

# **Dunedin Methodist Parish**

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# **PARISH BULLETIN**

24th January 2016

WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY 31 <sup>st</sup> January			
10.00 am	Mornington	C Gibson & R Mitchell	
	Mosgiel	Combined at Mornington	
	Glenaven	Combined at Mornington	
	Wesley	Combined at Mornington	
1.00 pm	St Kilda	TBA	

# **MORNINGTON/GLENAVEN SERVICES IN JANUARY:**

24 January Sunday: Combined at Glenaven 10.40am for 11am (HWW) (Afterwards a pot-luck picnic at Watsons', 5 Cairnhill St, Maori Hill)

There will be no service at Mornington on 24 January

31 Jan Sunday: Parish combined service at Mornington 10am (CG/RM) At Glenaven there will be no service on 31 January, but 11am services resume with a communion service on 7 February (DP)

# UNITED NATIONS WORLD INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK

# "Have faith in the future" Dinner 2016

Thursday 4th February 2016 6.30pm -8.30pm

Venue: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints,

Fenton Crescent, St Clair, Dunedin

Vegetarian potluck: Bring a vegetarian meal or dessert to share

Whānau friendly - face-painting and other activities will be provided

Featuring: Guest Speakers:

Bokyong Mun, United Nations Youth Otago Regional President,

Jinty McTavish (DCC Councillor),

other speakers, poetry readings, music and more!

**Transport** to venue available: contact David Kitchingman on 476 7767 or <a href="mailto:dmkman@es.co.nz">dmkman@es.co.nz</a>

https://www.facebook.com/events/1082968835069500/

## **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Organised by the Dunedin Interfaith Council

## STORY FROM THE MISSION

Incredible Years: We talk to parents about the

power of positive attention and about re-framing requests positively and this helps parents turn around the number of incidents in their homes when children misbehave. One parent told us that she didn't realise that she was not acknowledging the good things her child did and was focusing on the negative things. By praising her child for the good things and ignoring the negative when possible, she changed the atmosphere in her home

and everyone felt happier. Her child now followed her directions. Another parent said that by changing the way she approached mealtimes and making them a positive experience for her family, her child was eating all his meal at the table for the first time.





THE LIFE MATTERS SUICIDE PREVENTION TRUST warmly invites you to attend a panel discussion to hear from people who are passionate about suicide prevention. There will be the opportunity to engage in discussion and ask questions.

**Topic**: "Breaking the Silence – suicide prevention"

**Date**: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2016 7pm-8pm followed by supper

Venue: Haven Hall, Salvation Army, 575 Princes St, Dunedin

Parking: Available on Princes St and nearby streets

Facilitator: Rev Greg Hughson

**Gold Coin Donation** 

More details (of panellists) to follow

Inquiries; <a href="mailto:lifemattersotago@gmail.com">lifemattersotago@gmail.com</a> or cell 027 212 1048

https://www.facebook.com/events/569600869864832/

LOOKING FOR HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION - Qiao, a Christian girl from China will be in Dunedin as she will be studying at Otago University. From Oct 2014 to June 2015 she studied in Auckland, and found suitable homestay through the church. If anyone is interested in contacting Qiau, her email is: <a href="mailto:q923041105@gmail.com">q923041105@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:q923041105@gmail.com">923041105@gmail.com</a> or

**ANNUAL HOLIDAY** - I will be away from the parish for my Annual Holiday from the 11<sup>th</sup> of January to the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February 2016. While I am away Rev Rod Mitchell will take care of the pastoral matters of the parish. Rev Gordon Abernethy has offered to help also in the pastoral matters of the parish when Rod is away.



# Dunedin will be welcoming newly arrived refugee families in April 2016 and we need Refugee Support Volunteers to help resettle the families.

New Zealand Red Cross supports refugee families during their first twelve months in New Zealand to resettle in the community, develop their independence and help make the transition to life in New Zealand as smooth as possible. Our refugee support volunteers do an extraordinary job and are a core part of the services we offer for newly arrived refugee families. Most importantly, they are a friendly face and supportive guide for a new family.

Anyone with a passion for helping people and an interest in welcoming new kiwis can be a Red Cross refugee support Volunteer. No previous experience in this area is required, as our comprehensive training equips you with the skills you will need. Volunteers receive training from Red Cross staff, along with mentoring and support during their time as a volunteer.

# To learn more:

Come along to an information evening about becoming a volunteer on either Tuesday 26 January or Tuesday 23 Feb at 7pm.

# RSVA

To RSVP for the information evening:

## Email

otago@redcross.org.nz

### Phone

03 477 1527

## Visit

31 York Place, Dunedin