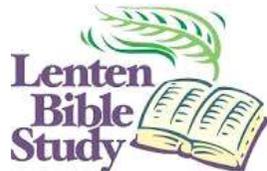


WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

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 **Maralynne Latu** celebrating her birthday today, **Sunday 8th March!**



Lent Studies - This year's Lent Studies focus on discipleship in Matthew's gospel has now commenced and continues 11, 18, 25 March, 01 and 08 April. **Wednesdays 10 am in Christ the King.** Studies available on the entry table.

COVID-19 - Precautions

Auckland Diocese has sent out a list of general precautions regarding the spread of COVID-19 flu virus. This is available to read on the noticeboard.

We will make available a bottle of hand sanitiser at the front door, Christ the King Church, on the right, as you come in, and ask that you use this on your hands as part of the ongoing precautions.

Mangawhai Mission District AGM 2020

The date for this year's AGM is **Sunday 5th April at Christ the King Mangawhai**, following the 9am morning service shared with St Paul's, Kaiwaka congregation. Please bring a plate for a shared lunch after the AGM.

Fundraising: Mission District Calendar

As a fund raising exercise Jo Sarah is putting together a pictorial calendar for the Mission District. We are selling advertising to cover the cost of the printing. If you know of any businesses that might advertise, please see Jo for the details regarding cost. Jo has a copy of a calendar which was done in Dargaville, which you are welcome to have a look at. Alternatively some of you may have photos of the area, (Mangawhai, Wellsford, Kaiwaka), which could be used in the production of this. Please see or phone Jo (027 2104166).



"CONFESSION MAY BE GOOD FOR THE SOUL,
BUT IT SURE IS TAKING AWAY FROM MY
PLAYING TIME!"

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

CONFESSION

At Bible Study last week I was reminded of something we have in our Anglican tradition, something that could be helpful and life-giving, that is often overlooked. I remembered that the Bishop who prepared us for ordination advised us to preach on sin and temptation at least once a year. However I forgot that he also linked that to "confession". We are in the season of Lent – a time when we are encouraged to take a close look at how we are doing as a follower of Jesus. Seriously. Actually take a cool, clear, hard look – how do I stack up: where am I doing well; where am I merely okay; where do I fall short; where do I need to put some effort in?

Alongside this we could also ask: is there anything I am doing or have done in the past that is holding me back? Is there something I need to deal with and get out of the way? And here the rite of confession may be just the thing. So I have made a note that every Lent, along with highlighting "sin" and "temptation", I will also remind us of the opportunity for "confession".

The Roman Catholic Church has a tradition of regular private confession. Some find this to be rather 'ritualised'. However I believe it has importance in the life of a follower of Jesus. Every time we gather to celebrate communion there is what is called a "general confession". Each person present is invited to acknowledge their sins (often a time of silence allows these to be named by the individual, silently before God). Then the presider gives an assurance of God's forgiveness and all is well..

Only sometimes it is not. Sometimes there is something that a person just has to get off their chest. A behaviour or an incident or something from the past that is burdening them. In such a case there is a form of 'Private Confession' which may be beneficial. A person is able to meet privately with a priest and lay the matter to rest. In our tradition this is now called "Reconciliation of a Penitent", on pages 750 – 753 of our Prayer Book. The following is from the introduction:

... the priest, on behalf of the Christian Community, listens to the penitent's confession of sins and declares God's forgiveness. The penitent is thus able to express the source of guilt, and the priest then offers counsel and the assurance of reconciliation. The priest exercises this ministry in complete confidentiality. The penitent is therefore able to confess in the assurance that the priest will not refer to the matter again, except at the penitent's request, and under no circumstances will ever repeat to another person what has been divulged.

I encourage you to read through the form of service – it could be a healthy Lenten Discipline. I also assure you that if you, or someone you know, wishes to use this opportunity of private confession, I am very willing to work through it with you or them. Please talk to me or contact me.

May God whose grace and forgiveness abounds bring new life to us all through the disciplines of Lent.

Shalom, Wayne



Please keep in your prayers:

Julia Smith, Win, Susan, Trewby, Judy, Bishop Jim, Terry & Helga, Mary Hitchcock, Tevita, Jonathan, Jocelyn, Sibyl, Elspeth 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: 09 - 15 March

Tues.	10 Mar	Rhythm 'n' Riggle Governing Body	Christ the King Christ the King	10.00 am 1.00 pm
Wed.	11 Mar	Holy Communion Bible Study	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 10.00 am
Thurs.	12 Mar	C+ K Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30-noon
Sun.	15 Mar	Holy Communion Family Worship	Christ the King St Paul's, Kaiwaka	9.00 am 9.00 am

Next week

15 March: Service at 9 am
Theme: Lent 3: Driven Out

Readings: NT: Romans 5: 1-11
Gospel: John 2: 13-16

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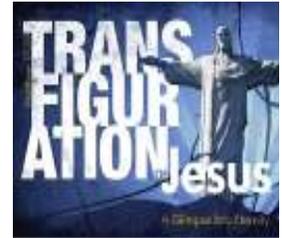
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Lent 2:

Where to From Here?

OT: Psalm 121

Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9



Theme & Readings

Prayer Book P 456

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

One thing I have asked of the Lord, which I long for, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on your beauty O Lord and to seek you in your temple. *Psalm 27: 4,5*

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

God of life and glory, your Son was revealed in splendour before

he suffered death upon the cross; grant that we, beholding his majesty, may be strengthened to follow him and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Parish of St Heliers, the Parish of Kohimarama, the Co-operating Parish of Glen Innes, the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia Partner Province: the Church of Melanesia. 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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