

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

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.

Happy Birthday!

We extend our best birthday wishes to **Jo Sarah**, celebrating her birthday tomorrow, **Monday 20th January**.



Wednesday Communion and Bible Study

Wednesday Communion services, 9 am, have now recommenced. Bible studies will start up on 5th February 2020 and continue the series on "Christian Community".

Fundraising Stall - Next Saturday 25th January



The Mangawhai Museum have invited us to take part in their market on Saturday 25th, Anniversary weekend, 10 am - 1 pm. We hope to take part in these markets four times a year as part of our fundraising efforts.

Donations of baking, produce, preserves, craftwork, good used clothing, bric-a-brac, or anything saleable would be most appreciated. Items can be left in the church office ahead of time or delivered to the Museum stall on the day.

If you are able to help on the stall please talk to Lindsay, Celia or Ann.



Many thanks to **Peter Linnell**, assisted by Bill Bygrave and Pete Burnett, for repairing the St Paul's Church steeple. Peter was seen atop a cherry picker, replacing and painting shingles on the steeple, which now looks fresh and sparkling! Well done Peter - we are all very grateful for your going the extra mile (and to Bill and Pete for your assistance).



Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

Help, Hope and Healing

We have begun a new year and there are new opportunities and new things to look forward to for us as individuals and as a church. However there are many in our world

who have little that is bright to look forward to, and maybe even not much hope of things getting better. One way we can give hope and help to make a bright new year is to support the Leprosy Mission.

Some people think Leprosy is a thing of the past but unfortunately it is still very much with us. Not in our country perhaps, but certainly in some of our Pacific neighbours. Every two minutes someone is diagnosed with leprosy. 99% of these people live in poor communities with weak immune systems and limited healthcare. Leprosy is a bacterium thought to be passed on by coughing or sneezing; destroying nerves in the hands and feet causing loss of feeling and making people vulnerable to injury. It is still treated with superstition and fear and because of this, often concealed. Leprosy is curable with drugs and if treated early damage is minimal.

Jesus brought new beginnings to outcast people by healing them of this dreaded disease and restoring them to the community. We can continue Jesus' mission and give a new beginning through supporting the work of The Leprosy Mission – later this year we will have a special Sunday Focus on The Leprosy Mission, and we will give our support as a Mission District. I also encourage you to consider giving support through individual donations.

Next Sunday, 26 January, marks World Leprosy Day. During this week I invite you to pray for the work of The Leprosy Mission and those suffering from this dreaded disease – for help, hope and healing. You may also like to use the Prayer for World Leprosy Day printed below.

The following are two poems written by Japanese leprosy sufferers:

*Today I walked along the beach, Where no one else would be;
And took, My grandchild's picture from my breast,
And wept, Where none could see.*

*My hands are numb and broken, I am blind;
And I can neither feel nor see, My little pot of violets;
So I bend to kiss, The wee, sweet flowers, That mean so much to me.*

Shalom, Wayne

Prayer for World Leprosy Day

Almighty Father, the giver of life and health, look mercifully on those who suffer from leprosy. Stretch out your hand to touch and heal them as Jesus did during his earthly life. Grant wisdom and insight to those who are seeking the prevention and cure of the disease; give skill and sympathy to those who minister to the patients; reunite the separated with their families and friends; and inspire your people with the task set before The Leprosy Mission, that it may never lack either the staff or the means to carry on its healing work, in accordance with your will, and to the glory of your holy name. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord. Amen.

PS Please read the note from Gillian on our noticeboard



Please keep in your prayers:

Julia Smith, Margot Christie-Linnell, Judy, Trewby and Rosemary, Peter Linnell, Ann Cullen, Susan, Paul Lawrence, Bishop Jim, Mary Hitchcock, Paula, Maralynne & Tevita; Terry & Helga, Carol, Amanda, Jean H, Diana, Jonathan, 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: 20 - 26 January 2020

Wed.	22 Jan	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am
Sun.	26 Jan	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am

Next week

26 January Service at 9 am
Theme: Come With Me

Readings: OT: Isaiah 9: 2-4
Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-23

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Christ the King, Mangawhai

19 January 2020

Come and See

OT: Isaiah 49: 1-7
Gospel: John 1: 29-42



Theme & Readings

Prayer Book P. 404

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *1 Corinthians 1: 9*

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

God for whom we long, you know what each one of us is looking for.

You sent your Son Jesus to help us find our way. Enable us to respond to his invitation to come and see, so that we may truly hear him and follow him. Through Jesus Christ our Liberator, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy, Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Parish of Takapuna, the Parish of Milford, the Parish of Devonport and the Royal New Zealand Navy, Devonport. 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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