

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.
Please remember to scan in or add your details on the attendance sheet.

"Live-stream" Church Service:

Sunday 07 February 9am, from St Paul's Kaiwaka

All you need to do is click on this link: <https://youtu.be/cQpAjSp7TGc> 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.

Fundraising Results

From sales of Calendars: **\$3,469** (profit after printing costs deducted)

From Christmas Raffle: **\$965.00** Mangawhai Mini-Market: **\$1,184.00**

These are wonderful results and a good way to start the New Year!

We extend our grateful thanks to Jo & helpers for organising the calendar printing, the Christmas raffle, and to everyone who helped with the mini market. Well done!

Wednesday Morning Communion

Our Wednesday communions are back! 9am at Christ the King. All welcome.

Ash Wednesday Service – 17 February 9am

Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes. If you have your flax cross from last year, please bring it on the day. Mark this special date. More details to follow.



Bible Study – beginning Wednesday 24 February

For Lent we will be doing a series of 5 Bible studies based around the familiar hymn "There is a green hill far away". Copies of the studies will be available on the entry table at Christ the King, or on the website under the "Bible study" tab. February 24, March 3, 10, 17 and 24 at 10am in the church at Christ the King.

Community Prayer for February

Loving God, our Creator, our Saviour, our Companion, bless the journey of a new academic year.

We ask that you would refresh the souls and renew the spirits of all those who are attending preschool, day care, kindergarten, primary and secondary school and other places of senior education. Please bless the parents and caregivers as they support those seeking to learn and grow.

Make welcome those who are new to our community; strengthen them to share the wonderful gifts you have given. Lord, make our hearts pure as we embark on this new academic year, and may you guide us all to have open hearts and minds eager to learn.

We ask this in Your name. Amen.

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

Anyone for Coffee?

One of the treasures I brought back from my study leave travels is a simple wooden plaque. It was made for me by the husband of the family we stayed with in Cedarville, Ohio. It reads: "Life happens. Coffee helps".

I think these four words contain much wisdom. Life sure happens, in fact it can't be avoided. We can plan and prepare all we like, yet it may in the end turn out very differently. There always lurks the possibility of a minor, medium or major disaster. When the wheels of life wobble or come off, what do we do ...???

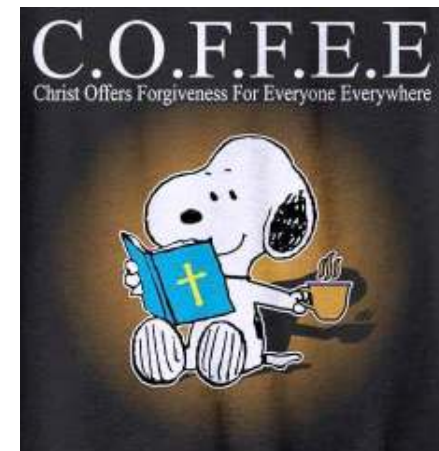
Coffee helps. Take a moment to stop, step aside and take stock. Sit down with a refreshing hot beverage to restore your equilibrium and your soul. Everything else may be going on all around, yet it is so important not to get caught up, carried away, run over. Coffee does help. It is a break. A time-out. And that "caffeine hit" sure doesn't go amiss. By the way, if you're not into coffee, it could be tea, milo, hot water, hot milk. Same kind of thing. (But personally I think coffee does it best). There is that image of something disastrous happening in a person's life and a kind, caring neighbour says, "come and sit down and have a nice hot cup of tea". And it helps.

The other thing I have found is coffee really helps in dealing with all that goes on in life. Looking forward and back; coping with life, the universe and everything. I really enjoy and appreciate meeting a friend for coffee at a cafe. There is something about the quality of the conversation and the depth of engagement. Sitting at a table drinking coffee generates a kind of "sacred space". Something happens in this setting that doesn't happen anywhere else. Something happens that makes life bearable, that highlights the blessings in any darkness, that brings out the warmth, humanity and humour that enables life to be good.

Now I have searched diligently but cannot find "coffee" mentioned directly in the Bible at all. Some commentators refer to Isaiah chapters 51 and 52 as pointing to the effects of coffee/caffeine and drinking such a thing – see Isaiah 51:9,17 and 52:1 – all tell people to "wake up!" And that it is by drinking something people are to be awakened. It is simply not God's will for God's people to be tired and groggy. So some have pointed to Hebrews 6:12 "... so that you may not be sluggish".

My take on it is that our God gives us the means to not only cope with the vagaries of life, but to shine. Having a cup of coffee helps us stop and be aware of God's presence, recognise the good, and carry on refreshed.

Shalom, Wayne





Please keep in your prayers:

Bevan Lawrence, Paul Brom, Trewby and Rosie, Ian, Jan W, Carol, Judith, Mary Hitchcock, Tevita, Jonathan and Jocelyn.

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: 08 - 14 February

Tues	09 Feb.	Rhythm 'n' Riggle Governing Body	Christ the King Christ the King	10.00 am 1.00 pm
Wed.	10 Feb.	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am
Thurs.	11 Feb.	C + K Craft Group	Christ the King	9.30am—12
Sun.	14 Feb	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am

Note: Rhythm 'n' Riggle is back!! Starting on Tuesday 9th Feb. at 10 am.

Next week

Next Week 14 February 2021

Theme: Epiphany 6: Introduction to Mark's Gospel

Readings: OT: Psalm 30
Gospel: Mark 1: 1-8

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Christ the King, Mangawhai

07 February 2021

**Epiphany 5
All the Same**

NT: Galatians 3: 21-29
Gospel: Mark 1: 29-39



Theme & Readings

Morning Prayer

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles. (*Isaiah 40:31*)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Almighty God, you have called us to serve you, yet without your grace we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Parish of St Thomas, Tamaki, the Parish of Panmure, the Parish of Meadowbank, St John's College and the John Kinder Theological Library. In our Mission District we pray for Overseas mission and stamps for mission, and the groups who use our facilities. In our community we pray for our local businesses and enterprises.

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