

## 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 **Dave Stacey** who will be celebrating his birthday on **Tuesday 27th August!**



### Fathers Day - Soup Brunch at Christ the King

To celebrate our fathers, we plan to have a special soup and rolls brunch at Christ the King Church, **Sunday 1st September**, following the morning service. All welcome!

### Update from Wayne

Check out the noticeboard for an update from Wayne, with photos from the Brussels Cathedral.

### Scriptural Way of the Cross

Combined Churches of Wellsford meeting at St Mary's Catholic Church, 6 Matheson Road, Wellsford, tonight **Sunday 25th August at 7.00pm.** Scriptural Way of the Cross - a devotional exercise following a series of texts and sacred icons depicting the journey for Christ from his Agony in the Garden to his Resurrection on the third day. All welcome. Refreshments in the Church Hall afterwards

### Anglican Junior Youth Camp

**Sunday 6th October—Tuesday 8th October**

Sir Peter Blake MERC - Long Bay. Years 6-9 \$100  
Register by 24 September - [aym.org.nz/juniorcamp](http://aym.org.nz/juniorcamp)



### Forgiveness Workshop

With the Rev Dr Karen Kemp, Dean - Tikanga Pakeha, College of St John the Evangelist. **Saturday 19 October, Christ Church, Whangarei**  
All workshops will run 11am– 3 pm Free of Charge - BYO lunch  
Register at: [www.bit.ly/Forgivenessworkshop](http://www.bit.ly/Forgivenessworkshop)



### Trading Table

Don't forget to check out the Trading Table for baking, preserves, books and other items. All contributions much appreciated!

## Tony's Reflection

### With God's Help We Can Do It!

The opening verses of the book of Jeremiah include God's call to the prophet. He was to stop whatever he had been doing and, instead, speak the word of God to his community.

Jeremiah's reply has a hint of desperation about it- as if he is trying to catch God's attention before God disappears again! The prophet felt he was far too young, and inexperienced, and totally unqualified, for such a task. Surely God had got the wrong person?

God was, indeed, listening and gently rebuked the prophet. He was to do as he had been commanded, and he was not to be afraid, for the Lord would always be with him.

My reaction was similar to that of Jeremiah when I felt called to the ordained ministry over forty years ago: "Who, me?! But I'm not a...." However, during the selection process, and during my time at theological college, and with the help of those who knew what they were doing, the sense diminished that God had maybe got the wrong person, and I felt my call progressively vindicated by the faith community, the church. And the rest, as they say, is history....

I wonder if we sometimes underestimate what we are capable of, and if others might see things in us, and the potential in us, that we don't see in ourselves often enough.

So, perhaps we could do a reading or lead a prayer during worship. Perhaps we could share in the work of the pastoral care team in the parish by doing some phoning or visiting. Perhaps we could go on that committee. Perhaps we are more capable than we think....

God was not asking Jeremiah to do what was asked of him on his own. I will be with you, God promised. You do it, I'll be there and I'll support you.

Similarly, in the church, there is a community of faith to support us in whatever we do. So perhaps the way to move beyond "Oh no, I'm sorry, but I think you've got the wrong person for that" is to say something like "Yes, I'll do it if someone can get me started", or "Yes, I'll do it if I can have some help".

As part of a faith community, we are never alone. And best of all- God is with us. Thanks be to God!

*Tony Stroobant*





**Please keep in your prayers:**

Peter Burnett, Jenny B; Maralynne and Tevita; Terry Bardwell, Bishop Jim, Carol, Paul, Amanda, Marjorie Blake, Jean and Brian, Rev. Edith McCarthy; Diana; Jocelyn Cullen; Jonathan; Sibyl Canning, Elspeth Cooze and Jac.

Please pray healing for the Ven. John Blundell, admitted to North Shore Hospital earlier this week.

**What's on: 26 Aug - 01 Sept 2019**

Tues.	27 Aug	Rhythm 'n' Riggle	Christ the King	10.00 am
Wed.	28 Aug	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am
Thurs	29 Aug	Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30-12 noon
Sun.	01 Sept	Holy Communion Soup & Rolls Brunch	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 11.00 am

**Next week**

**01 September Service at 9 am**  
**Theme: Rules for Being a Guest**

**Readings:** Proverbs 25: 6-7  
Luke 14: 7-14

**MISSION DISTRICT CONTACTS**

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# Pew News

**Christ the King, Mangawhai**

**25 August 2019**

**Theme & Readings**

**The Sabbath Was Made For Us**

Prayer Book, P 404

OT: Jeremiah 1: 4-10  
Gospel: Luke 13: 10-17



**Scripture for the Week (Sentence)**

The Lord said to me, "Do not say I am only a child .... and do not be afraid .... for I am with you to deliver you." *Jeremiah 1: 7-8)*

**Prayer for the Week (Collect)**

**Redeeming God, you draw us all to you through love rather than law; set us free from any bondage, so that we and all your children might stand upright in the dignity you give us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**Prayer Cycle**

In our Diocese, we pray for the Parish of Bay of Islands, Mission District of Kerikeri; Local Shared Ministry Unit of Kawakawa/Towai/Paihia; Local Shared Ministry Unit of Russell; Parish of Waimate North, Mangonui Mission District; Te Tai Tokerau Whangaroa Pastorate..

In our Mission District we pray for Worship Leaders, Liturgists and Musicians at Sunday services, Bible readers and intercessors, sound and technology operators. In our community we pray for all churches, their ministers and elders, and their people..

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