

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

We hope you find God's presence in the service today. Please join us for refreshments after the service and share our hospitality and fellowship.

Sunday Service - "Livestream"

Sunday 08 November 9am, from Christ the King, Mangawhai

All you need to do is click on this link: <https://youtu.be/dGU-81NvTW8>

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

Happy Birthday!

We extend our best birthday wishes to **John McClean** celebrating his birthday on **Tuesday 10th November**.



Calendars for Sale!

Our fundraising calendars are now available for sale—\$15 per copy.

The calendar is high quality with photos of Mangawha/Kaiwaka/Kaipara taken by Rev. Derek Christensen, Tony Gorham and Grant Crowe. It would make an excellent Christmas gift for family and friends! Please see Jo Sarah at Christ the King and Fay Burnett at St Paul's, to purchase copies.

Lounge Users Event – November 22



It has been a very different and difficult year and in the midst of it all we have seen great caring and kindness and looking out for our neighbours. We would like to celebrate that and say thank you, encourage people and have a time of fellowship. Sunday 22 November is a significant day for us – kind of like our "birthday", and we are inviting our church lounge users to share the occasion with us. We will have a special service at 9am

followed by morning tea at 10am. As our regular "church family" can you please plan to come along and bring a plate of "goodies" to share.

Help for those affected by Suicide - Please see the information on the noticeboard about a new group which offers support for those bereaved by suicide.

New "Community Prayer"

O God our Refuge and our Redeemer, may Your love and compassion flow through us and to those around us. Please help us to love our neighbours as ourselves. Give us pity and concern for those experiencing misfortunes and suffering. Give us the compassion and empathy we need to understand what those in our community are going through. Help us to love them well. Help us to receive their love as well. May there be no grievances to block giving or receiving love. Help us not to judge or condemn, but rather come alongside others to offer support and to be Your hands and feet.

Lord, our Protector and Shield, defend us from anything that would crush hope in our community. May confident expectation that good things are on the horizon rise up in our hearts. May we, individually and collectively, look to You as our ultimate hope and our champion. Give us faith in place of despair, and resilience in place of resignation. Turn anguish and desperation into elation and assurance.

This we pray in the name of Jesus our Risen Saviour. Amen.

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

WHICH LANE?

I had to drive to Auckland during the week for a seminar. So I left early in the morning – just in case – traffic, accidents etc. It was actually a very pleasant drive until I hit the motorway. This highlighted very strongly why living where we do is so much nicer and much less stressful. There were two major areas where traffic just crawled along. However once I was across the Harbour Bridge the driving was actually pretty good. Exercising patience, being kind, letting others into the lane, and extending grace when another driver does something annoying is all part of being a "good driver". This is putting Christian principles into action, literally where the rubber meets the road. It is always good to have that in mind, especially in rush hour traffic.

However what really struck me was how important it is to be in the correct lane. I had to get to Parnell and the Bishop Selwyn Library in St Stephen's Avenue. So I needed to use the Highway 16 *East* lane. Right next to it is the Highway 16 *West* lane. The lanes run beside each other and seem to be going in the same direction; and initially it is easily possible to cross from one lane to the other. But then a barrier gets higher and higher and it is no longer possible to change lanes. If you are in the wrong lane, by the time you realise it, it is too late – and you will be taken in the opposite direction from your destination and potentially hopelessly lost.

This seemed to me a metaphor for life. Two paths can appear to be going in the right direction, but then one leads to life; the other goes somewhere else. It is important to watch for directions and read the signs and know where they point. There was only one four letter word difference in the signs I read: east v. west. One led to going to the seminar, the other led to being frustrated, lost and late.

That's what struck me: the two lanes were right next to each other; they looked exactly the same, but yet had very different ends. In life potential joys and disasters are much more important. Two paths, opportunities, strategies, may look as if they both lead to good places. But one does not. We need to pay careful attention to the signs. We need to know where we are going and how to get there.

On the motorway you don't have the luxury of being able to stop and ask directions. In life we are able to pause and check things out. We can pray. We can read our Bibles. We can observe fellow travellers and even talk to them and ask for assistance. Plus we have the ultimate giver of directions in Jesus. Remember to consult Jesus before you set off, and as you continue along, on the great journey of life.

Shalom, Wayne





Please keep in your prayers:

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

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: 09 - 15 November

Tues.	10 Nov.	Rhythm 'n' Riggle Governing Body	Christ the King Christ the King	10.00 am 1.00pm
Wed.	11 Nov.	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00am
Thurs.	12 Nov.	C+ K Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30-noon
Sun.	15 Nov	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Christ the King St Paul's, Kaiwaka	9.00 am 9.00am

Wednesday mornings at Christ the King

I am looking at offering Communion on Wednesdays again at 9am, beginning on **November 11th**. I am also keen to re-start our Bible study at 10 am. If you would be interested in either of these, please let me know. Wayne.

Next week

Next Week 15 November 2020

Theme: Life's Choices

Readings: OT: Joshua 24:14-18

Gospel: Matthew 16:24-26

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The Little Things in Life

OT: Psalm 78:1-7
Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-16



Theme & Readings

Prayer Book p.456

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

Let your light so shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. (*Matthew 5:16*)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Faithful God, you have appointed us your witnesses, to be a light that shines in the world: let us not hide the bright hope you have given us, but tell everyone your love, revealed in Jesus Christ the Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Local Shared Ministry Unit of Titirangi; the South Kaipara Anglican/Methodist Church—Local Shared Ministry Unit; St Chad Anglican/Methodist Church—Local Shared Ministry Unit. In our Mission District we pray for 'Social Gatherings', 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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