### Please keep in your prayers:

Kevin, Helga & Terry, <u>Trewby & Rosie</u>, Lynne & Eddie, Gus Holgate-Simpson, Amanda, Nigel, Paul Brom, Jan W, Judith and Jonathan. Margaret Haverfield, Lindsay and Rodger Winton.

If you would like to add people or situations, and having made sure the people would like to be on our list, please phone 431 4122, or email <a href="mailto:admin@mangawhaianglican.co.nz">admin@mangawhaianglican.co.nz</a>

## What's on 18th -24th Mar

Tues 19th Mar Lenten Bible Study 10-11 am

Thurs 21st Mar. Rhythm'n'Riggle Christ the King 9.30am

Sun 24th Mar. Holy Communion Christ the King 9.00am Sun 24th Mar. AGM — after the service at Christ the King

### **READINGS**

Mark 11:1-11 John 12:12-16 Ps 118:1-2,19-29

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# Pew News MP

# Christ the King 17th March 2024

**Theme:** Following Jesus.

**Readings**: Jer 31: 31-34 Ps 51: 1-12

Heb 5: 5-10 John 12: 20-33

**SENTENCE** 

Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. (John 12: 26)

**COLLECT** 

Almighty and eternal God, you have made of one blood all the nations of the earth and will that they live together in peace and harmony; so order the course of

this world that all peoples may be brought together under Christ's most gentle rule, walking in his footsteps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYER CYCLE** 

In our diocese we pray for Bishop Ross and Archdeacon Jonathan Gale. <u>Archdeaconry of Hunua</u>: Parish of Pukekohe-St Andrew, St Paul -Jan Wallace (Bob) Vicar. Local Clergy:

Merlene Walker. Local Shared Ministry Unit of Mauka - St Bride, Ministry Support Team: David McSorley, Priest, Lyn Tidwell, Pastoral Co-ordinator, Sally Matheson, Priest, Sue Liapis, Outreach Co-ordinator, Megan Means, Enabler. Parish of Bombay-Pokena: St Peter in the Forest, St Mary on the Hill, St Jude. Congregation at Maramarua, Mangatangi and Kaiaua: Andrew Beyer, priest in Charge, Bruce Owen (Diana), Priest Assistant, Penelope Barnhill, Deacon Assistant. Local Shared Ministry Unit of Tuakau: St John, St Stephen. Ministry Support Team: Alan Rowe, Priest, Amanda Caldwell, Priest, Gay Rowe, Lynne Graham, Pastoral Care Co-ordinators, Madeline Dodds, Administrator, Tricia Carter, Enabler. Te Pihopatanga O Te Manawa O Te Wheke: Te Rohe o Te Puaha o Waikato: St John. Clergy with Permission to Officiate: Kim Parker, Sarah Pidgeon-Walton, Bruce Postlewaight, Anne Priestley, Lyn Pushong.

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#### **WELCOME TO CHRIST THE KING**

We welcome Lynda who will be leading Morning Prayer today.

We hope you find God's presence in the service this morning.

Please join us for a refreshment after the service.



### **BIRTHDAY**

**Margot Christie-Linnell** 

18th March

### **NOTICES**

The next Bible Study (Lenten) with Archdeacon Jonathan will be Tuesday 19th March at Christ the King from 10 -11 am.

Our AGM will be held on Palm Sunday, 24th March at Christ the King, 10.15am. As there will be a shared lunch after the AGM, it would be appreciated if everybody brought a small plate of food to share.

We are looking for people to come on the Governing Body. This is not an arduous job and gives you an insight into how our Mission District is run.

NB There will be no service at St Michael's or St Paul's on 31st March which is Easter Sunday. There will however, be a service of Holy Communion at Christ the King that morning at 9am. to which all will be welcome.



## Jonathan's Word

On this Passion Sunday, the fifth Sunday in Lent, we also remember St Patrick and the legend of his driving the snakes out of Ireland. We like that idea, that someone else deals with evil on our behalf. We don't have to get our hands dirty by taking responsibility.



Of course there is some justification for this idea. Jesus took our sins upon himself. It wasn't and isn't something we can do for ourselves. But is that it? Do we say, "Thank you, Jesus" and go on our merry way.

Not if the grace of God has genuinely touched us. Not if we pause to think on what it is God has done for us in the person of the Son: Messiah, King, Priest and Prophet; whose love is beyond our reasoning, largely because most of us rightly feel unworthy of it.

Having clothed us with salvation, Jesus calls us to be disciples, followers. That involves (a little awkwardly) taking up our crosses. Now there's some responsibility! But, and this is a big one, when we submit to what appears to be a heavy burden, we find that his yoke is light. We find genuine freedom is putting ourselves second, and him first. May this be a truth that glows ever brighter for each one of us during this time of Lent.