Anglican Parish of Halswell Prebbleton

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Sunday 11 May 2025, Easter 4 NZPB 404

All Saints Prebbleton, 9.15am, St Marys, Halswell: 10.30am

Presiding Minister: Rev John Shoaf

Service Leaders: Rev John Shoaf (All Saints), Ormond Wilson (St Marys)

Sentence:

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd, who is willing to die for the sheep." John 10:11

Collect:

God of peace, by the blood of the eternal covenant you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep; make us perfect in every good work, and work in us that which is pleasing and good; through Jesus Christ to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen



Readings:

Acts 9:36-43: Peter raises Tabitha from the dead. John 10:22-30: Jesus and the Father are one.

Prayer: God, you are the first light cutting through the void. You are the final light which we shall enjoy forever. Help us to welcome the light and walk in it always; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Prayers for the Week

We give thanks for Aotearoa New Zealand, the sunshine and rain, and pray for all who are recovering from recent weather events, for those known to us who are suffering from illness in body or mind, and those struggling to make ends meet as winter approaches.

All are welcome to share in communion with us today, and everyone is warmly invited to share a time of fellowship and morning tea after the service.



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12—14 May		Clergy Conference
Tues 13 May	9.30am	Walking Group, All Saints
Wed 14 May	10.00am	Communion Service, St Mary's
Wed 14 May	3.00pm	Banbury Park Service
Fri 16 May	9.45am	Lil Boppers, St Marys
Fri 16 May	10.30am	Anthony Wilding Service
Fri 16 May	6.30pm	DOMINOS Youth
Sat 17 May	7.30am	Mens Group, St Marys
Sun 18 May	5.00pm	Gathering for Worship
Wed 21 May	7.30pm	Vestry Meeting
Sun 25 May		Bishop Peter visit to both services

From the Office...

Clergy Conference: Rev John will be away at this conference 12—14 May 2025.

Weekly Newsletter: If any groups or individual would like to add a notice to the weekly newsletter, please have this to the office by 12 noon on Wednesdays.

Kids Church changes at St Marys



All the young people are starting in the hall with their own 'gathering' before breaking into age groups.

The young people will continue to come over to join for communion on two Sundays each month.



Reflection: But though most did not accept Jesus, some did; and to them Jesus promised three things. (1) He promised eternal life. He promised that if they accepted him as Master and Lord, if they became members of his flock, all the littleness of earthly life would be gone and they would know the splendour and the magnificence of the life of God. (2) He promised a life that would know no end. Death would be not the end but the beginning; they would know the glory of indestructible life. (3) He promised a life that was secure. Nothing could snatch them from his hand. This would not mean that they would be saved from sorrow, from suffering and from death; but that in the sorest moment and the darkest hour they would still be conscious of the everlasting arms underneath and about them. Even in a world crashing to disaster, they would know the serenity of God. — William Barclay



Our Youth is up to something!

Next Sunday evening at 5pm we want to get together and worship God. We want this space to be a space where our Youth can come, find God and experience community. There will be contemporary worship, time to hear God speak and some toasties to follow. So invite your whānau and any young people you know, everyone is welcome.

Join us at 5pm on Sunday 18 May, St Marys.

Bishop Visit—25 May, All Saints and St Marys. Pot Luck Lunch, 12 noon

Bishop Peter and his wife, Rev Teresa, will visit the parish on Sunday 25 May and attend both services.

Please note that the service at **St Marys will start at 10.45am on Sunday 25 May.** (This is a one off change.) This will allow the Bishop to spend time with the Prebbleton congregation and to travel to St Marys.

Following the service at St Marys the whole parish will gather for a **Pot Luck Lunch**. Please bring along a plate of finger food to share in a time of fellowship together.

Parish of Halswell Prebbleton Vestry

What is the Vestry? This is a group of elected parishioners who have oversight of the running of our church—its worship, buildings, finance and maintenance.

Who is on the Vestry? A list of elected vestry members is available in each church. Over coming weeks we will get to know some of them.



Vicars Warden, Paul Mosley



Peoples Warden Reg Garters



Fellowship Potluck

Treasurer Liam Gough

You may make your plans, but God directs your actions. Proverbs 16: 9

Next Sunday 18 May 2025—Easter 5 All Saints Prebbleton 9.15am NZPB 476 St Marys, Halswell, 10.30am NZPB 476

Readings:

Acts 11:1-18: Peter's remarkable vision.

John 13:31-35: Jesus give his disciples a new commandment.

Roster for Next Sunday 18 May

	Leader	Reading	Communion	Welcome	Morning Tea
9.15am	R Garters	M Shoaf	R Hocking	M foster	Rosalie
10.30am	S Mosley	S Street	S Mosley	P Street/	N Jones/
	Data Proj: R Butler			D Watson	L Butler

Church Donations

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