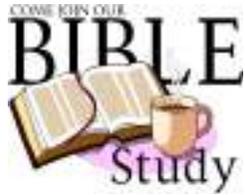


## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

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

### **Special Parish Meeting 10 am Sunday 9th June**

Notice of a special parish meeting of the Mangawhai Mission District  
The purpose is to vote for a second synod representative.  
Nomination forms can be found at the back of the church.  
Any queries please contact priest in charge Rev John Blundell



### **Bible Study - Wednesday 29th May**

Have you ever done a spiritual pilgrimage? Come join us as I share the journey Jenny and I experienced.

#### **Week 4: Rome and the Vatican**

10am, Christ the King lounge.  
Rev. John Blundell

### **Happy Birthday!**

We extend our best birthday wishes to **Kim Thornton**, celebrating overseas, yesterday **Saturday 25th May** (not April as stated last week!)

### **Church Life Magazine - June Edition**

We hope to publish the June edition by Sunday 16th June. Please forward all items to the church office by **Friday 7th June**.

### **Church Donations.**

This week Trust Management will have sent out Charitable Donation receipts to those who have "giving numbers" so that a refund can be claimed from IRD . . . 33% no less! Given that we are budgeting for a deficit of \$16,845 this year would you please consider donating any refund back to the Mission District. If anyone is unsure of the refund claim process, I am happy to help. You can pay directly into our bank account or put it in an envelope for the offertory plate. In either case clearly show your giving number. If you have donated but don't have a giving number contact Trewby . . . he will give you one and you'll be set up for this year and next year's refund!  
*Bernard*

### **St Mary's Vicarage Retreat, Ruapehu Anglican Parish**

130 Seddon Street, Raetihi

Their lovely old vicarage is available for up to 10 guests to stay in and enjoy the natural beauty of the area. The parish is situated in the foothills of Mt Ruapehu, with numerous walking tracks, bike trails, fly fishing, skiing and hunting.  
For bookings/enquiries contact Alison ali@miranui.co.nz  
Details on the noticeboard



## **Tony's Reflection**

### **A Very Special Love**

*In this post-Easter season, John's Gospel focuses on love- God's love for us, our love for God and for one another. This is a love story from the Jewish tradition, about Moses Mendelssohn and Fromet Guggenheim.*

When Moses Mendelssohn and Fromet Guggenheim were both still babies, their parents, who were distantly related, promised their children in marriage to each other. Moses was raised in a very poor Jewish family. Though a highly intelligent, warm and compassionate young man- and perhaps due to the poverty he grew up with- he was small and with a hunched back. Fromet Guggenheim, on the other hand was regarded as extraordinarily intelligent and attractive.

The time came for the young couple to be introduced, and a party was arranged for the two to meet.

While Moses Mendelssohn was busy chatting, Fromet Guggenheim peeped through the curtains to see what her husband-to-be looked like. She was horrified and immediately informed her parents that the wedding was *off!*

But that night she had the strangest dream. An angel spoke to her, saying: As you know, every time a child is born, an angel- like me- brings a new soul down from heaven to earth for that new child. Well, said the angel to Fromet, in her dream, *I* was the angel bringing the new soul of Moses down to earth from heaven when he was to be born.

On the way down, the angel continued, there was a request: Moses wanted to see the woman he would one day marry. It was unusual, but I granted Moses just one quick look. To his surprise, he saw that his future bride was ugly and with a hunched back. And so Moses pleaded with me, said the angel, saying that, in this world as it is, it is too hard that a woman should look in such a way. "I beg of you," said Moses to the angel, "Give *me* those looks, and let her be beautiful and well-formed."

Today, Moses is that boy and, Fromet, you are that girl. The dream ended and the angel went away. Next day, Fromet Guggenheim looked at Moses Mendelssohn and saw him in a completely new way. The man she saw now, and soon married, was wonderfully attractive. And their marriage has long since entered legend as a loving, lifetime partnership that produced not just their grandson, Felix Mendelssohn, the great composer, but many blessings for both the Jewish people and for us all.

*Blessings*  
*Tony*



**Please keep in your prayers:**

Neville; Maralynne and Tevita; Trewby and Rosemary; Terry Bardwell, George Skelton, Bishop Jim, Carol, Celia McCaw, Marjorie Blake, Jean and Brian, Bernard Chivers, Rev. Edith McCarthy; Bev. Jaques; Diana and Grant; Jocelyn Cullen; Judith Brown; Jonathan; Sibyl Canning, Elspeth Cooze and Petronella and Jac.

**Visiting:** If you are aware of people you think need or would appreciate a visit from our pastoral team, please let Fay know. Also if there are people who would appreciate Home Communion.

**What's on: 27 May - 02 June**

Tues.	28 May	Rhythm 'n' Riggle	Christ the King	10.00 am
Wed.	29 May	Holy Communion Bible Study	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 10.00 am
Thurs	30 May	Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30 - 12 noon
Sun.	02 June	Holy Communion Holy Communion	Christ the King St Paul's, Kaiwaka	9.00 am 9.00 am

**02 June Service at 9 am**

**Next week**

**Theme: Easter 7: Jesus' Followers**

**Readings:** Psalm 97  
John 17: 20-26

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# Pew News

**Christ the King, Mangawhai**

**26 May 2019**

**Theme & Readings**

**Celebrating Wesley Day & The Anglican/Methodist Covenant 2009**

Prayer Book P. 476

NT: Romans 5: 1-11  
Gospel: Mark 12: 28-34



**Scripture for the Week (Sentence)**

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!  
(Psalm 133: 1)

**Prayer for the Week (Collect)**

God of constant new beginnings, today we give thanks for your gift of the Wesleys to the whole church, and pray that through the power of the Holy Spirit we, and all those of good faith and good will, might become one in the Risen Christ. For we ask in his name. Amen

**Prayer Cycle**

In our Diocese, we pray for the Northern Wairoa Mission District, the Paparoa Mission District and the Mangawhai Mission District.

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

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