

Notices:

Sunday Service - "Livestream" at 9am, Sunday 19 April

All you need to do is click on this link:

<https://youtu.be/1V42m4gdVkQ>

or copy and paste into your internet browser. You can do this before 9am, but it becomes "live" at 9am Sunday.

Happy Birthday!

We extend our best birthday wishes to **Jan Pedrotti** who celebrates her birthday on **Sunday 19th April**, and also to **Bernard Chivers**, celebrating on **Wednesday 22nd April**



Tropical Cyclone Harold

Given the severity of the cyclone, the number of fatalities; the central role the church is already playing in response and recovery efforts (which will take years); the skills and the experience that the Church has already and the links Anglican Missions has with a number of response agencies, Anglican Missions is launching an emergency appeal for the TC Harold response. Money raised will go toward to the CAN-DO led proposal that ACOM is part of. A full proposal will shortly be posted on the Anglican Missions website. For information, please check the website <https://angmissions.org.nz/> or contact Michael Hartfield on michael@angmissions.org.nz or 021 913 219.

"After Easter Community Prayer"

God of life and light, Creator and Life-giver
in these days after Easter we thank you for another new beginning.

For the light shining through the windows.

For the trees and their colours.

For the birds and their songs.

Though we are sometimes alone,
the beauty we see speaks your presence
and gives us confidence to live this new day.
May we be assured your presence continues
in this time of trouble and uncertainty,
as Covid-19 threatens your world and its people.
Guide our minds and hearts as a remedy is sought.

May the successful outcome bring us
closer to one another and to you.

Amen.

Donations:

For those parishioners who normally give by an envelope or cash offering, this can still be done by internet banking, using bank account number: 01-0137-0096373-00, Mangawhai Mission District and give your name in the reference field if you wish to have your offering counted for tax refund purposes.

Feijoas - Daniel Twinn is selling his surplus feijoas at \$1 a bag. If you are passing by pick some up at 224 Garbolino Road, corner of Tara Rd. The bags will be by his letter box.

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

WE HAVE WORK TO DO

There's a line in one of the TV ads about our Covid-19 situation which says: "whanau, we have work to do." I really like that. For me it sums up where we are as the people of God in the days

after Easter. We have work to do!

In these days after Easter, in a world reeling from the affects of the Covid-19 virus, we are to be bearers of love and grace. We are to shine with hope. To model kindness. To foster an attitude of openness and generosity - not to hoard or hold tightly but to share what we have.

I came across this in an article by Dane C. Ortlund:

When the economy is tanking, opportunities to surprise our neighbours with our confidence and joy because of the gospel surge forward. Now is the time to be outside more, to be loving more, to be hospitable more. Love stands out strongest when it is least expected, rarest, but needed most.

For people who are fearful and anxious about the future we are to provide comfort and encouragement. We are the ones who know that no matter what happens, no matter what the circumstances, the light is stronger. God is with us and will lead us through. This is what Easter is all about.

John 1:4-5 in The Message says: *What came into existence was Life, and the Life was Light to live by. The Life-Light blazed out of the darkness; the darkness couldn't put it out.*

When everything looks dark, when it seems hopeless, when all possibility is ended, when there is nothing but a blank brick wall ... when there is that kind of all-enveloping, oppressive, sapping bleak blackness - there is light. It is precisely then that Jesus is our light.

I am encouraged by a poem by Ron O'Grady on this theme:

*As the sun brings the light of a new day
after the blackness of night
So Jesus brings the light of his presence
into a darkened world
The black night of war
will give way to the new day of peace
The dark night of poverty
will yield to the light of justice
At the end of all oppression lies freedom
At the end of all human hatred lies compassion
At the end of each despair lies hope
The candle will not be extinguished
light
will overcome
the dark.*



We have work to do indeed.

Let us continue to be kind, keep calm, pray, and be bearers of that light which overcomes all darkness.

Shalom, Wayne



Please keep in your prayers:

Anneliese, her father and their family, Julia Smith, Elspeth, Win, Susan, Judy, Bishop Jim, Terry & Helga, Mary Hitchcock, Tevita, Jonathan, Jocelyn, Sibyl and Jac.
Please pray for Tanya Ritter, currently unable to return from South Africa.

Prayers:

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list in your prayer time. If you would like to add people or situations please phone 431 4122, or email mangawhaichristking@xtra.co.nz



Next week

All Services, Meetings, etc are now postponed.

Next Week: 26 April - God's Promise - Hope

Livestream Service: 9am

Readings: NT: Hebrews 6: 13-20

Gospel: Luke 24: 44-48

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Pew News

**Christ the King, Mangawhai
St Paul's, Kaiwaka
St Michael's, Hakaru**

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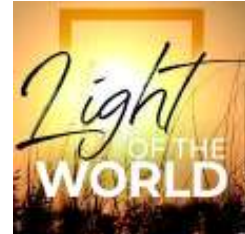
Theme & Readings

Easter 2: The Light Shines

'Livestream' Service 9am

NT: Acts 2: 22-32

Gospel: John 20: 19-23



Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

Shine forth from your throne upon the cherubim; restore us O God; show us the light of your face and we shall be saved. (Psalm 80:1,3)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

We praise you, God, that the light of Christ shines in our darkness and is never overcome; show us the way we must go to eternal day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Parish of Takapuna, the Parish of Milford, the Parish of Devonport and the Royal NZ Navy, Devonport. In our Mission District we pray for "Support services", eg, lawnmowers, gardeners, those who work around the grounds, cleaners, flower arrangers, "odd job" helpers. In our community we pray for doctors and nurses, St John, medical centres, and the Fire Service.

**Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9am-12 noon
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