

## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

This morning we welcome our visitors from the Local Shared Ministry Unit of Bream Bay, Paparoa Mission District and Wellsford Mission District. We hope you find God's presence in the service today. Please join us for refreshments after the service and share our hospitality and fellowship.

**Indaba 2:** This morning we meet together with our neighbouring ministry units to gather for worship and fellowship, and also to see how we may share resources and encourage each other in our mission. We begin with our service at Christ the King, 9.30 am, followed by a time of sharing and discussion and a shared lunch. For those who wish to stay for a while after lunch, Wayne will show photos and talk about some of his sabbatical experiences.



### **Bible Studies**

**This Wednesday 27th November, 10 am  
at Christ the King Church.**

We have begun a new series on "Christian Community".  
This week "We Gather Together" - Psalm 100  
Studies are available on the entry table.

### **Eucharist Marking Bishop Jim's Retirement**

**Sunday 1st December, 3 pm, Holy Trinity Cathedral**

It is planned to present Bishop Jim with a piece of New Zealand art work. If anyone would like to contribute towards this, please place your contribution in a marked envelope and place in the collection or hand in at the office.

**Church Life Magazine** - we plan to produce the next issue on Sunday 8th December - please forward all reports and items to the church office by **Friday 29th November**.

**Christmas Gifts** - Help to make this Christmas special for children less fortunate. Please leave gifts at Christ the King Church on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday mornings. Label your parcels, boy or girl and age. Gifts will be distributed in the Kaiwaka/Mangawhai area.



### **Invitation to a Special Advent Study**

We have been invited to join with the Catholics for their Advent Bible Study using the Lectio Divina method. **2 pm on Wednesday afternoons at 11 Kagan Avenue, Beginning Wednesday 4th December.** Talk to Wayne for further information.

## Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

**Aim High!**

Last week I wrote that one of the gifts we have to offer the world as followers of Jesus is "hope". And we are tasked with keeping this hope alive to help make our world a better place. In my reading this week I came across the following from the great C. S. Lewis, which begins with "hope".

*Hope is one of the Theological virtues. This means that a continual looking forward to the eternal world is not (as some modern people think) a form of escapism or wishful thinking, but one of the things a Christian is meant to do. It does not mean that we are to leave the present world as it is. If you read history you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next. The Apostles themselves, who set on foot the conversion of the Roman Empire, the great men who built up the Middle Ages, the English Evangelicals who abolished the Slave Trade, all left their mark on Earth, precisely because their minds were occupied with Heaven. It is since Christians have largely ceased to think of the other world that they have become so ineffective in this. Aim at Heaven and you will get earth 'thrown in': aim at earth and you will get neither. It seems a strange rule, but something like it can be seen at work in other matters. Health is a great blessing, but the moment you make health one of your main, direct objects you start becoming a crank and imagining there is something wrong with you. You are only likely to get health provided you want other things more - food, games, work, fun, open air. In the same way, we shall never save civilisation as long as civilisation is our main object. We must learn to want something else even more.*

[from *Mere Christianity*, p.134]

Let us want that something else  
with all our might and aim high.  
As high as we can!

Shalom, Wayne



"Well, it's not the worst I've seen."



**Please keep in your prayers:**

Paul Lawrence, Bishop Jim, Mary Hitchcock, Paula, Maralynne & Tevita; Terry & Helga, Carol, Amanda, Marjorie Blake, Jean H, Diana, Jonathan, Rev. Edith McCarthy; Jocelyn Cullen; 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: 25 Nov - 01 Dec 2019**

Tues.	26 Nov	Rhythm 'n' Riggle	Christ the King	10.00 am
Wed.	27 Nov	Holy Communion Bible Study	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 10.00 am
Thurs	28 Nov	Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30-12 noon
Sun.	01 Dec	Morning Prayer Holy Communion	Christ the King St Paul's, Kaiwaka	9.00 am 9.00 am

**Next week**

**01 December Service at 9 am**  
Theme: Advent 1: Always be Ready/Jesus Family Tree 1

**Readings:** OT: Isaiah 2: 1-5  
Gospel: Matthew 24: 36-44

**MISSION DISTRICT CONTACTS**

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# Pew News

**Christ the King, Mangawhai**

**24 November 2019**

**Christ the King**

NT: Col. 1: 15-20  
Gospel: John 18: 33-37



**Theme & Readings**

**Scripture for the Week (Sentence)**

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!  
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!  
Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. *Zechariah 9: 9*

**Prayer for the Week (Collect)**

**Majestic God, ruler of all creation, your Kingdom is not of this world. Christ revealed a new truth. Raise**

**up truth in our lives, that as servants of your kingdom we may see your glory, sing your praises, and live a new way. Through Jesus Christ Our Redeemer, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**Prayer Cycle**

In our Diocese, we pray for the Local Shared Ministry Unit of Bream Bay, the Mission District of Paparoa, the Mission District of Wellsford, the Mission to Seafarers Whangarei and Marsden Point and the Tutukaka Coast Community Church. In our mission district we pray for our Treasurer and Finance team, Property committee, Administrator and all involved in administration and roster organisation. In our community we pray for our local newspapers and media, for all involved in radio, communication and public relations.

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