Parish, our bank account is:  
03-1700-0214522-00 Add your name and "donation" as references.*

**Notices (con't).**

**Meet My Friend Jesus**—the next Messy Church for young families is planned for Saturday 1st April, 3—4.30pm, at St Ambrose Church. All welcome.

**Humour**



*Anglican Parish of  
Linwood - Aranui*



**PEW NEWS Sunday 19th March 2023**

*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 - 4th Sunday in Lent**

1 Samuel 16: 1-13                      Ephesians 5: 8-14                      John 9: 1-41

**INTRODUCTION**

The most important eyes of all are the eyes of faith. The journey of the man born blind from blindness to sight symbolizes the journey from unbelief to faith, which is a journey from darkness to light. Those who have been enlightened by Christ can never again see themselves and their lives in the same light as before. Everything is lit up with an inner radiance. Faith helps us to find our way through the chaos, confusion and darkness of the world.

**Call to Worship**

Leader: God of darkness and light  
**All: Open our eyes to your justice**

Leader: God of goodness and glory  
**All: Open our minds to your wisdom**

Leader: God of mercy and kindness  
**All: Open our hearts to your love**

**Sentence:**

‘I am the light of the world,’ says the Lord; ‘those who follow me will have the light of life.’  
*John 8: 12*

**Collect:**

**God of unchangeable power,  
when you fashioned the world  
the morning stars sang together  
and the host of heaven shouted for joy;  
open our eyes to the wonders of creation  
and teach us to see all things for good,  
to the honour of your glorious name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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**Notices**

**Our next joint worship** is next Sunday (26th) when we worship at St Chad’s at 10am. The service will include a baptism.

**Vestry meets next Sunday** (26th) at St Chad’s at 11:45am.

**Lenten study groups** continue this week: on Wednesday at 3pm at St Chad’s and on Sunday at St Ambrose. At St Ambrose the sermon is part of the study, with discussion afterwards over morning tea. We are using a study on 1st Peter. Please speak to Brenda to get the link for a PDF or a printed copy.

**The weekly Parish Prayer Group** is underway and you are encouraged to come and be part of saying Evening Prayer with a specific focus on our parish life and mission, at St Ambrose each Tuesday night at 7:30pm.

**The Kitchen at St Chad’s** is in need of ice cream containers for storing and freezing food in. If you have any clean containers they would appreciate them.

**Patty would like to have a Repair Cafe** in the last weekend of April. But first she 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 on the sheet provided at the back of the church. If you have any enquiries please ring Patty at the office. Thank you.

**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
	Lenten Study Group	3pm
Friday	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Te Reo Service	11am
	Community Lunch - cost of meal \$4.00	12 noon
Sunday	Eucharist	8.15am
	Eucharist	10.00am
<i>At St Ambrose’s site</i>		
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	9:45am
	Food Bank Cafe	10am—12 Noon
	Handiscope	1-3 pm
	Parish Prayer Group	7.30pm
Wednesday	Food Bank	10am—12 Noon
	Communion Service	<b>Not being held at present</b>
Thursday	Elder Care Group	9:30am—1pm
Friday	Food Bank Cafe	10am—12 Noon
Sunday	Communion Service	Joint Service at St Chads
<i>At the Barnabas Bookshop site</i>		
Days open	Tuesday through Saturday inclusive (excludes Public Holidays)	10am to 4pm

**Next Week’s Bible Readings— 5th Sunday in Lent**

Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Romans 8: 6-11

John 11: 1-45