

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.

Happy Birthday!

We extend our best birthday wishes to **Lindsay McCaw**, celebrating his birthday **today Sunday 27th October**, and also to **Rosie Bull** celebrating on **Wednesday 30th October**.



Bible Studies

This Wednesday 30th October, 10 am at Christ the King Church.

We are beginning a new series on "Christian Community". This week "Built to Last" Ephesians 2: 11-22. Studies are available on the entry table.

Advance Notice - Christmas Coffee Morning Thursday 7th November

Park View Waters Lounge

(end of Park Lane off Estuary Drive)

Please bring a small plate of Christmas Eateries (a Christmas cake has been provided)

Friends and neighbours very welcome.



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.

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

What Does the Weather Tell us?

What do you think of this wild weather we have been having? Wind, hail, rain, icy blasts.

Hardly seems like spring does it! The ancients might have begun looking at what they had done or were doing to see how they may have angered the gods. Our Hebrew forbears seemed to understand that if they lived as the Lord God called them to live, they would get rain and sun in their season:

Faithfully obey my laws, and I will send rain to make your crops grow and your trees produce fruit. Your harvest of grain and grapes will be so abundant, that you won't know what to do with it all. You will eat and be satisfied, and you will live in safety. (Leviticus 26:3-5)

In the New Testament Jesus says:

But I tell you to love your enemies and pray for anyone who mistreats you. Then you will be acting like your Father in heaven. He makes the sun rise on both good and bad people. And he sends rain for the ones who do right and for the ones who do wrong. (Matthew 5:44-45)

What does all this mean? I don't think it's as simplistic as: we are bad therefore the weather is bad, and we need to do something to appease some angry gods. I do think the ancients were onto something when they noticed unusual weather happenings and wondered what it was telling them. It could mean things are out of balance somewhere – either in the natural world (as climate change proponents would have us believe) or in how we are living in the social world. Unusual or wild weather is perhaps an alarm bell that says: 'step back and have a good look at things – is there something that needs attention or change?' The Hebrews were convinced that our behaviour towards each other and towards God and patterns of weather were all linked:

He brings the clouds to punish people, or to water his earth and show his love (Job 37:13)

So where does that leave us?

As Christians we believe that God is in control of everything, and that includes weather. The weather may just be weather, or it may be a warning. Ultimately it reminds us of the awesome power of God; and also of God's promise to be with us in the sun and in the rain, in the wind and in the calm, in the lightning and in the rainbow.

Shalom, Wayne



"Another cloudy day. Frankly, I expected the weather up here to be nicer!"



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: 28 Oct - 03 Nov 2019

Tues.	29 Oct	Rhythm 'n' Riggle Governing Body	Christ the King Christ the King	10.00 am 1.00 pm
Wed.	30 Oct	Holy Communion Bible Study	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 10.00 am
Thurs	31 Oct	Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30-12 noon
Sun.	03 Nov	Holy Communion Holy Communion	Christ the King St Paul's, Kaiwaka	9.00 am 9.00 am

Next week

03 November Service at 9 am
Theme: Built by Jesus (All Saints)

Readings: NT: Ephesians 2: 11-22
Gospel: Luke 6: 27-31

MISSION DISTRICT CONTACTS

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Pew News

Christ the King, Mangawhai

27 October 2019

Which One?

OT: Psalm 84: 1-7
Gospel: Luke 18: 9-14



Theme & Readings

Prayer Book P. 456

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

O Lord God of Hosts, hear my prayer.
Give ear O God of Jacob. *Psalm 84: 9*

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Forgiving God, your covenant is firm; be merciful to us, and grant us to live in your presence, ever singing your praise; with Jesus, the Way, who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Parish of Kaitaia, Te Tai Tokerau: Parengarena-Ahipara-Peria Pastorate, the Co-operating Parish of South Hokianga, the Community of the Sisters of the Love of God, the Co-operating Parish of North Hokianga and the Te Tai Tokerau Hokianga Pastorate.
In our Mission District we pray for our Clergy team, Communion Assistants, welcomers, morning tea helpers, all involved in hospitality and home communions. In our community we pray for all involved in the legal sector, especially lawyers, judges and the police.

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