

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 14 March 9am, from Christ the King, Mangawhai

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

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 **Margot Christie-Linnell**, celebrating on **Thursday 18th March**



Bible Study – continuing Wednesdays during Lent

For Lent we are undertaking a series of Bible studies based around the familiar hymn "There is a green hill far away". Copies of the studies are available on the entry table at Christ the King, or on the website under the "Bible Studies" tab. March 17 and 24 at 10am in the church at Christ the King. This week: 'No Other Good Enough'.



Leprosy Mission Appeal - Following Gillian's talk on Leprosy Mission Sunday, if you would like to donate to the Leprosy Mission in NZ the bank account number is: 02 0264 0029108 005: please add your name and phone number in the reference field.

Wednesday Morning Communion

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

"Passion Narrative" Reading – March 21: This year we will be reading the account of Jesus' arrest, trial and crucifixion from Mark's Gospel. Wayne is looking for 3 readers to help with this. Please add your name to the list on the noticeboard.

Palm Sunday – March 28

Is anyone able to make "palm crosses" for this service?

Please let Wayne know. We would also like to decorate the church with palms on Palm Sunday. If you have suitable palms in your garden (not phoenix palms) please discuss with Wayne.



Ecumenical Service for Lent – from Bishop Ross

Many places in the Diocese were not able to worship on Ash Wednesday and so the opportunity to gather ecumenically with Catholic congregations was mostly lost to us. This Sunday evening, 14th March, at 7.30pm, the people of our two cathedrals will gather in Holy Trinity Cathedral to mark together the Lenten pilgrimage we are all on. The service will be livestreamed and can be watched on this link <https://youtu.be/E4YNzr0OFI0>

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

Refreshment

This Sunday is the fourth Sunday in Lent. We are over half way through this particular journey. So it would seem reasonable to pause and have a break and "get our breath back". Indeed there is a tradition that this Sunday is called "Refreshment Sunday" - a day when we are allowed, and indeed encouraged, to step aside from the rigours and disciplines of Lent and have a kind of "time-out".

Looking back over the past year, not just the past 22 days, overall things have been pretty tough. Many people are wearied, tired, worried, wondering, in this Covid-stricken world. So much has changed. So much is changing. There is so much to try to cope with that it can be almost overwhelming. We need a break. We need some respite. There is a desperate need for refreshment. Now the world is not going to suddenly become like it used to be – it is what it is. But this "refreshment" thing, just maybe we could help with that.

I encourage you to check out your neighbours ... Is there something you could do to give refreshment, give a boost, bring some sunshine amid the grind of life? You could bake a cake or a batch of biscuits. Offer to look after the children so their parents can have some time together. Weed the garden. Wash the car. Invite the surrounding neighbours to your place for a barbecue, so you can have fun and swap stories.

Jeremiah passes on the word of the Lord: "I will refresh the weary and satisfy the faint" (31:25). Isaiah tells us that the Lord promises to "pour water on the thirsty land and streams on the dry ground" (44:3). You can be the water and sustenance for those who are weary and running low on both energy and hope.

And while we're on the subject, what are you doing for your refreshment? May I encourage you to have a "time-out" for yourself. Perhaps a walk along the beach, picnic at the river, read a book on the deck, meet a friend for coffee ... All of this is vital for helping not just to get through Lent, but life. This way we can all have something in life to savour and enjoy.

Proverbs 11:25 puts it like this:

*A generous person will prosper;
whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.*

May you be a channel for giving and receiving refreshment.

Shalom, Wayne



"My parents are giving up desserts for Lent. So I'm balancing the family diet by giving up vegetables."



Please keep in your prayers:

Ian, Bevan Lawrence, Paul Brom, Rosie, 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: 15 - 21 March

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| Tues | 16 Mar. | Rhythm 'n' Riggle | Christ the King | 10.00 am |
| Wed. | 17 Mar. | Holy Communion Bible Study | Christ the King Christ the King | 9.00 am 10.00 am |
| Thurs. | 18 Mar. | C + K Craft Group | Christ the King | 9.30am—12 |
| Sun. | 21 Mar | Holy Communion | Christ the King | 9.00 am |

Next week

Next Week 21 March 2021

Theme: Lent 5: 'Passion Sunday'

A dramatic reading of the Passion Narrative from Mark's Gospel, chapters 14 and 15

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Christ the King, Mangawhai

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Lent 4

Mark and Healing

OT: Psalm 13
Gospel: Mark 10: 46-52



Theme & Readings

Prayer Book P.456

Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

The redeemed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads. *(Isaiah 51:11)*

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

O God, you give light to the blind and comfort to the sorrowing, and in your Son you have given us a High Priest who has offered the true sacrifice for us, and yet can sympathise with us in our weakness: hear the cry of your people and lead us home to our true country, where with the Son and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God in glory everlasting. Amen.

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocese, we pray for the Parish of Manurewa, Friendship House, Manukau City; the Parish of Clendon, the Parish of Papakura, Papakura Military Camp, Te Tai Tokerau: South Auckland Maori Mission and the Manukau Institute of Technology. In our Mission District we pray for Worship leaders, Liturgists, and Musicians at Sunday services, Bible readers and intercessors, sound and technology operators. In our community we pray for all churches, their ministers and elders, and their people.

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