



Sunday 14 July 2024
FOCUS NEWS

CHURCH

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St Martin's & St James Anglican Church stmartinsstjames.church
Together cultivating a culture of discipleship, mission & regeneration
Nau mai, haere mai, Winter Welcome to St MJ's Anglican Church

Our Vision is to:

"To Cultivate an all age culture of Discipleship, Mission and Regeneration".

Our Mission is to: Love God (Worship), Love one another (Whānau) and Love our neighbours (Mission).

Year of Growth: As a church, discipleship is important to us in that we grow not only in faith but also in numbers of people who attend our various events, gatherings and ministries.



St MJ's (St Martin St James) Belonging to a thriving faith community is an adventure filled with hope and servant-hood. If you have questions and/or made a decision to follow Jesus (or are wanting to) or encountered God in some way, we encourage you to contact one of our staff or leadership team to talk about next steps.

Visiting

If you are a regular, new or visiting, you will find the notices, sermons and teaching series on our website. We love kids so please know that you are welcome. Baby change tables off the foyer and parent children spaces are available if needed at the back of the church or other spaces (kid's church) if needed, please ask. Register now for our weekly What's coming up email. Ask at the desk.

We're looking forward to hearing from Byron Behm at all services this Sunday

Piano for a good home

Due to technology of electronic keyboards we are offering parishioners the opportunity to have their very own THOMPSON LOUNGE piano. This can be viewed at St MJ's foyer off the car park. If you have any interest please speak directly to one of the wardens.

Good News—Heating: Our insurance claim for the damaged Heat pumps in the Thompson Lounge has been mostly accepted leaving us with an excess to pay of \$5000.00 this includes inside and outside units. Even though this is a significant cost the units were 15 years old and near the end of their life span. We would have been looking at \$10000.00 to replace them in the next couple of years. So the Good News is that the heat pumps will be replaced in the next couple of weeks and the Thompson Lounge will be warm again :-)

The church heating and switchboard is booked in for replacement on the 30th of July. This is worthy of giving thanks to God for having a warm and hospitable church building.

A City Wide Fun Night of Finding Your Fit

The mission of the church was intended to be shared by the whole body of the church. When we are walking the path Jesus called us to walk we will discover grace beyond our expectations. Join us as we help you toward knowing your gifts and the joy this knowing brings.

Tuesday 20 August at 7pm at St MJ's Anglican, 50 Lincoln Road, Spreydon

Bible Readings:

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

Psalm 24

Ephesians 1:3-14

Mark 6:14-29

Sentence:

'See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel' (Amos 7:8)

Collect Prayer:

God our strength and our hope, grant us the courage of John the Baptist, constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Proverbs 10:5: He who gathers crops in summer is a prudent son, but he who sleeps during harvest is a disgraceful son. (NIV)

COMMUNION and PRAYER

All are welcome around the table to receive Communion. If you would like prayer or ministry, people will be available at the Church during and after Communion to pray with you.

COMING UP

- **Prayer Rhythms:** Please continue to pray. Prayers can be found on <https://pray-as-you-go.org/> or the NZ Prayer book is a good resource.
- **Regular Sunday Services**
 - 8.30am Traditional Anglican Communion
 - 10.30am Family Service (2nd and 4th Sunday with HC), 10.30am Kid's Church
- **Wednesday Gatherings:** 10.30am Communion, Thompson Lounge
- **The Care team meetings:** First Thursday of the month at 1.30pm.
- **Winter Sunday Lunches:** sign up on the clipboard in the church, 14 July hosted by the Phillip's., 21 July hosted by the Good Dirt Missional Community—200 Riccarton Rd.
- **Saturday 20 July—High Tea—fundraiser.** See Catharine for details.
- **Sunday 21 July—Parish Breakfast:** between morning services/

Year of Prayer & Growth

- **Daily Devotions:** Tuesdays 9am to 9.20am. Neave Room—during term time
- **Prayer for the church and the world giving thanks:** Monday 4pm Neave Room.
- **Night prayers on Zoom:** Tuesday only, 9.15pm For a login code: email Chris Thorne at billchris54@gmail.com

All Service information is available on www.stmartinsstjames.church

GIVE THANKS FOR . . .

- Our dedicated Kids' Church teachers, Youth Leaders and volunteers.

PRAY FOR . . .

- **Parishioners with special concerns:** Avril and Alan Harper.
- **Our Mission Partners and Projects:** Love Riccarton
- **Street Prayers** For the month of July in our personal prayers can we pray for all those who live in Dundee Place

NOTICES

Spring bulbs to give away, please see Kaye for more details. **Situations Vacant: Drivers— Wednesday or Sunday Services:** Can you offer a parishioner a lift to Church for our services? Please contact Sue Phillips if you can help on 029 776 1782.

Playgroup: Can you help our Playgroup team clean up after the end of our sessions? It will involve packing up and vacuuming out the Neave Room. If you could come around 11.30 am that would be such a great help for this important ministry. Please contact Sue Phillips on 029 776 1782

Cleaners: If you have a calling for Church cleaning pleased contact Bev on 338 4895 if you can help. **Prayer Ministry & Prayer Requests:** Prayer requests can be left in the prayer box in the church or sent or texted to the confidential prayer chain on 029 776 1782 or stjimschurch@gmail.com. **E-life:** see the Anglican e-life at: <http://anglicanlife.org.nz/publications/e-life/>. **GROUPS & REGULAR ACTIVITIES:** **Monday: Strength and Stretch Classes:** Contact: TuneUp Physio, Village Health 338 8595 or visit www.tuneupphysio.nz. **Wednesdays: Foodbank:** is open from 9.30 to 11am. Currently need: Cereals, Sugar (500gm), Pasta, tin spaghetti. A full list is in the Crosstrax magazine. St Martin's Church Office. **Fridays during term time—Church of St Martin's Playgroup:** 9.30-12pm. Enquires to Azaria or via the facebook page. **The Isolated Parents Group:** Every second Thursday contact Jess May on 0275852447 for more information

CHURCH CONTACTS

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YOUNG ADULTS: contact Jamie Somerville for more details.

HARVEST RANGATAHI (YOUTH): <https://stmartinsstjames.church/youth>

Harvest Thursdays – 7-9pm: Thursday: The Loft

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS: *Account Name:* Riccarton Spreydon Anglican Parish. *Account Number:* 02-0820-0264343-000 *Reference:* Name and AP #.

CYPSO (Children and Young Persons Safety Officer): Wendy Goodbrand **Police Vetting:** Chris Thorne (021 239 4091). **Health and Safety:** Wendy Goodbrand