

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

This morning we welcome all visitors and 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.



Bible Studies

**This Wednesday 23rd October, 10 am
at Christ the King Church.**

We are going to do a series on "Christian Community", however the material has not yet arrived. So in the meantime we will look at some Old Testament Characters. This week: Esther: Saying "Yes" to God: Esther 4: 1-17. Studies are available on the entry table.

Letter from Bishop Jim

Bishop Jim has written confirming he will be retiring this month. Please read his letter and also a note from Bishop Ross on the notice-board

Advance Notice - Fundraising Stall

We are planning a fundraising stall in conjunction with the Mangawhai Museum's Christmas Event on **Saturday 30th November**. They will have a book fair, Christmas craft stalls, Father Christmas attending and expect good crowds.

We will have two tables to sell baking, sweets, preserves, produce, plants and bric-a-brac— items with a Christmas theme also.

This is a combined churches fundraising event—St Paul's, Christ the King and St Michael's—all contributions very much appreciated!



The Leprosy Mission—Christmas Catalogue 2019

The 'Really Good Gifts' Catalogue has some inspiring gift ideas to give to families living under the shadow of leprosy - the gift of sight, a prosthetic limb, crutches for a child, a sewing machine, education for a girl, vegetable seed hampers, plus many more. Check out the details on the notice board.



Summer Adventure Weekend

Long Bay Beach and Park - 17-19 January 2020

For families of all sizes, ages and stages.

Registrations need to be completed by Monday 2nd December 2019

Full details on the noticeboard or check the Auckland Anglican Diocese web page:

www.aucklanglican.co.nz



Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

Spaceship Earth?

50 years ago, July 1969, something truly amazing happened. Unfortunately the passing of time may have dimmed this astonishing achievement which certainly deserves to be highlighted. Human beings left the earth and walked on the moon – and returned safely. Neil Armstrong was the first man on the moon and I have been reading his biography. About a month before the launch, *Life* magazine asked him to reflect on the meaning of the moon-landing. This is part of what he wrote:

From our position on the earth it is difficult to observe where earth is and where it is going, or what its future course might be. Hopefully by getting a little further away, both in the real sense and in the figurative sense, we'll be able to make some people step back and reconsider their mission in the universe, to think of themselves as a group of people who constitute the crew of a spaceship going through the universe. If you're going to run a spaceship, you've got to be pretty cautious about how you use your resources, how you use your crew, and how you treat your spacecraft ...

What a different and refreshing way of seeing things. Looking at the whole population of the earth as "crew". Each person a crew member with a part to play – a gift to use, a task to do; for there are no passengers on this flight. No stowaways, no freeloaders. We all have a duty.

Then to see our planet as a "spaceship", which in reality it is. This "spaceship" has the capacity to recycle and produce what is needed. But just like the tiny spaceship that went to the moon, our planet is a delicate system. It may not seem like it, but it is very fragile. It needs careful looking after. How we use the resources and ensure all the "recycling" and "growing" systems work needs careful attention.

As Christians, we believe that all this was created by a loving and gracious God, who shared it with us, and gave us a special place: to enjoy and care for spaceship earth, its plants and creatures, and our fellow crew. *The Lord God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to tend and watch over it.* (Genesis 2:15)

When you buy a new vacuum cleaner, television, car – it comes with an instruction manual. We kind of have that in the Bible, which as a whole, guides us in how to live and relate to God, other people and the world we live in. We have it even more in the person of Jesus Christ who shows us how to be good "crew members".

So let us read the manual, follow our instructor, and look after the earth and the creatures and people God has blessed us with.

Shalom, Wayne



"Of course I care about the planet. But I'm not sure I want a pizza made from 100% recycled material."



Please keep in your prayers:

Bishop Jim, Paula, John and Jenny B; Maralynne & Tevita; Terry & Helga, Carol, Amanda, Marjorie Blake, Jean H, Rev. Edith McCarthy; Diana; Jocelyn Cullen; Jonathan; Sibyl Canning, Elspeth Cooze and Jac.

Visiting: If you are aware of people you think need or would appreciate a visit from the visiting team, please let Wayne or Fay know. Also if there is anyone who would appreciate Home Communion.

What's on: 21 - 27 Oct 2019

Tues.	22 Oct	Rhythm 'n' Riggle Visiting Team	Christ the King Christ the King	10.00 am 12 noon
Wed.	23 Oct	Holy Communion Bible Study	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 10.00 am
Thurs	24 Oct	Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30-12 noon
Sun.	27 Oct	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am

Next week

27 October Service at 9 am
Theme: Which One

Readings: Psalm 84: 1-7
Luke 18: 9-14

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Pew News

Christ the King, Mangawhai

20 October 2019

Living as God's People

NT: 2 Tim. 3: 14 - 4: 5
Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8



Theme & Readings

Prayer Book P. 476

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

Will not God grant justice to those who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? *Luke 18: 7-8*

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Holy One, nameless, you stay with us; even when we wrestle in the darkness may we never lose heart until your justice is fulfilled; through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Mission District of Albany-Greenhithe, Massey University Albany Campus, Parish of Northcote, Mission District of Glenfield, Parish of Birkenhead, Parish of Birkdale-Beachhaven and the Church Army in NZ. 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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