

Notices:

Sunday Service - "Livestream" for Sunday 09 August 9am from Christ the King, Mangawhai All you need to do is click on this link:

<https://youtu.be/WynHo3eXUhk>

or copy and paste into your internet browser. You can do this before 9am, but it becomes "live" at 9am Sunday, (and you can watch any time after).

Please note: next Sunday, 16 August, there will be no livestream service as Wayne will be on leave. We will be back live and in full colour on Sunday 23 August at 9 am.

Soup and Senseless Questions! Today! 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.

Happy Birthday! We extend our best birthday wishes to **Ellen Thomlinson** who celebrates her birthday on **Thursday 13th August.**



Leprosy Mission - Special Offering Sunday 23rd August

Gillian Whitley, Executive Director of The Leprosy Mission will be talking to us about the Mission during our service at Christ the King. We will be taking up a special offering during the service and donation envelopes are available on the entry table..

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.



Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

Prayer: Talking to God – Part 1

This week I am preaching the first sermon in a series on "The Lord's Prayer". For the next couple of weeks there will be a part of a story I wrote about "praying" in the series "A Real Bloke meets God". A few years ago, I felt I was being challenged to go beyond the theories and technical terms and high-sounding ideals of being a Christian. It was as if I was being told to 'get real with God' – get down to earth. Out of this, over time, I have written a series of stories. This is most definitely not straight theology or Biblical scholarship, though I'm pretty sure it's all in there. Rather these are stories about a 'real bloke' who has the experience of God bursting into his life in his living room. This bloke is not a regular church-goer, but he and the Lord have some interesting conversations and begin to develop quite a relationship ...

It was a chilly winter's night. Patti had gone for a 'girls' night out', my boys were asleep and I had drawn up two comfortable chairs close to the fire. I sat with a cup of coffee and waited.

I couldn't make him turn up – though he seemed to have a knack for being there when I needed him. Then again there were times when I definitely didn't want him around, but he turned up anyway. That's just the way it is with the Lord, I was learning.

I settled back in my comfortable armchair and looked across at the one he often sat in. I hoped he'd come tonight. There were a few things I wanted to ask him about – especially this 'prayer' business. Like was "prayer" just talking to God – kind of like what I'd been doing. Though I thought prayer maybe didn't involve watching a rugby game!

Or did prayer involve a special kind of language. One that I didn't know and would have to learn? And I wondered if there were particular places where you were supposed to pray – and other places where you shouldn't because it was, you know, wrong; disrespectful. I had the vague notion that prayer was something really important, but I really didn't have a clue!

"Any time, any place, any how," came a familiar voice.

I looked up from the fire and saw the Lord easing himself into the other armchair. He must have noticed my puzzled look.

He chuckled and said, "Prayer. Any time. Any place. Any how."

"But, but, how do I ..." I stopped myself. "Good evening Lord. Great to see you. I'm glad you dropped in because ..." I looked at my coffee mug. "Can I get you a cup of coffee?"

"No thanks. Do continue though. Sounded like you were just about to say something important."

"Ah. Yeah. How, I mean, how do you – well not you, I mean ... I mean me. How do I pray?"

"How: that's a good question," said the Lord. "Here's a good answer: you pray by talking to me."

"Talking to you?"

"That's right. Just like you are now!"

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: 10 - 16 August

Tues.	11 Aug	Rhythm 'n' Riggle Governing Body	Christ the King Christ the King	10.00 am 1.00 pm
Thurs.	13 Aug	C+ K Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30-noon
Sun.	16 Aug	Communion Service Family Worship	Christ the King St Paul's, Kaiwaka	9.00 am 9.00 am

Next week

Next Week 16 August

Theme: **A Woman's Faith**
Readings: OT: **Psalm 133**
NT: **Matthew 15: 21-28**

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Theme & Readings

Prayer Book P.404

Hallowed Be Thy Name

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

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

The Lord is near to all who call on him in truth. He fulfils the desire of all that fear him, hears their cry, and saves them. (*Psalm 145: 18-19*)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech you, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Parish of Mt Albert, Unitec NZ, the Parish of Mt Roskill, the Mission District of Balmoral, the Diocese of Polynesia Indian Congregation. 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.

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