

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.



Thank You!

To all who contributed goods to the fundraising stall at the Mangawhai Museum yesterday - for those who set up, sold goods, and packed up afterwards. Thank you so much for your help. Results will be announced in notices.

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".

C + K Craft Group

The first meeting for 2020 will be on **Thursday January 30th, 9.30 am - noon**, in Christ the King lounge. Enquiries: Ph Kim 431-5650.



Community Prayer Focus

Please see the current "Community Prayer" on the noticeboard, which you are encouraged to include in your prayers.

Prayer for World Leprosy Day - Sunday 26th January 2020

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

Fundraising Brainstorm

Governing Body invite all those with an interest in, or ideas for how we can raise additional funds, to meet on Tuesday 28th January at 1 pm in Christ the King lounge.



Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

Back to School?

"Education is not what they put into you, it's what they get out of you". That was the sign in large letters across the top of

the blackboard in Mr de Trend's classroom, where I went for spelling in standard 3 (Year 5). It was the beginning of my understanding that education is more than what happens in the classroom.

Across four whole gospels there is only one biblical record of Jesus' childhood. And what does this one childhood incident describe: Jesus diligently studying the scriptures? Jesus playing with his mates? Jesus learning his trade from his earthly father, Joseph? No, nothing like that. We are told about Jesus in the Temple with the teachers and lecturers. Jesus sitting with the people who had devoted the whole of their lives to sacred learning. (Luke 2:46-48)

And what was Jesus doing ... sitting quietly at the back? Wandering around bored? Making copious notes? Asking childish questions? Just what was this boy, Jesus, twelve years old, doing?

This is how Luke describes it: *sitting among the religious teachers, discussing deep questions with them.*

Can you picture it? These learned men, spell bound as they discussed the deep and meaningful question of life, the universe and everything, with a twelve year old. It held all their attention. Three whole days by the time Jesus' parents found him. And consider something else: these religious teachers, these lecturers and professors, doctors and lawyers engaged with Jesus, a twelve year old boy, as an equal. They didn't worry about what he was doing there. They didn't apply the 'children should be seen and not heard' rule. They gave Jesus the right to be there and they were humble enough to listen and learn - from a twelve year old. This what Luke says: *all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.*

Education is a journey, a lifelong journey. This journey is a God-given gift. It is not a solitary journey, although there are some parts we seem to have to do on our own. Education is a journey to be shared and enjoyed in good company.

My prayer is that this year, all of us would have at least one experience like the twelve year old Jesus in the Temple. And also that we might be able to amaze someone with our understanding and our answers. Not to pass an exam, or to show off, but because it is part of a wonderful God-given gift.

A wonderful God-given gift to discover that: education is not what is put into us, but what comes out of us. To add a perhaps more theological overtone to this life-long journey of education: what you learn is God's gift to you, what you do with that learning is your gift to God.

Shalom, Wayne



Please keep in your prayers:

Julia Smith, Margot Christie-Linnell, Margot's sister, Susan, Peter Linnell, Trewby and Rosemary, Judy, Paul Lawrence, Bishop Jim, Terry & Helga, Mary Hitchcock, Paula, Maralynne & Tevita; Carol, Amanda, Jean H, Diana, Jonathan, Jocelyn Cullen, Sibyl Canning, Elspeth Cooze and Jac.

Sympathy: We extend our sincere sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of **Ann Cullen**, who passed away on 23rd January.

What's on: 27 Jan - 02 February

Tues.	28 Jan	"Fundraising Brainstorm"	Christ the King	1.00 pm
Wed.	29 Jan	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am
Thurs.	30 Jan	C+ K Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30-noon
Sun.	02 Feb	Morning Prayer Holy Communion	Christ the King St Paul's, Kaiwaka	9.00 am 9.00 am

Next week

02 February: Service at 9 am
Theme: Building a Community in Christ 1: Light

Readings: OT: Isaiah 9: 2-4
Gospel: Matthew 4: 23-25

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Christ the King, Mangawhai

26 January 2020

Come With Me

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



Theme & Readings

Prayer Book P. 476

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. *Matthew 4: 23*

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Living God, your Son Jesus Christ called the fishermen to follow him. Embolden us to lay aside everything that distracts us. Give us focus and resolve to follow you. Through Jesus Christ our Liberator, who is alive and reigns 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 Northern Wairoa Mission District, the Paparoa Mission District, the Mangawhai Mission District and Te Tai Tokerau Wairoa Pastorate.
In our mission district we pray for Bible studies and small groups. In our community we pray for our Member of Parliament, Mayor and Councillors, District Council, local boards and committees..

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