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Sunday March 15th – Lent Four
Refreshment Sunday

9.30am – Holy Communion and J Team
Annual General Meeting



Sentence: They will neither hunger nor thirst, nor will the desert heat or the sun beat upon them, for the One who loves them will lead them and guide them beside the springs of water. Isaiah 49: 10 (adapted)

Collect: Hear us, Jesus Christ, when we ask for help to recognize temptation, for honesty to face it, for strength to resist it and the humility to give God the glory.

Everloving God, your care for us is greater even than a mother's love for her child; teach us to value a mother's love and see in it an expression of your grace, that we may ever feel more deeply your love for us in Christ Jesus our Saviour.

1st Lesson – Numbers 21: 4-9
Epistle – Ephesians 2: 1-10
Gospel – John 3: 14-21



Prayers

For those whose faith, courage, and Christian conviction and whose diligent effort and financial sacrifice resulted in the building and maintenance of this house of worship:

We thank you God

For those who laboured with mind and hand to design and construct this sanctuary that Christian people might worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

We thank you God

For all those servants of God who have led your people in worship here, who have preached your word from this pulpit, and who have administered the sacraments to waiting and believing hearts. For all teachers and leaders, all who visit, all who teach:

We thank you God

For all those who have come to this place seeking you, and who, in worshiping you in spirit and in truth, have found you:

We thank you God

For those who have brought their children here for Christian baptism, for those who have pledged their love to one another at this holy altar, and for those who in Christian faith and trust have here parted with loved ones and committed them to your love and care:

We thank you God

For those who have confessed their faith in Jesus Christ, have shared in the life and witness of the Church, and have committed themselves to the Christian life:

We thank you God

for sins that have been confessed and forgiven here, for burdens that have been made easier to carry, for distressed and troubled hearts that have known the peace that passes all understanding, and for lives that have been inspired to new heights of love and of service:

We thank you God

For all the goodness and love revealed to us in this parish. For

mainly music, the Selwyn Centre, the Opportunity Shop, Youth work, the work of committees, the hospitality we praise and we thank you, O God. **Amen.**

Source of all comfort, we pray for the lonely, the sick, the sad, the bereaved, and all who suffer or are ill. We remember Amanda, Hope, Bob, Gabriel, and Jack Hutchinson. And residence in Catalina Crescent, Corruna Road, Currey Crescent.

Grant your grace on the A.G.M that we may be blessed and strengthened in doing your will.

**O God, we always thirst for more wisdom in being your people,
more courage in being there for others,
more faith in being those
who are called to change the world into a better place,
more love in being the ones who show others your love,
and more gentleness with each other
as we try to do what we know we should do
in becoming the children of God.
Give to us your living water every day,
that we may never thirst again. Amen.**

Spirit of the living God,
Hear our prayers.

We sing the Lord's Prayer

Next Sunday – March 22nd - Services at 8.00am and 9.30am

1st Lesson – Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Epistle - Hebrews 5: 5-10

Gospel – John 12: 20-33

8.00am- Colin Stanbridge, Brynyce Owen, Ian Turner.

9.30am - Pam to advise



Each year, CBA awards three scholarships to young Christians studying for a career in media or broadcasting. The scholarships are worth \$2,500 each and the deadline for applications is 31 March 2015... just three weeks from now.

If you know of any young Christians who might be eligible, please forward this email to them, or direct them to

www.cba.org.nz/scholarships

Thank you to all who helped with the Indaba teams from Hillsborough and Russell. It was a little awkward with some

activities for the team and others for everyone. I am sorry if any were hurt. The reading we studied was Genesis 18: 19. The pizza meal was a great way for people to mix and our visitors had a splendid time, it was good to meet Fraser, Hillsborough's new vicar. The walk by the lake was very restful.

The Op. shop needs staff in March on Tuesday 24th – morning and afternoon and Tuesday 31st in the afternoon. Please sign the roster in the shop if you can help.

This Week

Tuesday 17	9.30am – 12.00 Selwyn Centre. Join us for fun, friendship, discussion, morning tea, quizzes and scrabble.
Wednesday 18	10.00am Holy Communion. Morning tea and Lenten Study.
Thursday 19	10.00am mainly music. Pre-school activity with reading, toys, music and food. \$3.00 a family. 10.00am Service at Northbridge.
Sunday 22	Passion Sunday Services at 8.00am and 9.30am. The Indaba team will be at St. Margaret's Hillsborough.

- ❖ **Changes to Shakespeare Intersection.** Have your say by Monday 16th March. to Lorelie Baker lbaker@urbansolutions.co.nz
See noticeboard for plans.
- ❖ **Remember to contribute ideas** in the Auckland City Planning. March 16th. www.shapeauckland.co.nz. for feed back.
- ❖ **The 6 Lenten studies** this year are entitled Gratitude and Grace. Come on Wednesday 10.45am
- ❖ **Certified and Qualified builder/carpenter.**
Phone David on 0212 898654 or 488 9248.
- ❖ Home Cleaning Services – general and spring cleaning.
Weekly, fortnightly & monthly cleans. Excellent, reliable service; moderate prices, references available. Contact: Yulene Knight
[021-202-0411](tel:021-202-0411)
- ❖ **Jars for Jim** to make marmalade jam for the October fair.

