

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

We hope you find God's presence in the service today. Please join us for a cuppa after the service and share our hospitality and fellowship

Thank You!

I would like to thank all those who have prayed for me over the last two years. The answer to your prayers is I am as well as I can be. I am grateful to God who has healed so many problems with my health. Thank you all, and God's blessings on you all.

Edith McCarthy



Many thanks to Margaret Haverfield for donating a garden hose, and Nev & Ann Dowson for donating a hose reel. The hose and reel will be locked in the 'gas tank shed'.

Notices

Combination Change

For security reasons, the combination on the "Lockbox" at Christ the King has been changed. Please talk to Wayne or a member of the Governing Body to get the new one.

Dates and Events to Note

Rhythm'n'Riggle begins for the year on Tuesday 13 February at 9am

Governing Body meets Tuesday 13 February at 1pm

Wednesday 14 February 9am, Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday 21 February 10am, Bible Studies recommence with the Lent Study: "A Lenten Patchwork – From the Wood to the Weave"



Grounds and Driveway Project Update

Hopefully we will start the groundwork this coming week, weather permitting. There may be some slight disruption to parking with machinery working in the top car park. Please take care when parking to keep out of the way of the machinery. Apologies for any inconvenience. It will be great to have this work done.

PS: Thank you for all the support we have received so far. We are still looking for donations to complete this work

Sermons etc

Remember Wayne's sermons, our Bible Studies and Pew News are all available 'on line' on our website: www.mangawhaianglican.org.nz. Sermons are also available on the entry table, or on request.

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

A HOME TO LIVE IN

I read in the news this week of a woman who was living in a Teepee. Not because she is a "hippie" or has a desire to "get close to nature". This was her

"home" because the owner of the flat she was renting asked her to move out and she could not find anywhere to live. Her best option was to buy that Teepee for \$2000 and live in the campground for \$100 a week, including power. She is not a "homeless" person in the traditional sense. She is a cafe manager and barista. A regular person with a regular job living in irregular circumstances. She told how she had met others who ended up at a campground for similar reasons: rental properties too expensive, those in the price range having fifty or more applicants, nothing available for a single person.

In the same article was the sad story of a family who had been put out of the rental house they were living in because the landlord could get up to \$300 a night on Air B'n'B. This family ended up with the parents living in one small sleep-out, their two children in another, most of their possessions in a shed, and using a caravan for kitchen and bathroom facilities. There was also another family put out of their rental home - despite the husband being employed and them being part of their local community, they could find nowhere they could afford to live and faced moving out of the area.

This is not somewhere overseas, not Auckland even, but our very own backyard – the area just north of Whangarei!

The Bible has much to say about caring for the poor and helping widows, orphans and foreigners. That is right and proper; and there are ways in which as a nation and as local communities this is happening. Certainly even more could be done, but at least something is happening.

However the people I was reading about are not "poor" in the usual sense. They are ordinary people with jobs and community connections, who find themselves without a house to live in. This seems to be due to the desire of landlords to make greater profit, lower rental stocks, more people moving into the area. This is a new situation demanding new solutions. There is no quick fix but I believe it is a situation we all have some responsibility to see attended to.

Jesus called us to "love our neighbours as we love ourselves". There is a community responsibility for seeing that adequate housing is available across the board. We can be part of getting the word out, talking to local councillors and Members of Parliament. If we find ourselves in a position to help directly we can do that. We are a resourceful nation with resourceful people. Let us pray that those resources will be made available so people have a home to live in.



Shalom, Wayne



Please keep in your prayers:

Rev Bob Newman, Rev Edith McCarthy, Robin Morgans, Diana and Grant, Margot's sister Susan, Jocelyn Cullen, Marjorie Blake, Judith Brown, baby Jonathan, Sibyl Canning and Elspeth Cooze.

Our prayers are with Helga and Terry Bardwell and family following the death of Helga's brother in South Africa last week.

Visiting: If you are aware of people you think need or would appreciate a visit from Wayne, please let him know. Also if there are people who would appreciate Home Communion.

What's on 05 - 11 February

Wed.	07 Feb.	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am
Thurs.	08 Feb.	C&K Craft Group	Christ the King	9.00-Noon
		Coffee Morning	15 Park Avenue (off Estuary Drive)	10.00 am
Sunday	11 Feb.	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am

Next week

11 February Service at 9 am
"Jesus Includes"

Readings: Psalm 30
Mark 1: 40-45

MISSION DISTRICT CONTACTS

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Pew News

04 February 2018

Theme & Readings

Prayer Book P. 456

'A Day in the Life'

OT: Isaiah 40: 21-31
Gospel: Mark 1: 29-39



Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles.
(Isaiah 40:31)

Prayer for the Week (Collect) Saving God, whose Son Jesus Christ healed the sick and brought them wholeness of body and mind: inspire us, his disciples, so that we may constantly proclaim his gospel by our words, and by the dedication and integrity of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese we pray for the Parishes of St Mark's and St Aidan's Remuera and St George's Epsom; Diocesan Council, Mission and Ministry oversight Group, Social Justice Working Group and Anglican Care Council. In our Mission District we pray for Bible studies and small groups. In our community we pray for our Member of Parliament, Mayor and Councillors, District Council, local boards and committees.

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