

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

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.

Rhythm'n'Riggle

We began with a great turn out last Tuesday! It's fantastic to have such good attendance, but it does mean we would welcome more helpers. If you can come even once a month that would be great. Please talk to Sue or Wayne.



Bible Studies - Lent Study: "A Lenten Patchwork – From the Wood to the Weave" - Beginning Wednesday 21 February at 10am in the church.

To make a patchwork quilt, pieces of patterned material from various places are shaped and put together to make something new and useful. In a similar fashion, some of the things used during the trial and suffering and death of Jesus have been taken, along with relevant pieces of scripture, and joined together to create five Lent Studies. (Studies available on the entry table, or the website)

New Telephone Directory—Mangawhai Mission District

Fay has produced a draft of the new directory—please check a copy in the foyer, and let her know if any changes are required.

Wild Weather - Our weather here has been unsettled, but nothing like Tonga has experienced. The Anglican Missions Office has launched an appeal to help in the aftermath of Cyclone Gita. If you would like to contribute, please go to the website: www.angmissions.org.nz or phone 04 473 5172. See the information on the noticeboard.

2018 Rosters ... Are you able to help with cleaning, grounds, flowers? Perhaps Bible Reading at the Sunday Service is something you could do? Or how about intercessions – we need one or two more people to lead the prayers on Sunday. There is also an opportunity to help with the sound system and data projector. Please talk to Wayne or Fay or one of the Wardens.

Harvest Festival – Advance Notice: Sunday 11 March at 9am

An opportunity to celebrate God's goodness and the great place we live in; and to pray for local farmers, growers and producers. Please bring non-perishable 'harvest items' that can be blessed and distributed. Please invite family, friends, neighbours, farmers, growers etc to this special celebration. (And if anyone can provide a loaf of fresh-baked bread for communion, please tell Wayne).

Advance Notice: Fundraising Stall — Mangawhai Market: Sat. 31st March

Baking, preserves, produce— start those cuttings now! More details to come.

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

Dust Justified

On Ash Wednesday we remembered that we are dust, just dust. That sure sounds depressing - highlighting the bad news of our mortality. Especially in a

society that wants to deny death with botox and BMWs. But we also remembered that we are far more than just dust. Because into this bit of dust, God blew the breath of life. Without God, we are "just dust." With God, through Christ, we are "dust justified."

While Ash Wednesday reminds us of our sin and mortality, it leads us ultimately to new life. The palms that hailed Christ as King are harbinger to the cross that hangs Christ as Saviour. The cross that holds us in forgiveness. From the "dust and ashes" Christ brings life abundant and new. Good news.

As we begin our "Lenten Journey" for this year, here's a Prayer-Poem by Jan Sutch Pickard that may be helpful:

*Jesus our Redeemer,
truly dust we are, and to dust we shall return;
and truly yours we are, and to you we shall return.
Help this to be a time of turning around and beginning again.
Through the forty days of Lent, help us to follow you
and to find you: in the discipline of praying
and in the drudgery of caring -
in whatever we deny ourselves,
and whatever we set ourselves to learn or do.
Help us to discover you
in our loneliness and in community,
in our emptiness and our fulfilment,
in our sadness and our laughter.
Help us to find you when we ourselves are lost.
Help us to follow you on the journey to Jerusalem
to the waving palms of people's hope,
to their rejection, to the cross and empty tomb.
Help us to perceive new growth amid the ashes of the old.
Help us, carrying your cross, to be signs of your kingdom.
AMEN.*

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.

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 19 - 25 February

Tues.	20 Feb.	Rhythm'n'Riggle	Christ the King	10.00 am
Wed.	21 Feb.	Holy Communion Bible Study	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 10.00 am
Thurs.	22 Feb.	C&K Craft Group	Christ the King	9.00-Noon
Sunday	25 Feb.	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am

Next week

25 February Service at 9 am

Lent 2 - The Cross

Readings: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25
Mark 8: 31-38

MISSION DISTRICT CONTACTS

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Theme & Readings

Pew News

18 February 2018

Lent 1 - The Desert

OT: Psalm 51: 5-17
Gospel: Mark 1: 9-15



Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

Examine me O God and know my heart, test me and discover my thoughts, and lead me in the way everlasting. (*Psalm 139:23-24*)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

God of the desert, as we follow Jesus into the unknown, may we recognise the tempter when he comes; let it be your bread we eat, your world we serve and you alone we worship. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese we pray for the Parish of Thames, the Mission Districts of Coromandel and Mercury Bay; the Local Shared Ministry Unit of Tairua-Pauanui and the Cooperating Parish of Hauraki Plains. In our Mission District we pray for Overseas Mission and stamps for mission, and the groups who use our facilities. In our community we pray for our local businesses and enterprises.

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