

Notices:

Sunday Service - "Livestream"

for Sunday 19 July 9am from Christ the King, Mangawhai

All you need to do is click on this link: <https://youtu.be/wEixW4ewUnU> or copy and paste into your internet browser. You can do this before 9am, but it becomes "live" at 9am Sunday.

Advance Notice



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 volunteers to provide soup for this event—if you can help please contact Wayne—431-4122.

Happy Birthday! We extend our best birthday wishes to **Rev. Tony Stroobant** who celebrated his birthday on **Friday 17th July.**



Donations: If you would like to make a donation to support the ministry of our Mission District, you can do this by internet banking - our account is: ANZ 01-0137-0096373-00. Please put your name in the reference field and email us your address if you would like a receipt for tax refund purposes. If you would like to become a regular giver by envelope or internet banking, please phone the office or email us and we will arrange it.

From the Mangawhai Mission District AGM:

The following were appointed as members of the Governing Body:

Bill Bygrave
Fay Burnett
Bernard Chivers (Synod Rep)
Ann Dowson (Co-People's Warden)
Margaret Haverfield
Gwen Lawrence
Celia McCaw
Lindsay McCaw (Priest's Warden)
Jo Sarah (Synod Rep)
Daniel Twinn
Lynda Wintle (Co-People's Warden)

Thank you for all who volunteered for these positions and welcome to Celia and Daniel, new members!



Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

Our Response as Followers of Jesus

We are indeed living in strange times. Who would have thought that the leader of a major political party in Aotearoa New Zealand would last only 53 days?! Alongside all that we are still in the midst of a global pandemic. Our country seems to be doing okay at the moment, but as the situation across the Tasman highlights, things can change for the worse very quickly. Now we are on the road to an election. It could prove to be a crucial election in the life of our nation.

I have not ever been one to "preach politics from the pulpit"; to say who or what to vote for or not to vote for – and I am not about to start. However I do encourage everyone who is entitled to, to vote. This is a responsibility to be taken seriously. The ability and the right to vote is something that many fought for. It is our opportunity to be directly involved in the governing of our nation.

What I do say therefore is: vote. Consider carefully who to vote for, what they stand for, what they represent; and how does the person, policy, party, line up with gospel values? I am definitely **not** saying only vote for candidates who are or claim to be followers of Jesus; nor only vote for a so-called "Christian" political party. We are to exercise our judgement and careful consideration. As followers of Jesus we may end up after all this voting for different candidates. This is a good thing.

The main thing is to spend time discerning, and then vote accordingly. Even then as followers of Jesus our job is not done. We have a continuing calling to pray. Pray for the campaign leading up to the election. Pray for the elections. Pray for those elected. And continue praying.

Paul made our duties and responsibilities as Jesus' followers very clear:

The first thing I want you to do is pray. Pray every way you know how, for everyone you know. Pray especially for rulers and their governments to rule well so we can be quietly about our business of living simply, in humble contemplation. This is the way our Saviour God wants us to live. (1 Timothy 2:1-3, The Message)

It does not matter who is our government; nor who is our leader. It does not even matter how they are acting. We are simply to pray for them. Not that they act as we think they ought to. Just pray that God will bless them and give them wisdom; pray they might live a life that honours God.

I invite you to join me in praying. You may like to use the prayer below.

Shalom, Wayne

Prayer Leading up to the Election

God of integrity and truth,

we pray for wisdom as we prepare for the coming election.

We thank you for robust democracy and freedom to participate in public life.

We thank you for media scrutiny and open debate.

Please give integrity to party leaders, candidates and campaign workers, and keep them from deceit and corruption.

Protect all engaged in public life, and their families, that nothing may demean or do them harm.

Direct those who influence opinion through the media, that we may listen, speak and vote with sound minds.

Above all we pray for a Parliament committed to the priorities of your kingdom, so that peace, compassion, truth and justice may prevail among us; and we may be a blessing to all peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Please keep in your prayers:

Carol, Judith, Alan, Christine, Rosie, Ken, Elspeth, Susan, Judy, Bishop Jim, 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: 20 - 26 July

Tues.	21 July	Rhythm 'n' Riggle	Christ the King	10.00 am
Thurs.	23 July	C+ K Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30-noon
Sun.	26 July	Communion Service	Christ the King	9.00 am

Rhythm'n'Riggle

We will be moving and shaking and having fun together, starting again on Tuesday 21 July.



Next week

Next Week 26 July

Holy Communion Service at Christ the King, 9.00 am
Theme: Little Known People 3: Manoah
Readings: OT: Judges 13: 1-7
NT: Matthew 13: 44-46

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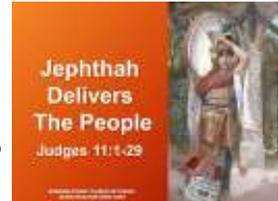


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19 July 2020
Little Known People 2

Jephthah

OT: Judges 11: 1-11
Gospel: Matthew 13: 34-35



Theme & Readings

Prayer Book P. 456

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

You, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness. *(Psalm 86:15)*

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

O God, you alone can order our unruly wills and affections: teach us to love what you command, and to desire what you promise, that, among the changes and chances of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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 New Zealand Navy, Devonport. In our Mission District we pray for Sunday children's ministry and Rhythm 'n' Riggle. In our community we pray for all schools, colleges and places of learning.

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