

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

Happy Birthday! We extend our best birthday wishes to the **Rev. Derek Christensen**, celebrating his birthday on **Tuesday 20th November**.



Christ the King Sunday

Next Sunday we will be marking this special day at Christ the King Church. A plate for morning tea would be most appreciated.

Thank You

Thank you and well done!

The Governing Body notes that we are on target for our annual budget, and that the front driveway (up to the rise of the hill) is now completed. They would like to commend you all for your support and generous giving and donations to make this possible.

Church Life—December Edition

We will be working on this edition at the end of November, for distribution on 2nd December. Please forward all items to the office by **Friday 23rd November**.

Bible Study

This week we conclude our time with The Book of Exodus and the "Conversations" method of Bible Study with 'Quail and Manna', Exodus 16:1-30. Christ the King 10am. (Copies of the latest study are available on the entry table)

Rhythm'n'Riggle - We continue to have good attendance and a good time on Tuesdays at 10am. Come along and see what we get up to!

Planned Giving

Our regular members contribute financially to provide for our ongoing mission and ministry. If you would like to be part of this you may like to join the envelope system of giving: please talk to Trewby Bull (phone 431 4565). Alternatively, you may like to pay by automatic payment or internet banking (you would still need to talk with Trewby to get a "Giving Number."): Our bank account is with the ANZ, account name: Mangawhai Mission District; account number: 010137 : 0096373 : 00. Please use your surname/ giving number as a reference. If you have any questions, please talk to our Priest-in-Charge, Wayne,



Christmas Gifts under the Tree - Help to make this Christmas special for children less fortunate. Please leave gifts at Christ the King Church, Molesworth Drive, Mangawhai Village between 9 –11 am, Mon. - Wed. , Friday & Sundays. Label parcels boy or girl and age group. Gifts will be distributed in the Kaiwaka/Mangawhai area.

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

A Guide to Giving?

Each year, as a church family, we take the opportunity to consider, reflect and respond in regard to Stewardship. This

means taking time to recognise that we have been blessed by God and work out how we will share this blessing.

Every year it is necessary to stop and remind ourselves that one thing we need to continue here is money. As a Mission District we have a budget, which is just to keep going; to keep on doing what we are doing now. And it is just like a 'household budget'. You would not ask your neighbour to pay your power bill, or the people over the road to buy your groceries. This is for us to deal with. This is not fund-raising. These are our ordinary day-to-day living expenses. This is the cost of being the Anglican church in this place, at this time.

A colleague has a favourite message for these kinds of occasions. He calls it his "cat's meat sermon". Basically what he says is if you have a cat, or a dog - work out how much it costs to keep the cat (or dog) each week. How much for pet food, vet bills, grooming, pet equipment etc. Arrive at a dollar figure and then compare that with how much is given to God each week. He says that the amount given to God should at least be the same as the amount spent on the cat (or dog). If the amount given is less, there is an obvious question ...

It's a novel approach and he preaches a good sermon. It makes me think that perhaps a 'guide to giving' could be to work out what is spent on a hobby or interest, and compare that to the amount given for God through the church. In my case, I can compare what I spend on photography with my church giving. This can be a very clear indication of whether God or photography is most important in my life. My giving for God through the church should at least equal what I spend on photography.

I invite you to join me in taking some time to reflect and pray, and respond. The following prayer may be helpful:

Almighty God, we thank you for all the gifts You have given us: our lives, our loved ones, all that we have and all that we are.

Most of all, we thank You for Jesus, your Son and our Redeemer, who came among us to show us the way to eternal life.

Jesus was the perfect steward of your gifts, showing that complete trust in You is necessary, and that giving of self is a most important part of following Him.

May the offerings of our time, our talents, and our material resources be made in the same spirit of sacrifice that Jesus taught us by His life and death for us. Amen.



Shalom, Wayne



Please keep in your prayers:

Bernard Chivers, Rev. Edith McCarthy; Trewby and Rosemary; Bev. Jaques; 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.



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Stewardship 2



Theme & Readings

NT: 2 Cor. 9: 1-11
Gospel: Matthew 6: 31-33

Prayer Book P.404

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

I have said to the Lord, "You are my God: from you alone comes all my prosperity." (*Psalms 16:2*)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

O God, welcoming refuge for the outcast, and upholder of justice for the oppressed: maintain the hope of the poor, so that the time may soon come when no one need want for food and shelter, and all will learn to share freely, following the example of your Son who gave his very self; who now lives 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 Cooperating Parish of Hauraki Plains and the Local Shared Ministry Unit of Tairua-Pauanui. In our Mission District we pray for Sunday children's ministry and Rhythm'n'Riggle. In our community we pray for all schools, colleges and places of learning.

What's on: 19 - 25 November

Tues.	20 Nov	Rhythm 'n' Riggle	Christ the King	10.00 am
Wed.	21 Nov	Holy Communion Bible Study	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 10.00 am
Thurs.	22 Nov	C + K Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30am—3 pm
Sunday	25 Nov	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am

Next week

25 November Service at 9 am
Theme: Christ the King

Readings: Revelation 1: 4-8b
John 18: 31-37

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