

Dates for the Diary

- 31 January: KFC St Mary's Halswell start up @ 10am
 31 January: St Marys Halswell, Picnic lunch
 4 February: 333 start up, St Marys Halswell @ 3:33pm-4:44pm
 4 February: Dominos start up, St Mary's Halswell @ 6pm
 7 February: Breakfast, St Mary's Halswell @ 9am
 7 February: KFC All Saints Prebbleton start up @ 9am
 7 February: Parents update gathering after 10am service @ St Mary's Halswell
 12 February: Institution for new Vicar Bryan Haggitt, St Mary's Halswell @ 7pm
 14 February: Bryans First Services: Halswell @ 8am & 10am, Prebbleton @ 9am
 21 February: Family Service St Mary's Halswell @10am
 26 March: Community Quiz Night, St Mary's Halswell, Friday @ 7:30pm
 7 March: Breakfast in the hall, 9.00am
 28th March: Palm Sunday end of Term 1



Faith, Fun and Fellowship

A Newsletter for children & families of Halswell Prebbleton Parish

Term **#1** 2010

Welcome back to the new year. This year will be an exciting year as we welcome our new Vicar and also our new Children and Families Co-ordinator.

New Vicar: Bryan Haggitt and fiancée Rebecca Wharton Greetings, I feel honoured to be called to be your next Vicar! My name is Bryan Haggitt, and I am currently finishing off a ministry as Priest Assistant (sic. Curate) at Saint Mark's Church, Remuera in Auckland. I am engaged to Rebecca Wharton of Dunedin and we are getting married at Saint Mark's in April. I have grown up in Auckland, although my family have had a long holiday connection to Kakahi, near Taumaranui, which meant every school holidays we travelled down to the central north island (a travelled Jafa). I spent 2004 in London on an OE. I managed to attain a Bachelor of Theology in 2003 from the University of Auckland. I spent the year before ordination and then my diaconate year studying at Saint John's Theological College. My interests include my Scottish heritage (I play bagpipes), creative writing and science fiction. My passion for ministry is to allow people to explore and grow in their faith and I have had a long history of working with young people in the church. I am also a member and the current network coordinator for the Order of Saint Stephen. I am looking forward to meeting you all in the near future! - Bryan



New Children's and Youth Ministry Coordinator- Brad Garrett and wife Joanne



Hello, Joanne and I recently celebrated our first wedding anniversary. We enjoy walking and watching Dvd's especially (Star Wars). Family means a lot to us. We are looking forward to study this coming year. Joanne will be studying to be a florist and I will be doing further youth and community studies. I have been Youth Ministry Enabler in South Canterbury for 5 1/2 years. I have been involved in various children's ministry events over the years. I started in the parish officially on the 10th of January however I was able to attend 333 and Dominos late last year. I went to the end of year event for Dominos. We walked around Anthony Wilding Retirement Village singing Christmas Carols and giving out parcels of goodies. We also visited a couple of parishioners. After we were all sung out, we had a BBQ on New Brighton beach. I joined in on the end of year school visits to All Saints and St Mary's. Both churches were full to the brim. Judith Bylett and Alan Scarlet performed a Christmas drama for both crowds. The parents, caregivers and young people that came to St Mary's went for a picnic in the domain afterwards. Although this year has only recently began, we are off to a great start already. The Children's and Youth Ministry Team have had a 'Beginning of the year' clean up and organisation of resources. We are in the midst of our planning and look forward to an exciting year ahead. Joanne and I look forward to meeting everyone. Blessings- Brad and Joanne Garrett

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This newsletter includes lots of opportunities for faith, fun and fellowship for children, young people, and adults too – make a note of all the dates on the back page.

Please pray for these groups and leaders as we begin this year.



Kids for Christ (KFC)

St Marys - Halswell

Sundays at 10am - starting up on Sunday 31st January

We are looking forward to welcoming all children back for the new year which will start for 2010 on Sunday 31 January. In Term One we will be introducing our new curriculum ("Light"). The term will begin with a journey with Paul and end with the celebration of Palm Sunday on 2 April.

We will continue to hold 3 age group programmes:

- Jesus and Me (J.A.M) – 3-5 years
- Kids for Christ (KFC) – 6-11 years
- KFC Upsized – 11 and over

We need people who can take the JAM programme (3-5 year olds) one or two Sundays a term – if you can help with this please let Jenny know.

On Sunday 31 January we will follow the service with a picnic on the lawn (or hall if wet), so bring your lunch and plan to stay awhile for some fellowship together and a few games and races.

Jenny Lowe

All Saints- Prebbleton

Sundays 9am- Starting up on 7th February

On the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month a KFC programme runs during the 9am service for children aged 4-10 years. During all services there are activity packs for the children to use.

Hilary Harbour

333 Club



Thursdays at 3.33pm-4.44pm - starting date is 4th February

Welcome to the new term we look forward to seeing you all again. We hope you had a happy Christmas and an enjoyable and safe holiday. I am excited to welcome Brad and Bryan. We hope Nicole will be available to join us again. We have planned some exciting interesting activities. Feel free to share ideas, or make suggestions that will enhance our programme.

Please contact Anke or Brad



Dominos - 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6pm-8.30pm

For DOMINOS we have an exciting programme planned for the term.

- 4th Feb "Water Wars" @ St Mary's Halswell- bring towel and a change of clothes. We will begin the night with a BBQ tea.
- 18th Feb "Snap" St Mary's Halswell. Digital photo scavenger hunt. Bring digital camera and download cord if you have one.
- 4th March "Feast and Famine" yeah this will be a great night bring yourselves and a friend.
- 18th March "Board Games" Please bring a board game along - might pay to name it.

Parent's Update - Sunday 7th February

We would like to invite parents/caregivers to a short meeting after Church on 7th February over a cuppa. We will give you a brief overview of what we have planned for 2010, and this will be your chance to share your ideas, comments and suggestions for KFC and Dominos - your feedback is most welcome!

Family Fun

There are lots of chances to get together for fellowship this term, plan to join together with other families for these events - fun and fellowship guaranteed!

- ☺ 31st January we will follow the service with a picnic lunch.
- ☺ Breakfast at St Mary's Halswell - 1st Sunday of the month @ 9am.
- ☺ Friday 26th March Community Quiz Night, @ 7:30pm in the church hall at St Mary's Halswell. Please bring: Teams of up to 6 members. \$5 a head and extra \$\$ for raffles. Nibbles and drinks of your choice. All ages are welcome. To input a team contact Judith (322 4134)
- ☺ 12th February Institution Service for new Vicar Bryan Haggitt (Friday) 7pm at St Mary's Halswell, if you can come please bring a plate to share for supper.

After the recent Halswell Prebbleton snail racing contest, the four contestants were congratulating each other. Only one snail wore the same number as the position it finished in. Alfred's snail wasn't painted yellow nor blue, and the snail who wore 3, which was painted red, beat the snail who came in third. Arthur's snail beat Anne's snail, whereas Alice's snail beat the snail who wore 1. The snail painted green, Alice's, came second and the snail painted blue wore number 4. Anne's snail wore number 1. Can you work out who's snail finished where, its number and the colour it was painted?



Pleasant words are like a honeycomb: sweetness to the soul and health to the bones.

Proverbs 16.24