

Notices:

Sunday Service - "Livestream" at 9am, Sunday 26 April

All you need to do is click on this link: <https://youtu.be/d4gEGGukKac> 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 **Bronwyn Emson** who celebrates her birthday on **Saturday 25th April**, and also to **Wayne Thornton and Margaret-anne Garbett**, celebrating on **Wednesday 29th April**.



Bishop Ross - Easter Sermon

Bishop Ross preached an encouraging and inspiring sermon on Easter Sunday. You can watch it here: <https://youtu.be/FQHLoeScyPE>

ANZAC DAY OBSERVANCE

The RSA and New Zealand Defence Force encourages us to remember those who have given their lives for our country. At 6.00am on Saturday 25 April we are invited to stand at the letterbox, at the front door, in the lounge, on the balcony, in the driveway. Wherever we are in the world, stand and take a moment to remember our fallen – but please stay within your 'bubble'. Veterans are encouraged to wear their medals just as they would for the official public gathering. There will be a "service" broadcast on the radio and internet – see the website for further details:

<https://www.standatdawn.com/home>

There will also be a short commemoration led by Wayne at Christ the King Church, at 10am. This will be "livestreamed" on youtube: <https://youtu.be/p6lbzcAI3RM>



Yes You Can Have Flour

Parishioners John and Daisy Pattan have plenty of flour available at their GAS station in Te Hana. Just give John a call on 021 287 0077 to arrange pick up etc.

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. For information, please check the website <https://angmissions.org.nz/> or contact Michael Hartfield on michael@angmissions.org.nz or 021 913 219.

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

WAR?

A couple of years ago, at this time of year, I wrote about a discussion I had with a friend who said: "what we need is a war." I was far from convinced that we needed a war. However that is no longer relevant, because we now have a war. A war not with human adversaries, but with an unseen yet deadly enemy: the Covid-19 virus. And what is more, we are all involved. There is no escaping this war. We are all "conscripted". We all have a vital part to play.

I like the way our Prime minister has been describing our country, our nation and its people, as a "team of five million". That is what we are and that is what it will take to win this particular war. The efforts and sacrifices made by each and every one of us over the past four weeks have made a huge difference. But there is more to do. This war is far from over.

Fortunately we have "special weapon" on our side. We are a small country with a big, no make that huge, heart. This we commemorate on ANZAC Day as we remember the original Anzacs who in the face of terrible circumstances displayed such courage, such tenacity, such camaraderie, such a spirit of sacrifice. We also remember those who since that time have joined our armed forces and gone off to uphold the life and values we hold dear.

We are supremely grateful to the men and women who left behind the comfort and the life they knew, to serve their country. So many of them did not return. So many returned home much less whole. We honour them.

This is our special weapon. This is the spirit we call upon in the war we are all involved in today. We are to pull together. To look out for our neighbours. To break down the barriers. To encourage one another. To share what we have. To lay aside selfishness, complacency and consumerism. Perhaps this is why my friend said we needed a war. To force us to enlarge our vision in regard to caring for each other and our environment.

We have so much to be grateful for. We also have so much to lose. Those who we remember on ANZAC Day fought so hard and gave so much, to pass on to us the gift of a life of joy, abundance and freedom. The best way we can honour this gift is to make sure we pass it on to those who will come after us.

Each and every one of us has a part to play. There is something we have to do. Sacrifices we must make. Effort we must put in. Then we too will be victorious, as those before us were victorious. And there will be great stories to tell our grandchildren.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones. (Psalm 116:15)

Let us pledge ourselves to honour those who gave their futures for a better future for all.

Let us pledge ourselves to live according to their example.

Let us pledge ourselves to pass on a better life to those who will come after us.

Lest we forget.

Shalom, Wayne



Please keep in your prayers:

Anneliese, her father and their family, Tanya, Elspeth, Win, Susan, Judy, Bishop Jim, Terry & Helga, Mary Hitchcock, Tevita, Jonathan, Jocelyn, Sibyl and Jac.

Sympathy: We extend our prayers and sympathy to Marie Powers and family on the death of Marie's mother.

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: 03 May - 'The Good Shepherd'

Livestream Service: 9am

Readings: OT: Psalm 23

Gospel: John 10: 1-10

MISSION DISTRICT CONTACTS

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Pew News

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

26 April 2020 - Easter 3

God's Promise - Hope

NT: Hebrews 6: 13-20

Gospel: Luke 24: 44-48



Theme & Readings

'Livestream' Service 9am

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

We have waited eagerly for you O Lord; for you are our help and our shield; our hearts shall rejoice in you, because we have hoped in your holy name. (Psalm 33:19,20)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Almighty God, give us such a vision of your purpose and such an assurance of your love and power, that we may ever hold fast the hope which is in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Northern Wairoa Mission District, the Paparoa Mission District, the Mangawhai Mission District, Wellsford Mission District and TeTai Tokerau Wairoa Pastorate. In our Mission District we pray for Pastoral care, Wardens and Governing Body. In our community we pray for Renewal and Revival, that God's Spirit would move to heal and transform.

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