### 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 <a href="mailto:admin@mangawhaianglican.co.nz">admin@mangawhaianglican.co.nz</a>

# What's on 1st-7th April

Thurs 4th April. Rhythm'n'Riggle Christ the King 9.30am

Sun 7th April Morning Prayer Christ the King 9.00am Sun 7th April Morning Prayer St Paul's 9.00am

## **READINGS**

Acts 4: 32-35

**Psalm 133** 

John 20: 19-31

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Christ the King 31st March 2024

**Theme:** Christ is Risen

**Readings:** Isaiah 25: 6-9 Acts 10: 34-43

John 20: 1-18

**SENTENCE** 

Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!" John 20: 18a

COLLECT

Living Christ, you are risen from the dead! Love reigns!

You, O Christ, are life stronger than death; raise our eyes to see you. to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

#### PRAYER CYCLE

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

Episcopal Team: Carol Hughes (Michael),

Archdeacon, Central Region. Jonathan Gale (Faith) Archdeacon, Northern Region. Liz Williams (Mark) PA to the Bishop. Michael Berry (Rebecca), Archdeacon, Southern Region. Sarah Moss, Diocesan Ministry Manager. Sonia Maugham (Glenn) Diocesan Manager. Diocesan Chancellor, Amanda Mark. Bishops' Chaplain for Retired Clergy, Rhys Lewis (Maureen). Bishop's Ministry Advisers. Bishop's Commissary in England, Jo Kelly-Moore. Retired Bishops of the Diocese: John Paterson (Maureen) Bishop 1995-2010. Richard Randerson (Jackie) Assistant Bishop 2002—2007.

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

We welcome Rev. Dr. Tony Stroobant who will be leading Holy Communion today.

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

Please join us for a refreshment after the service.



#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Marilyn Lees 27th March Peter Pedrotti 29th March

## **NOTICES**

#### At the AGM last Sunday the following were elected:

Bronwyn Emson People's Warden

Jo Sarah Vicar's Warden

Peter Pedrotti Treasurer

Those elected to the Governing body are

Celia McCaw Ann Dowson Margot Christie-Linnell

Bill Bygrave Lynn Ross

We are very grateful to all the above for their commitment to our Church and congregation.

We are looking for people to help defray the expense of lawn-mowing at Christ the King. Those who do, commit to \$100 per month. Just choose a month and write your name on the list on the noticeboard. Thank you.

# Tony's Word

The core of our Christian faith is this: the God of the gospel brings life even out of death.

We can explain this in any way we like: historically, culturally, philosophically, symbolically, metaphorically, but the bottom line for us as Christians is that God can reach into even the very deepest darkness and bring forth something utterly, unexpectedly, new and life-giving. In the Christian tradition, Easter Sunday is God's huge, emphatic, exclamation mark punctuating this truth.

As modern, rational, educated people we have been taught to be extremely sceptical about what supposedly happened that first Easter Sunday morning.

But, in truth, God has been doing this sort of thing forever.

What might seem abnormal for us, is in fact perfectly normal for God. It is this God of the gospel who said, "Let there be light", and, out of primordial chaos, formed a dry, ordered fruitful land in which to live. Everywhere we look in our memory of faith (read your Bible!) we see this God who does these wonders of life where none was thought possible.

On Easter Sunday we are among those countless people of faith, past and present, who are offered a glimpse, yet again, of a world where the life-giving power of God generates a new world of fresh possibilities.

This is all the Lord's doing,

and it is marvellous in our eyes." (Ps118:23)

Thanks be to God. Amen

