

## Diary for the Week

Mon 12	9am Property Meeting 11am Tai Chi 7pm Indoor Bowls
Tues 13	9.30am Toy Library 7pm Cantando Choir
Wed 14	10am Wednesday Service Friendship NZ 1pm Gold Club 5.30pm Girls' Brigade 7.30pm Lenten Study
Thurs 15	Selwyn Centre 9.30 F & A meeting 10am OMP meeting 7pm Waikato Bee Keepers
Fri 16	9.30 Saygo 10am Mainly Music 12noon Mama & Me dancing
Sat 17	10.30am Toy Library
Sun 18	8am Communion Service 9.30am Worship Service 9.30am Insight Service

**Happy Birthday** to all who celebrate their birthdays this week.

## Rosters for 18 March

**8am Service** Steward – V Nayar  
Welcomer, Reader & Server – V & K Nayar

### 9.30am Service

Welcomers – T & B Pipe & family  
Stewards – A Taylor & E Johnston  
Readers – E Lindenberg & T Bennett  
Intercessory prayers – P & M West  
Morning Tea Roster – W & V Smithson & A & J Neal  
Lawns – 24 March W Silvester

**Two motor mowers are available for our lawns. Contact the Church Office for the second one.**

**Steady As You Go** starts in the Lounge at 9.30am each Friday. This is an hour-long exercise class run by Age Concern to help with strength, balance and to help avoid falls. All welcome. See notice on noticeboard.

**Help wanted:** We require a person to be available during the week to run the computer and sound in the Church and Hall for funerals. The person requires a reasonable familiarity with Windows and will be trained to use the Church system. Help with the Sunday services would also be appreciated. There is usually a payment for funerals. At present Alec is usually the only person available during the week.

**Rototuna Circular Bus** – Gold Club this Wednesday are meeting at 1pm and heading to Chartwell to catch the Rototuna Circular Bus which takes about 45 minutes. The bus covers quite a bit of the new housing area to the north. On our return we will have afternoon tea. The bus is free for anyone with a Gold Card. All welcome but please let Ruth 855 6048 know if you would like to come.

The Methodist Church are asking us to urge the government to refrain from block offers for new oil and gas exploration. A draft letter is on the noticeboard and you can get a copy from the office.

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**If you have a notice for this newsletter please note the deadline for notices is Thursday noon.**

**Special Appeal** -Your finance committee are asking for extra donations to cover building expenditure which has been \$26,000 more than budgeted. We intended to use the ministry vacancy to catch up, but the flooring problems have been unexpected.

The major items we have paid for are:

Flooring	\$8,663
External lighting	\$11,680
Heat Pumps	\$8,000
Alarm Wiring	\$2,013
Painting	\$2,919
Website	\$2,000

If you would like to help please mark your donation "special appeal".

Pick up your copy of the latest Spanz and Touchstone magazines.

**Lenten Appeal** envelopes are available in the Church Foyer. The appeal will be supporting: Saviour Evangelical School in Jordan (vulnerable and needy children from poor communities)Rwenzori Special Needs Foundation in Uganda (vulnerable children with disabilities in a very poor region)Arab Episcopal School in Jordan (blind and visually-impaired children).

**Please make sure when parking at the Church all cars are locked and windows closed!**

YACC members thank all those who participated cleaning and providing cars on Sunday night. \$304 was raised for Rainbow Place and Youthline.

Please check the notice board for:

**A Special Service** on 17<sup>th</sup> March at 11am at 62 London St, Hamilton to commemorate the life of the Methodist St Paul's Church Building.

Films: Mary Magdalen – from 17<sup>th</sup> March.  
Paul The Apostle of Christ from 29<sup>th</sup> March. Both on at Event Cinemas, Chartwell.

Human Trafficking Prevention training 8-11 Mch.

**Bishop Philip Richardson** letter asking us all to pray about mission in our area over the next three months, culminating in participating in the worldwide *Thy Kingdom Come* week of prayer 10-20 May. Please read the letter for further details.

**Isomura Brothers Charity Concert** 17<sup>th</sup> March, 7pm at St Matthew's Anglican Church, 269 Thames St, Morrinsville. \$15 per person, under 14 free. Exceptional musicians.

## Did you know?

We do employ a cleaner but with his eight hours a week he can only cover a small amount of the cleaning. The rest is up to us. Last Saturday 11 people turned up to clean, or help in the gardens. Out of over 600 parishioners that is not near enough. There were many jobs most people could do but not enough hands were available. Next Sunday we will advertise the next working bee. I hope a lot of you will come or offer your help for a future date.

We do not employ a gardener! Neil Colyer does a wonderful job voluntarily but needs help. Watch this space for the next gardening working bee.



**OPEN HOME FOUNDATION**  
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## FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED

"Supporting Families Caring for Children"

Do you want to make a real difference in the life of a child? We are looking for caring people who are willing to open up their heart and home to care for children or young people. This could be for a weekend once a month, a week, or sometimes longer.

As an Open Home Foundation foster parent, you will receive:

- Reimbursement on a fortnightly basis for the expenses of having a child in care.
- Initial and ongoing training.
- 24/7 social work support.

**For further details please contact:**  
Waikato/Hauraki Service Centre  
Michelle Hanna – Foster Parent Social Worker  
p: 07 847 2607  
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A Christian Community Response [www.ohf.org.nz](http://www.ohf.org.nz)



**Gordonton Presbyterian Church** is about to celebrate 100 years since the dedication of its Church in 1918. The celebration will take place on the last weekend of October 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 2018. Preliminary programme:  
Afternoon tea: Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> at Woodlands Homestead, Gordonton  
Evening of Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup>: A celebration dinner in the Gordonton Hall  
Sunday morning October 28<sup>th</sup>: Worship service at Gordonton Presbyterian/Oaks Christian Centre.  
A book celebrating the occasion is currently being prepared, and will be available for sale.  
Any communications or expressions of interest to [jjchryshall@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:jjchryshall@slingshot.co.nz)



Anglican – Methodist – Presbyterian  
(St Alban's)  
11 March 2018  
Lent 4

Our mission is: "To know and share God's love".

A very warm welcome is extended to this morning's services and especially to any people visiting. Paul Ellery is our musician at the 9.30am service today.

**The 8am service:** Peter Mirams is our reader and server this morning. The liturgy is *Te Wairua*.

**Transition into a Retirement Village - pros and cons.** A workshop will be held this Friday morning, 16 March 2018 at 9.30am in the Church. "There are several types of Retirement Communities with different facilities offered. This workshop will explore, compare and contrast them." Everyone welcome.

**Messy Easter Church** at 4pm on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March. All welcome and a light meal will be provided. Cost is \$5 per family

**Maundy Thursday Evening:** We plan to offer a symbolic Seder Meal at 6pm followed by the traditional Service of the Shadows (Tenebrae) at 7pm. I would really appreciate a small group (up to three) who would be prepared to meet with me to plan and prepare the 6pm meal. Please be in touch either by email or through the office. Gloria.