

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 to Lynda Wintle for leading the service this morning while Wayne is at St Paul's, Kaiwaka

Synod: September 6 - 8

This coming week members from all over our Diocese gather for Synod at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Auckland. Please remember this in your prayers, and especially our representatives Ann, Bernard and Wayne.



Coffee Morning - Thursday 6th September, 10.00 am
at **17 Moir Street, Mangawhai**, hosted by Vivienne Linnell.
All welcome!

Taonga Magazine - The latest issue of this magazine relating to the life of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa New Zealand is available on the entry table.

Bible Study – A New Study: “God Rescues His People” We have begun a new series using the “Conversations” method of Bible study. The focus will be the Book of Exodus. Studies are available on the entry table. This week: Moses Born and Saved, Exodus 2:1-10. Wednesdays, 10am at Christ the King Church.

Rhythm'n'Riggle - We are all set to go again this Tuesday. If you would like to help with this fun and lively ministry, please come along to Christ the King Lounge at 10am.

Mangawhai Market Fundraising Stall—Labour Weekend - Volunteers needed!

We are planning another fundraising stall at the Mangawhai market, **Saturday 20th October**. If you can help on the day, setting up, (8 am), selling items, or packing up (after 12 noon) please let Wayne or Fay know.

September issue of Church Life Magazine - This issue is due out mid September. Please forward any items to Fay in the office by **Friday 7th September**.

A Prayer for Father's Day

Heavenly Father,
we thank you for the many times our fathers and father figures reflected the love, strength, generosity, wisdom and mercy that You exemplify in Your relationship with us, Your children.
Today we ask that you would bless all fathers;
grant them wisdom, patience, strength and joy.
We pray that fathers who have passed into the next life have been welcomed into Your loving embrace,
and that we will all one day be reunited in your heavenly kingdom.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

“Sticks and Stones ...”

My mother was in many ways a wise person, but in this instance, I think she got it wrong. Way back when I was in primary school, I was having trouble with other kids calling me names. Naturally I told my mother who sympathised and said try not to worry too much because ... “sticks and stones may break my bones but names will never hurt me.” I know why people say that, and what it's getting at; but it's just not true. Names, and words, do break people.

You may or may not believe in “curses”, but they are real enough without going into the realm of “magic”. If you tell someone over and over and over how useless they are, or that they are no good at something ... they will eventually come to believe it and act it. Fortunately, the opposite is equally true.

A friend who was a Youth Pastor was trying to get a bunch of teenage boys prepared to sing in public (an almost impossible task I know!) She confessed that at the beginning they were pretty awful, but she believed in them. She never said they were good when plainly they weren't. However she always looked for something that could be praised each time they sang. And you know what – they improved out of sight. Her words of praise made them open to listen to instruction on what they could do better. That group of teenage boys went on to give such a flawless public singing performance that even their rugby playing mates had to acknowledge how good it was.

Jesus said it's not what goes into people's mouths that makes them 'clean' or 'unclean', but what comes *out* of their mouths. For our words reveal what is in our hearts. As followers of Jesus we are responsible to ensure what comes out of our mouths is “clean”. So that when we have hard or difficult things to say, we do it respectfully. That we do what that Youth Pastor did and look for good things to celebrate. A wise supervisor once advised me that if I had three negative things to tell someone, to look for three positive things to balance that with. As with those teenage boys and their singing, this makes criticism and instruction able to be taken on board.

Our words are to reveal a heart of love. A heart that has been transformed by the heart of God, as revealed to us in Jesus Christ. It is this heart that is to form the words we say. The love that God shows us in Jesus we are to show each other by how we speak and the words we say. Sticks, stones and names may indeed do harm. However our words, from the heart of Jesus in our hearts, bring healing and hope that the world and the people around us sorely need.

Shalom, Wayne

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“Keep brushing, floss more, and let's lay off the badmouthing, OK?”



Please keep in your prayers:

Rev. Edith McCarthy; Trewby and Rosemary; Ann and Neville's grandson, Chris; Helga and Terry's nephew, Wayne; Bob and Jan Vartan; Bev. Jaques; Peter Burnett; 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, or home Communion from Wayne, please let him know.

What's on: 03—09 September

Tues.	04 Sept	Rhythm 'n' Riggle	Christ the King	10.00 am
Wed.	05 Sept	Holy Communion Bible Study	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 10.00 am
Thurs.	06 Sept	C + K Craft Group Coffee Morning	Christ the King 17 Moir Street	9.30am—3pm 10.00 am
Sunday	09 Sept	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am

Next week

09 September Service at 9 am
Theme: Faith

Readings: Psalm 146
Mark 7: 24-30

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Pew News

02 September 2018
Theme: Words and the Heart

Theme & Readings

Morning Prayer P. 35

OT: Psalm 15
Gospel: Mark 7: 14-20



Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

In Christ we have been given our share in the heritage, as was decreed in God's design, whose purpose is everywhere at work. (*Ephesians 1:11*)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Forgiving God, your way is greater than human comprehension; open our hearts and minds to truly understand your way of inclusion, that we may know the power of grace and mercy modelled by your Son, and live as reflections of him, 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 Parishes of St Paul Symonds Street, St Matthew in the City, Ponsonby, the Mission Venture of St Augustine, Mission to Seafarers, Ranfurly Veterans Home and Hospital and the Disability Community. In our Mission District we pray for Worship Leaders, Liturgists, and Musicians at Sunday services, Bible readers and intercessors, sound and technology operators. In our community we pray for all churches, their ministers and elders, and their people.

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