

**Please keep in your prayers:**

Kevin, Helga & Terry, Trewby & Rosie, 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 [admin@mangawhaianglican.co.nz](mailto:admin@mangawhaianglican.co.nz)

## What's on 22nd- 28th

Sun 21st April Holy Communion St Paul's 9.00am  
**No service at Christ the King.**

**No Rhythm'n' Riggle until one week after schools resume.**

### READINGS

**Acts 8: 26-40**

**Ps 22: 25-31**

**1 John 4: 7-21**

**John 15: 1-8**

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# Pew News

**Christ the King**

**21st April 2024**

**Theme: Reach out in Faith**

**Readings: Acts 4:5-12 Ps 23**

**1 John 3:16-24. John 10:11-18**

### SENTENCE

**Draw near to God and he will draw near to you.  
(James 4: 8a)**

### COLLECT

**Good shepherd of the sheep, by whom the lost  
are sought and guided into the fold;  
feed us and we shall be satisfied, heal us and we shall be whole,  
and lead us that we may be with you, with the Father and the Holy  
Spirit, where you reign one God for ever. Amen.**

### PRAYER CYCLE

In our diocese we pray for Bishop Ross Bay (Jacquie)  
and Archdeacon Jonathan Gale.

Archdeaconry of Hauraki: Parish of Campbell's Bay- St John, Helen Wilderspin, Priest in Charge. Parish of Torbay: St Mary by the Sea, Dion Blundell (Angela) Vicar, Jay Smith, Priest Assistant. Vaughan Park Retreat & Conference Centre: Chapel of the Builders of this Church, Lesley Snyman , Director. Ministry Education: Sarah Moss, Diocesan Ministry Educator, Jemma Allen (Andrew) Ministry Training Facilitator. Diocesan Students at St John's College 2024: Grace Cox, Kate Shrigley, Kim Parker, Ruth Wivell, Sarah Murphy. Clergy with Permission to Officiate: David Stevens (Sue), Claire Stewart, George Stonehouse (Janet), Margaret Strong, Vicki Sykes.

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Christ the King Mangawhai, St Michael's & All Angels Hakaru, St Pauls

## WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S

We welcome Archdeacon Jonathan Gale who will be leading Holy Communion today.

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

Please join us for a **shared morning tea** after the service. See the notice below.



## BIRTHDAY

Bronwyn Emson

25th April

## NOTICES

**Please note** that there will be no service at Christ the King this Sunday —21st April. Instead we will be joining with St Paul's, Kaiwaka, for Holy Communion. After the service we shall have a shared morning tea to thank Jonathan. Please bring a small sharing plate. Thank you.

**Pot Luck Supper on Saturday 20th April at 6 pm BYO—** hosted by Bill and Christine Bygrave at 6 Alamar Crescent. This is to thank Tony Stroobant and John McLean for their services to our church and congregation. We hope as many of you who can, will come along and enjoy the evening; **please let Bill or Christine know if you are attending.**

## Jonathan's Word

The story is told of an old Texas farmer who eked out a living on a large and arid piece of land which he sometimes wondered why he had bought. He worked hard but remained poor. He was plagued by drought, wild animals and isolation. The man's wife died, but he kept labouring away, convinced that if he could only find more hours in the day to work, he would be fine.

Eventually the old man was forced to sell his farm and leave. He moved into a simple retirement home and dwelt upon thoughts of his unfulfilled dreams.

A few short months after selling up, he was reading the paper when his eye caught the name of the man who had bought his property. The article told how the new owner had decided to bring in a team to explore for oil, and boy did they strike it rich! Oil gushed from below the surface of the farmland, and very soon the wells were capped and a rich, new oilfield opened up in the West.

We can be a bit like that with God. God is the source of all life and goodness. Within God lies the potential to turn our loves around. But more importantly God is more than willing to impart his godliness to us such that our lives are greatly enriched, and we are strengthened in the process. But we have to ask, draw near, be hungry, and reach out in faith.