

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 02 May 9am, from St Paul's, Kaiwaka

All you need to do is click on this link: <https://youtu.be/HqQ9oQYbQEk> 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 **Ian McKenzie** celebrating his birthday on **Monday 3rd May**.



Coffee Morning

Our coffee morning this month will be on **Thursday 6th May**, 10 am at 196 Thelma Road North, hosted by Celia and Lindsay McCaw. All welcome!

Rhythm 'n' Riggle - will be starting again for Term 2 on **Tuesday 4th May, 10 am** at Christ the King.

From the Annual General Meeting: Thank you to all who attended, to St Paul's for hosting, and to all who provided the delicious lunch we enjoyed afterwards. We officially welcomed Martin Arrowsmith as our new Treasurer, and the following were elected to Governing Body:

Jo Sarah: People's Warden; Martin Arrowsmith, Fay Burnett, Bill Bygrave, Ann Dawson, Margaret Haverfield, Gwen Lawrence, Celia McCaw, Daniel Twinn and Lynda Wintle. Lindsay McCaw has agreed to stay on as Priest's Warden, and our Synod representatives are Bernard Chivers and Jo Sarah.

We thank them for their willingness to serve in this way. Please keep them in your prayers.

Farewell Service for Rev. Wayne Thornton

Wayne's final service for Mangawhai Mission District will be on **Sunday 13th June**, at Christ the King Church, **9.30 am** (the later time will allow people from other Mission Districts to attend if they wish). We will have a brunch and time of thanks and sharing following the service. Wayne's induction service will be at St Luke's, Manurewa, **7 pm on Wednesday 23rd June** and members of the Mangawhai Mission District are warmly invited to attend.

Bible Study – “Firm Foundations”

PLEASE NOTE: Postponed this week, meeting again **12 May**. (Looking at what happened next, after Jesus' resurrection – the beginning and growth of “the Church”.) Copies of the studies are available on the entry table at Christ the King, or on the website under the “Bible study” tab. 10am in the church at Christ the King.

Wayne's Word

A weekly column by our Priest in Charge

When I Needed a Neighbour ...

This time last year we were still in total lockdown, confined to home with options and activities severely limited. We were constantly encouraged to be kind and look out for our neighbours. I believe this is what helped us survive and finally exit that dark time.

When you look around our country now you could be excused for thinking that everything is okay. But though much is good, not everything is in fact okay. There are “neighbours” who are suffering.

Jesus told a parable in response to the question “Who is my neighbour?” (*The Good Samaritan*, Luke 10:25-37) One thing that can be taken from this is that a “neighbour” is anyone who is in need of assistance. Specifically our assistance. In Matthew's Gospel (25:31-46) Jesus told another kind of parable which said that when we help someone in need, we are actually helping Jesus. Even with all that is good in our country, there are many who require assistance, who are in need. These are our neighbours.

There are people who have funds but are unable to buy or build a house. People who are able to pay that cannot get a place to rent. Then there are so many who cannot afford accommodation, or are in substandard or overcrowded conditions. Or living in temporary and unsuitable accommodation like motels. And yes it is hard to believe, but people are going hungry in our nation. We face huge problems to do with housing, food and employment. There are no simple 'magic wand' answers. However these people are our neighbours and we have to do something.

As followers of Jesus, here is part of the “something”. First off we are to pray. Pray for those in need, that they know they are cared about and not on their own. Pray that they know the comfort, strength and peace God can give. Pray for a spirit of generosity and grace and care for all involved in these situations. Pray for wisdom, and motivation, and release of resources, among those who are in positions to make the changes and take the actions that make the difference.

Pray that as a nation we will continue to be kind and care, and look after our neighbours. Pray that we will be patient and not grow weary of doing good.

For us as individuals it means being aware of our neighbours, the people around us. Are there some who have needs we can help meet? Yes, please continue to contribute generously to the foodbank. Yes, please do keep your eyes and ears open. Yes, please carry on sharing the blessings you have.

Please know that as we pray and share it makes a huge difference – for us and for our neighbours.

Shalom, Wayne



“So far, so good — I've got our budget all balanced except for food, clothing, and shelter!”



Please keep in your prayers:

Margaret-Anne, Brendon Kidd, Bev Jaques, Ian, 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: 03 May—09 May

Tues	04 May	Rhythm 'n' Riggle	Christ the King	10.00am
Wed.	05 May	Holy Communion Bible Study	Christ the King Postponed this week	9.00 am
Thurs.	06 May	C + K Craft Group Coffee Group	Christ the King 196 Thelma Road North	9.30am-Noon 10.00 am
Sun.	09 May	Holy Communion	Christ the King	9.00 am

Next week

Next Week 09 May 2021

Theme: A Special Psalm
1st Reading: Psalm 23
Gospel: John 14 : 25-29

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Theme & Readings

Morning Prayer

Pew News

Christ the King, Mangawhai

2 May 2021

A Scary Story

1st Reading: Acts 5 : 1-11
Gospel: John 15 : 1-8



Scripture for the Week (Sentence)

In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us.

Beloved since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.
(1 John 4:10-11)

Prayer for the Week (Collect)

Gracious God, you call us your own and love us beyond measure;

in the rising of your Son we are made a resurrection people, free us from the old ways, make us faithful disciples, so that we can share with others what you have freely given to us, Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who is alive 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 Parish of St. Paul Symonds Street, Parish of St. Matthew in the City, Mission Venture of St. Augustine, Parish of

Ponsonby, Mission to Seafarers, Auckland, Disability Community, Te Tai Tokerau Auckland, Anglican Maori Mission, University of Auckland and Auckland University of Technology. 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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