

SUNDAY 13TH AUGUST

9.00 am Eucharist – Christ Church, Whangarei

Presider: *The Reverend Alan Burnett*

Preacher: *The Reverend Peter Bargh*

10.00 am Eucharist – All Saints', Maungakaramea

Presider: *The Reverend Margaret Rapson*

8.00 pm Contemplative Service – Selwyn Chapel

Officiant: *The Reverend Peter Bargh*



**WHANGAREI
ANGLICAN**

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN AOTEAROA, NEW ZEALAND AND POLYNESIA

TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33

Sentence: God, by his own wish, made us his own sons and daughters through the Word of truth that we might be, so to speak, the first specimens of his new creation.

James 1:18

Collect: Almighty God, your word is a lamp to our feet and a light on our path; grant that by patient study of the Scriptures we may follow more closely the way that you have set before us; through Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

WELCOME TO WHANGAREI ANGLICAN

“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

We are reminded in the Epistle to the Romans that salvation is for all, with there being no distinction between Jew and Greek. More than that, “the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.” The epistle reading leans toward a familiar biblical challenge, to recognise God’s saving power in the unexpected – unexpected places and people. It is a cause for celebration, that in our neighbour, who can be as different from us as Jew from Greek, we may meet the presence of the Risen Christ...or, at the very least, encounter somebody else who is made in God’s own image and can bear the Gospel to others in the world. For some of us, our own busyness, or our own routines, individually and collectively, can make it difficult to find times to be with those who are different from us, or different from those we expect to meet in our lives. This, in turn, limits how we see God at work. If we only ever see God at work in the lives of people like us, then we are the poorer for it as we can miss the beautiful scope of God’s work. Opportunities to worship with others are to be cherished for they reveal something of the beauty of God; sadly, they are fewer and farther between than many of us would like – symptomatic of our patterned lives. This lack of exposure to difference does not just leave us impoverished. This passage also reminds us of others who miss out because of this. How can people call on the Lord if they have not heard of him? We are called on to proclaim the Good News in all we do, trusting that our lives have been changed because Jesus lives and that this is worth sharing with others. The gap between what we affirm on Sunday mornings and how we often live our lives can be a real challenge for us as Christians; so, we are reminded, “how beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!” Thankfully, there are times we meet these challenges, both in terms of the people we meet and those times we know we have born the Gospel to others in Whangarei. May those be the times we celebrate and aspire to.

WHAT'S ON TODAY

GROWING THE FAMILY OF CHRIST: This morning, during our 9am worship at Christ Church, we are privileged to have with us Horst Nasarek, a German Lutheran Pastor and brother of parishioner Walter, who will be celebrating the sacrament of Baptism with us this morning. A joy to have an ecumenical partner with us as we welcome two new young people into the family of Christ that knows no border of language or race.

YOUNG ADULTS HOME GROUP: Tonight, Sunday, 13 August at 5:30 p.m. the Young Adults Home Group will meet again as we journey between homes. This is a group for those in that nebulous genre of age somewhere between 18 and 30 something, seeking to encourage faith and fellowship within it. If you or someone you know is interested, contact Peter Bargh for details on time and location. Contact details are on the back of the newsletter.

CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE: This evening at 8pm, you are welcome to join us in the Selwyn Chapel in Christ Church, Whangarei, for our monthly contemplative service followed by a port in the quiet room. This service draws on the Anglican tradition of night prayer as well as the reflective nature of Taize-inspired worship.

FOR THE DIARY

SELWYN CENTRE: On Monday 14th August from 9.30am, join us in the Parish Hall/Lounge for morning tea followed by gentle exercise (not compulsory). The speaker will be John Wright on his adventures during his life at sea. This will be followed by a cooked lunch. Cost for the morning is \$8.00 per person. As we need to know numbers could you please ring Pauline Farr for more details, (09) 437 1444.

WHANGAREI ANGLICAN NEWS

VICARAGE FAMILY: The vicarage family wishes to extend its thanks to all those who have held them in their prayers recently, especially Hayley. Thus far, recovery is going well and things are positive. We have really appreciated the support over this time.

THE ANGLICAN CARE CENTRE: Is holding a series of free workshops entitled MONEY MATES, starting on Wednesday 23rd August and continuing for a further 5 weeks. They will be held at the Care Centre and will start at 9.30 am through to 11.30. For those interested in managing their money better these are for you! Also provided – Morning tea and prizes. To register please ring 4376397.

VISION CONFERENCE: A big thank you to all those who attended our conference yesterday, it was great to see so many of you there, and hopefully you learnt a lot regarding our hopes and plans for the future of this Church. In the coming week expect to see a summation of the day, with any additional information regarding the appointment process or meetings also coming via newsletter and email.

VOLUNTEER COOK(S) SOUGHT FOR SELWYN CENTRE: Do you love to cook? Have an ability to prepare a meal for a large number of people? Then we would love to hear from you. The Selwyn Centre, which meets every Monday, is seeking a volunteer or volunteers to prepare lunch for the wonderful group that gathers each week. If you're interested, please contact Alan Burnett, details on back of newsletter.

EXCESS PEWS FOR SALE: With a recent reshuffle in Christ Church, the parish has a number of additional pews it no longer needs. It has been agreed that parishioners may buy excess pews at \$200 per unit. Actual price is between \$300 and \$500 each.

ACCOMMODATION SOUGHT: A parishioner in our community is seeking new accommodation due to a challenging neighbouring environment and wishes to know whether there is any available. They are seeking a small, tidy house or unit to rent that is in a quiet area. If you know of such a place or have connections with rental businesses/individuals that may be able to help, please contact the Parish Office via email, phone or by popping in. Contact details are on the back of the newsletter.

FIJI FUNDRAISING UPDATE: The Youth Mission Trip to Fiji is continuing to raise funds, currently sitting at \$6500 of the \$8000 we need. With visits, work and financial support to be offered to St Christopher's Children's Home, the parishes of St Mark's and St Gabriel's as well as the community of Nadawa and the young people who visited our church in 2015 those going will be busy and excellent ambassadors of our church while there. Please do support them in this important work! If you would like to donate, please do so either through your envelope or online giving, or contact our treasurer, Bruce McGregor. Details on the back of the newsletter.

AAW RECIPE BOOK UPDATE: The Whangarei Women's Fellowship/AAW is diligently working to produce the recipe book so many of you kindly donated family favourites to. With only graphic design and publishing still to go, expect some announcements of launch in the near future. Thank you to all who have supported.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

In the Worldwide Church, we pray for the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby as well as bishops The Rt. Revd Michael Fape (Diocese of Remo, Nigeria), The Rt. Revd Joseph Garang Atem (Diocese of Renk in the Upper Nile, Sudan) The Rt. Revd Nicholas Knisely (The Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island USA)

In our Anglican Church, we pray for our Archbishops Philip and Winston. In our Auckland Diocese, we pray for Bishops Ross and Jim, and for Bishop Kito. We pray, too, for the missions and ministries of the people in the parishes of Tamaki, Vicar Mark Sullivan; Panmure, Vicar Paul Ashman and Meadowbank,

In our World, we pray for the issues of deep concern to all those living near North Korea especially now with the latest firing of a missile capable of reaching the shores of America. We pray that all those capable of influence may keep a level vision and if possible avoid any chance of further conflict.

In our Community, we pray for the families and especially the children of the victims of the shooting that occurred in our Community last week, it is heartening to see that those around are supporting them.

We Keep in Our Prayers Max; Ngaire; Nancy; Kirsty; Anne; Carla; Sue; Barbara; Helen; Ruth & David; Yolanda; Margaret; Jeda; Jenny; Colin; Marjory; Hazel; Pauline; Win & John; Jane, Willy & Cody; Lynne; Kay; Hayley.

We Pray for Those Who Have Died: We remember Geraldine Kerr, and all those whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they all the departed faithful rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon them.

Community Prayer Chain: If you know of any person in need of prayer through sickness or any other reason, please call Rosemary Blackwell so that their name can be included in our prayers. Her number is (09) 435 3664.

Pastoral Care Coordinator: If you know of any members of our community who are unwell, unable to make it to church or have been admitted to hospital, please contact Julianna Marshall, (09) 437 2988 and she will arrange a visit/home communion.

SUNDAY 20TH AUGUST 2017

9.00 am Eucharist – Christ Church, Whangarei
4.00 pm Contemporary Service – Selwyn Chapel, Whangarei

Readings, Sunday 20th August 2017

Genesis 45: 1-15, Romans 11:1-2a,29-32, Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28.

REGULAR WORSHIP SERVICES

CHRIST CHURCH, WHANGAREI

Eucharist – Every Sunday, 9am
Messy Church – Second Sunday, 4pm
Contemplative Service – Second Sunday, 8pm
Contemporary Service – Third Sunday, 4pm
Evensong – Fourth Sunday (See Newsletters), 5pm

ALL SAINTS, MAUNGAKARAMEA

Eucharist – Second Sunday, 10am

MIDWEEK SERVICES IN SELWYN CHAPEL, CHRIST CHURCH

Morning Prayer – Tuesday and Wednesday, 8am
Eucharist – Wednesday, 12:15pm
BCP Litany and Holy Communion – Friday, 10:15am

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If you wish to speak to the Wardens or the Treasurer, please leave a note with the Parish Office and the specified officer will call you or make a time to meet.