

Notices:

Sunday Service - "Livestream"

for Sunday 02 August 9am from St Paul's, Kaiwaka

All you need to do is click on this link:

<https://youtu.be/zgNvm3C1cVg>

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

Coffee Morning - Thursday 6th August - 10 am

This month's coffee morning will be held at 369 King Road, Mangawhai Heads, hosted by Jo and John Sarah. All welcome!



Soup and Senseless Questions!

Book your diaries and calendars now for "Soup and Senseless Questions", **Sunday 9 August at Christ the King starting at 3pm.** Come along for fun, food and fellowship. Some real whacky, weird and way out trivia questions – with prizes! Followed by tasty soup and good company. We are looking for two more volunteers to provide soup for this event—if you can help please add your name to the list on the noticeboard..

Happy Birthday! We extend our best birthday wishes to **Elva Reid** who celebrates her birthday on **Thursday 6th August.**



Fund Raising Opportunity

Would you like to be involved in helping in a Calf Rearing Scheme for our Mission District? Tovolea Farm Ltd (Christine and Bill Bygrave) and MilkyWhite Ltd (Paula Bygrave and Partner Stephen Whyte) are offering to rear 8 calves to be sold on behalf of the church. The calves will be owned by the church. The cost of the calves will be \$125 and rearing and grazing will be donated by Tovolea Farm.

If you would like to be involved, you may like to purchase a calf for \$125 paid to the Mission District, or share with someone else—\$62.50 each.

The idea is that the calves will be raised for approx. 18 months, and then sold, usually realizing a substantial profit for the Mission District. Queries please talk to Wayne or Bill.

Treasurer Required!

After many years of faithful and dedicated service, Bernard Chivers has given notice that he will be resigning as Treasurer from the 30th September.

Please give prayerful consideration to finding a new Treasurer. They do not need to be an accountant but some bookkeeping knowledge would be useful.

Contact Bernard or Wayne for further details

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

Making Connections

Part of Paul's genius was that he was able to speak with people in a language they understood. He was able to connect with people where they were; able to link his message with people's experience. Acts 17:16-32 records Paul's visit to Athens – a city with a proud history and tradition. He has walked around the city and seen the various altars and temples and idols – which would normally be an affront. But on this occasion he says: "I see you are very religious", and "I found an altar with this inscription: 'to an unknown God'". You worship this God, says Paul, yet you don't really know him. Please allow me to tell you about this God – and he does.

Sometimes we have been told that 'evangelism' – sharing the good news of love and life in Jesus Christ – is not so much telling people something, convincing them to accept something, holding out a different point of view. Rather it is to 'introduce them to the God they already know'. Helping them to recognise how God has been acting in their life, and in the world around them, and to see and acknowledge this for themselves. This is what Paul was doing in Athens. He tells his audience they have taken the first step: recognising there is a God who is supremely important. However they know nothing about this God. Paul points out this was the God they had been seeking in all their spiritual endeavours. The God who their earlier philosophers had glimpsed at times.

From *an unknown God*, Paul led them to *the unknown God*. He connects what he is saying with some of the Greek poets and philosophers who have gone before – he says: *God has done all this, so that we will look for him and reach out and find him. He isn't far from any of us, and he gives us the power to live, to move, and to be who we are. "We are his children," just as some of your poets have said.* (Acts 17:27-28)

Paul reinforces how this God he is telling them about is different; is in fact the real, the only, the one true God. This God is not someone or something that human beings have thought up and made. In fact this God is revealed in Jesus Christ. Paul concludes by saying he is not seeking to add a new god to the Athenian's collection, but to get them to repent and turn to the only true God. This is the God who forgives, commands, sets the day, judges the world and provides proof of the resurrection.

This is just as true today. Paul would encourage us to look for points of connection with the people and the culture that surrounds us, in order to reveal the one true God who is active in our midst.

Shalom, Wayne





Please keep in your prayers:

Jan, Kathy and Tony, Carol, Judith, Rosie, Elspeth, Susan, Mary Hitchcock, Tevita, Jonathan, Jocelyn, Sibyl and Jac.

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

What's on: 03 - 09 August

Tues.	04 Aug	Rhythm 'n' Riggle	Christ the King	10.00 am
Thurs.	06 Aug	C+ K Craft Group Coffee Morning	Christ the King 369 King Road Mangawhai	9.30-noon 10.00 am
Sun.	09 Aug	Communion Service Soup & Senseless Questions	Christ the King Christ the King	9.00 am 3.00 pm

Next week

Next Week 09 August

Theme: Lord's Prayer 1: Hallowed be Thy Name

Readings: OT: 1 Kings 8: 22, 30, 38-43
NT: Luke 11: 1-4

MISSION DISTRICT CONTACTS

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Christ the King, Mangawhai

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Theme & Readings

Make the Most of Your Time

OT: Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8
Gospel: Luke 9: 57-62

Morning Prayer

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

Your throne O Lord has stood firm from of old; from all eternity you are God. Mightier than the noise of great waters; mightier than the waves of the sea; so the Lord on high is mighty. (*Psalm 93:3,5*)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Eternal God, protector of all who put their trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; fill us with your mercy and your grace that with you to rule and guide we may so use the things of this present life that we do not neglect things of eternal worth. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Parish of St Paul, Symonds Street; the Parish of St Matthew in the City, Auckland; the Mission Venture of St Augustine; the Parish of Ponsonby; the Mission for Seafarers Auckland and the Disability Community; Auckland. In our Mission District we pray for our Treasurer and Finance Team, Property committee, Administrator and all involved in administration and roster organisation. In our community we pray for our local newspapers and media, for all involved in radio, communication and public relations.

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