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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)

Next meeting of the AAW is on Thursday February 1st 12.00 noon. This involves a visit to the City Mission to visit their new Food Bank shop at their site at 275 Hereford Street, Christchurch Central. Lunch is at Thrive Cafe next door. Please notify Elizabeth if you are attending so numbers are known to book for lunch, phone her on 385 5500 or 0277 563 390. All ladies are invited to attend, a good chance to understand the new system used at the Food Bank.

News at St Ambrose Church

A new year and a few changes. As you know our Vicar, Rev Brenda, is retiring today and there will be a time of waiting for another person to accept a call to be priest for us. In the meantime we need to make the best use of the lay people and resources we have.

Last, Sunday 21st January, was the last time of having a Sunday Service at St Ambrose Church for a while. Everyone is encouraged to meet at St Chad's Church, same time 10.00am, and join as one congregation gathering there each Sunday.



PEW NEWS Sunday 28th January 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.

<u>The Bible Readings for today - Candlemas</u> (the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple)

Malachi 3: 1-4 Hebrews 2: 14-18 Luke 2: 22-40

INTRODUCTION

This week we come to the end of the story of Jesus' birth, as Mary & Joseph take him to the Temple to perform the rituals necessary after a birth. The encounter with Simeon and Anna, who both recognise Jesus as the promised Messiah, are a reminder to us to keep our eyes open in order to see where God is active in our world and where we can be part of such action. Where is God evident in the people around us, and in us, and how can we make people aware of the revelation of God's glory?



Call to Worship

Leader: When Jesus is born to Mary and Joseph,

All: God is there.

Leader: When Jesus is presented at the temple,

All: God is there.

Leader: When Simeon holds Jesus in his arms,

All: God is there.

Leader: When Anna recognizes Jesus in the temple,

All: God is there.

Leader: This very day,
All: God is here.

Leader: In the future we cannot see,

All: God is there. Let us worship God!

Sentence

Be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God in righteousness and true holiness.

Ephesians 4:23–24

Collect

Everliving God,
your Son Jesus Christ was presented as a child in the temple
to be the hope of your people;
grant us pure hearts and minds
that we may be transformed into his likeness,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever. Amen.

Notices

The Prayer Group meets on Tuesday at 6pm at St Ambrose.

Weekly activities at both Church sites & bookshop		
Day	Activity	Time
At St Chad's site		
Wednesday	Op Shop - Reopens 7 February	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	Currently in abeyance
	Eucharist	10am
At St Ambrose's site		
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	9.45am
	Food Bank Cafe	10am—12 Noon
	Handiscope— <i>Restarts</i> 13 February	1-3 pm
	Parish Prayer Group	6pm
Wednesday	Food Bank	10am—12 Noon
Thursday	Elder Care Group	10am—12.30pm
Friday	Food Bank Cafe	10am—12 Noon
Sunday	All Sunday Services now at St Chads site	
At the Barnabas Bookshop site		
Days open	Tuesday through Saturday inclusive (excludes Public Holidays)	10am to 4pm

Next Week's Bible Readings — 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 40: 21-31

1 Corinthians 9: 16-23

Mark 2: 29-39