

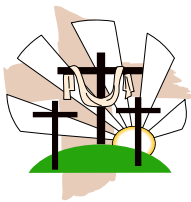
Logos

Magazine of the Anglican Parish of Halswell Prebbleton : February - March 2010

LENT For Waiting in the Wilderness

This is the wilderness time,
when every path is obscure
and thorns have grown around the words of hope.

Be the wings of our strength, O God,
in this time of wilderness waiting.



This is the time of stone, not bread,
when even the sunrise feels uncertain
and everything tastes of bitterness.

Be the wings of our strength, O God,
in this time of wilderness waiting.

This is the time of ashes and dust,
when darkness clothes our dreams and no star shines a guiding light.

Be the wings of our strength, O God,
in this time of wilderness waiting.

This is the time of treading life,
waiting for the swells to subside and for the chaos to clear.

Be the wings of our strength, O God,
in this time of wilderness waiting.

Keri Wehlander, Canada

Ash Wednesday Services - Wednesday 17th February 2010
St Mary's Church Halswell 7am and 10am
These services will include the imposition of ashes.

*Living the way of Jesus.
Sharing our life together. Reaching out in God's love.*

From the VICAR

Greetings,

As I write this I am looking forward to arriving in Christchurch. I am feeling very honoured, and quite humble that I've been called to become the next Vicar of Halswell Prebbleton.

My name is Bryan Haggitt. I'm the fifth Bryan in a row, and the Haggitts for a long time have been around the law profession although occasionally they have dallied in higher callings to the Cloth. I am also quite proud of my Scottish heritage and belong to Clan Cameron. You may see me running around in one of three kilts from time to time, or hear the soft tones of the Highland Pipes wafting on the breeze as I have a wee practise. My mother's side of the family is where all the cousins and extended relatives seem to fit in and mum comes from Blenheim where many of the family is still based. My sister Celia is a teacher of classics, social studies and music at Glendowie College in Auckland.

I am engaged to a beautiful young woman from Dunedin. Her name is Rebecca Wharton, and she has just completed a graduate diploma in Early Childhood Education through the University of Auckland; having also completed a Bachelor of Applied Management at Otago Polytechnic and working for eighteen months in between. She is from Dunedin, her parents coming originally from Wales and England, but she is staying in Auckland until we get married on 24 April at Saint Mark's, Remuera which happens to be where I have been blessed to serve my curacy for the last two years.

I have grown up in Auckland, but the family has a bach at a small village called Kakahi between Taumaranui and National Park in the Central North Island. Through my childhood we travelled down EVERY school holidays, mum and dad, myself, sister Celia and cat Simba (pre Lion King) in the car. Our current family beastie is a cat called Caledonia (Calle pronounced 'Kelly' for short), and I inherited her when I moved into Saint Marks. She will be coming down to Christchurch to keep me company before Rebecca arrives.

After my studies and time working, I spent a year overseas in London which included a month running around Europe (not long enough!) and a week in Israel. In London I did temping office work and ended up working for an Australian company rebuilding my Wembley Stadium. I continued to work for them in Auckland, and even they let me go back for a month to run around the Highlands of Scotland. I consider myself then to be a travelled Jafa!

Straight out of school I completed a Bachelor of Theology majoring in Biblical Studies. I attempted a Bachelor of Science but never really got the maths and so failed the applied side of Quantum Physics. After my stint overseas I was sent by the Bishop of Auckland to the Anglican finishing school for potential ordinands - Saint John's Theological College where most notably I worked at the Auckland City Mission, and the Selwyn Village retirement complex on extended placements. While I was there I was ordained deacon and then priest upon my release.

Besides spending time with my beautiful Rebecca, my interests also include my Scottish heritage (scotch drinkin', kilt wearin' and haggis huntin') and science fiction. I also dally in creative writing.

I've been a priest a little over two years now. By the time I arrive in the mainland I'll have done 63 baptisms and married 33 women to their husbands. I'm hoping that Halswell Prebbleton is going to be almost as prolific in this regard! I have a passion to help and 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 was a member of the Auckland Diocesan Youth Council for nine years and convened that group at various points. I also managed to get to General Synod in 2006 when we celebrated Christchurch Diocese's 150th birthday. I am a member of a religious order called the Order of Saint Stephen, and currently work as the network coordinator. It is a religious order for young people aged 16 to 30, so I will have to retire next year.

It's hard to work out what more to say so that I still have something to surprise you with when I arrive!. Rebecca and I are both really looking forward to coming down and being joined by Calle three days later and then meeting you all very soon. Rebecca is expecting me to be doing lots of parish visiting in the evenings especially around dinnertime UNTIL we get married. She is a little worried I might fade into nothingness before she arrives as an honest woman to keep me in check.

God Bless you all. See you on 12 February!

Bryan

From the Church Wardens

The Institution and Welcoming Service for the Rev Bryan Haggitt will take place in St Mary's Church on Friday 12th February at 7.00pm.



Our Bishop, the Right Rev Victoria Matthews will be presiding. All are welcome and we would recommend being seated early. Supper to follow - a plate please, remembering we will be hosting a number of guests.

Bryan comes to us from Remuera in Auckland and will be shifting into our new vicarage at 11 Six Silvers Ave, Milns Court, in the week prior to the service. In April, Bryan will be married to Rebecca. This is an exciting time for both Bryan and ourselves as our Parish moves forward.

*Murray Foster
Bishop's Warden*

Working Bee

Saturday 6th February at 9.00 am St Mary's Church and Hall On Friday 12th February we will be the hosts for many guests attending the Institution and Welcoming of our new Vicar, the Rev Bryan Haggitt.



Please join us on Saturday 6th to ensure our church, hall and grounds are at their best for this occasion. Cleaning and garden tools suggested.



What's Happening

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MINISTRY

CYMC

Hi. I am Brad Garrett the new Children and Youth Ministry Coordinator. I started 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 when we walked around Anthony Wilding Retirement Village singing Christmas Carols and giving out parcels of goodies and 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 begun, we are off to a great start already. The Children 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.

Blessings,
Brad Garrett

333 (Thursday afterschool group)

Welcome to the new term. We look forward to seeing you all again on **Thursday the 4th of February at 3:33pm**. 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 for this term. Feel free to share ideas, or make suggestions that will enhance our programme.

333 is for school aged children and held most Thursdays during the school term. We start with afternoon tea together followed by songs, games and stories. We meet at St Mary's Halswell at 3:33pm and go through until 4:44pm.

KIDS FOR CHRIST (KFC)



St Mary's Halswell

We are looking forward to welcoming all children back for the new year which will start for 2010 on **Sunday 31 January at 10am**. 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

On the **1st & 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 available for the children to use.

In The Parish ?

DOMINOS (Youth Programme)

We will start the year off on **Thursday 4th February** and an exciting programme is planned for the term. 

DOMINOS welcome young people from Year 7 upwards and is held on the **1st and 3rd Thursday at 6.00pm** with a shared tea prepared by the young people followed by games and activities. We meet at St Mary's Halswell.

Ever wondered what our name stands for? Yes we do have pizza sometimes, but it does mean something - ask one of us to explain!

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St Mary's Halswell

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333 Club:

Anka Numan T: 322 7446


All Saints Prebbleton

KFC:

Hilary Harbour T: 349 2767

For Sale

Firewood and chipped wood mulch

Recent pruning work to our Heritage Listed Oak Trees at All Saints Prebbleton has resulted in us having available good firewood for sale - pick up or delivered. 

There is also some very good hardwood chipped oak mulch - by the bag or trailer load. Proceeds to our Tosswill Lounge carpet fund.

Contact Murray 344 2322 or 0274 210002



Community Quiz Night

The next of these highly entertaining occasions will be held on **Friday 26th March** commencing at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

What to bring?

- * your team of up to 6 members
- * \$5 a head & extra dollars for raffles
- * nibbles and drinks of your choice
- * a sense of humour & readiness for fun.

You don't need a top of the range IQ to do well and all ages are welcome. Contact Judith (322 4134) and get your team organised now.



Prebbleton Walking Group



This group is well established now and walks every Tuesday morning. We meet outside the Tosswill Lounge, Prebbleton at 9.20am and walk at a pace to suit the group for about an hour. Afterwards we enjoy fellowship with coffee or tea in the Tosswill Lounge. Once a month we car pool to walk at a venue outside of Prebbleton. Men or women, young or old are very welcome to join us on a casual or regular basis. The contact is Hilary ph. 349 2767.

Free Friday Fare



The first of these popular gatherings for the year will be on Friday 18th of February in the parish hall. Not only the good food but also the friendly company attract a good crowd to these lunches at 12 noon on the third Friday of each month. The invitation is to everyone in the community. Please let Joan know if you are coming (322 8317) as this helps with setting places and catering.



My sisters and brothers in Christ, it has been my privilege to serve you over the past eleven months (who would have thought it would be for so long?!). I have valued the warmth, grace, trust and forgiveness you have shown as we have journeyed together through challenge and change, griefs and celebrations. Now it is time for your new vicar, Revd. Bryan to lead and support you into the future. My prayers will be with you all, as you begin this new adventure together in God.

As a 'local', I will continue to enjoy reading Logos, and hearing of your mission & ministry in both Halswell and Prebbleton.

God Bless and Keep You.

In Christ's love,

Friends and Neighbours

This social group for community retirees or those living alone begins the year on **Tuesday 9th February** at 1.00 pm. As usual we will make up the programme for the next few months at this meeting so please bring along your ideas and a plate for afternoon tea. Would like to join this group? Please call Diane (3227328) for further information.



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Thank you Helen for your time with us.



You have more than 'held the fort' over this time of fulltime ministry vacancy.

Sharing your time between ourselves and Linwood must at times have been a big challenge. In fact the opportunities that came to share in your relationship with Linwood were one of the high points in our 11 months together.

Your leadership through this time reminds us, that we are all in part time ministry and that we too, need to face the challenge of managing our time to best meet our calling.

Helen, you leave us well prepared to move forward now with a full time vicar, your warmth and compassion appreciated by all.

Our very best wishes for your future ministry.

Parish Wardens

World Day of Prayer

The international and ecumenical service this year will be held in St Luke's Union Church on **Friday March 5 2010**.

The women of Cameroon invite us to come with them to the *Land Of Promise, Land Of Glory*; to come together with confidence: **'Let Everything That Has Breath Praise God'**

Harvest Festival



With our new vicar arriving after this goes to press, it is not possible to give a date for Harvest Festival. As soon as we know the weekend this is to be held, we will advertise it in Shalom and on the web site.

Association of Anglican Women



Wednesday AAW

The morning AAW group start the year with their annual picnic on **February 24th** (venue to be notified) following the 10am Eucharist. Committee is to meet at Eleanor's on Thursday 4th February at 1.30pm to arrange the programme.

*Judy Palmer ph 322 7768
Eleanor Jenner ph 322 5289*

Thursday AAW

The Thursday evening AAW will start the year with our usual church crawl and supper. Please meet at the church hall on **11th February at 7.00 pm** sharp. We can then car pool. A special welcome to All Saints and the Wednesday group of AAW to join us for this interesting night out.

We will meet again in the parish lounge at **7.45pm on 11th March** to plan our year. Please bring along some ideas.

*Rosemary Edward ph 322 9962
Liz Stewart ph 349 0369*

Paua Cantata

Our community choir resumes their weekly practice on **Thursday 4th February at 7.30pm** in the parish lounge. We enjoyed their contributions to our Christmas celebrations. More tenors and basses would be welcomed. If you are interested in making music and having fun and wish to join the group, please contact Judith on 322 4134.



Mothering Sunday

This will be celebrated on **14 March** this year. A time for everyone to remember and give thanks for their mother.

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Normal Office Hours

9.00 am to 1.00 pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

2010 Garden Gala

The Riccarton/Wigram Community Board invites you to be part of this Gala Day to be held at Riccarton House 16

Kahu Road on **Thursday 18 February from 11am - 2pm**. There will be a wide range of entertainment and fun activities. You may bring a picnic lunch. Devonshire teas and light snacks will be for sale. Postponement date: Friday 19 February. Contact 941 8999 for more information about this event.





Worship Services

Midweek Service @ St. Mary's
Wednesday 10 am Holy Communion

	St. Mary's Halswell 8.00 am	All Saints Prebbleton 9.00 am	St. Mary's Halswell 10.00 am	Evening Worship 7.00 pm
7th February	Holy Communion	Eucharist	Eucharist	*
14th February AAW Sunday	Eucharist	Eucharist	Eucharist	*
21st February Lent 1	Eucharist	Eucharist	Family Service	Eucharist
28th February Lent 2	Eucharist	Eucharist	Eucharist	*
7th March Lent 3	Holy Communion	Eucharist	Eucharist	Café Church
14th March Mothering Sunday	Eucharist	Eucharist	Eucharist	*
21st March Passion Sunday	Eucharist	Eucharist	Family Service	Eucharist
28th March Palm Sunday	Eucharist	Eucharist	Eucharist	*

Please note:

**The services for Holy Week and Easter will be arranged when the vicar arrives.
These will be advertised in Shalom and on the Web Site.**

A Good Childhood - The Science and the Spirit of Parenting in the 21st Century

Theology House and the Diocese are co-hosting a six-part series on early childhood and effective parenting. Insights will be taken from psychology, philosophy, medicine, education and religion. Venue: St Margaret's College Chapel. Monday evenings, 7 to 8.30pm, February 22 to March 29. Presenters include the Children's Commissioner and the Principal Family Court Judge. Limited places; \$60 for the full course. Register with Theology House, ph 03 355-9145.

Waitangi Day Service

A service celebrating our National Day and commemorating the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi will be held on **Saturday February 6th at 10am in ChristChurch Cathedral**

