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.



Happy Birthday!

We extend our best birthday wishes to **Ellen Thomlinson** who celebrated her birthday **on Friday 13th August.**

Harvey and Christine at home. Today.

Harvey and Christine invite all parishioners from Christ the King, St Paul's and St Michael's Churches to visit them in their home which is the Vicarage funded by All Saints Wellsford. The address is 8 Matuku Place, Mangawhai.

You are welcome to come from 4pm onwards and to stay for as long as you wish. A rough timetable might be:

4pm Christine at home with coffee and cakes

5pm Harvey arrives home from St Alban's, Whakapirau.

6pm Pre dinner drinks and nibbles 6.30pm A meal with soup and bread

7.30pm Coffee and cake

We have been asked if people can bring drinks and food. Yes, of course and please do, but more importantly we want people to come and enjoy the vicarage in our midst here in Mangawhai

Church Life Magazine: September Issue. This issue will highlight 'Spring' If you have any items relating to the theme - poems, photos, thoughts, testimonies, etc, these would be very welcome. Please forward to the office by Friday 27th Aug.



Thursday Morning Craft Group

The craft group ladies are planning to restart their morning group at Christ the King Church on **Thursday 26th August.** 9.30 am—12 noon. Gold coin donation. This is a chance to bring along your craft projects - knitting, sewing, patchwork, etc. and share good company over a cuppa. If you're interested please contact:

Marilyn 09 945 0546, Celia 09 601 6169 or Lyn 09 423 7597

Christian World Service Emergency Appeal: Urgent Help Needed in Fiji

Fiji is experiencing a surge in Covid-19 infections and widespread food shortages. Many people are at risk of infection and possible death. CWS's partner SEEP has asked for urgent help to assist families who are not getting enough food and medical support. Where possible food will be sourced from rural communities that have no market for their produce. If you would like to donate, a direct deposit can be made to Christian World Service, ANZ Account number: 06 0817 0318646 00. Email your postal details to: cws@cws.org.nz if you would like a tax receipt. Ph. 0800 74 73 72 during office hours for credit or debit card donations over the phone.

Christine's Word

Christine's thoughts on visiting the home of Mary

It was a very hot day in 2010 when our large tour party clattered off our bus in Selcuk, almost within sight of Ephesus, to visit what may have been the final home of Our Lady, Mary the mother of Jesus. Today is her day of celebration in the Church, and Harvey has asked me to write about that experience.

Our loud chatter, some of it 'yeah, nah, really?' as in 'How can we really know for sure?' was quelled by the atmosphere. We walked from the searing heat through a dense green shady forest to join others waiting quietly for their turn to enter the stone house. We all wore modest dress, women with covered heads, arms and legs, and men too in long sleeves and long trousers, and there was a scattering of hijabs among the women. As we moved closer, you could feel the collective excitement as our turn approached.

Inside the thick stone walls the house was bare, cool and simple with no furniture, just space. We moved through silently and reverently, some touching walls, some praying with rosaries, some quickly kneeling before moving on.

Outside, the other end was a riot of colour. The fence was fully loaded with small flags of cloth on which prayer intentions were written. It is a Catholic shrine but I found myself with a group of Muslim women writing intentions together. It was a calm, peaceful and meaningful place of pilgrimage.

When we climbed back on the bus we were a different group, more subdued but uplifted by the experience. None of us cared about the authenticity any

more. We felt honoured to have visited this holy place of pilgrimage Christians and Muslims, together.

Christine



for

Please keep in your prayers:

Eddie, Maralynne, Trewby and Rosie, Ian, Amanda, Terry, Brendon Kidd, Paul Brom, Jan W, Carol, Judith, 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, and having made sure the people would like to be on our list, please phone 431 4122, or email mangawhaichristking@xtra.co.nz

What's on: 16 - 22 August

Tues 17 Aug. Rhythm 'n' Riggle Christ the King 10.00 am

Wed. 18 Aug. No Wednesday Communion or Bible Study this week

Sun. 22 Aug. Holy Communion Christ the King 9.00 am

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Next Week 22 August 2021

First Reading: Ephesians 6: 10-20 Gospel: John 6: 58-69

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Pew News

Christ the King, Mangawhai 15 August 2021 The Feast for Mary, The Mother of Our Lord



Mary was a devout Jewess who humbly accepted the call of God to be the mother of the Lord Jesus. She performed for the baby Jesus all that the Law required. She and the rest of Jesus' family were not intimately involved in Jesus' public ministry, but Mary was at the crucifixion, where Jesus gave her into the care of the beloved disciple. She and Jesus' brothers became believers and part of the early church. The church has always honoured Mary for her part in the story of salvation.

Prayer Book: P. 456 Power Point

Readings: First Reading: Galatians 4: 4-7 Gospel: Luke 1: 46-55

Sentence: And the Angel Gabriel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. *Luke 1: 28a*

Collect: Dear God, who chose the holy Virgin Mary to be the mother of your only Son; let us, who have been redeemed by his blood, share with him the glory of your everlasting kingdom; in the person of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Our Prayers for Others: We continue to pray for Bishop Ross, Archdeacon Jonathan and the leaders of all our congregations. Within the Diocese our prayers are asked for the churches in Manurewa (Wayne and Kim), Wiri, Clendon, Papakura and Karaka. Our partners in Mission in Te Tai Tokerau ask our prayers for their churches in Mangere Bridge, Te Karaiti Pou Herenga Waka in Mangere, Drury, Otara, Manurewa, Papakura and Mataitai. Many churches are named after our Lady especially St Mary's in the grounds of the Cathedral and St Mary's, New Plymouth. In our various Mission Districts let us keep praying for guidance and wisdom as we come to discern our future patterns of ministry in this part of God's Kingdom.

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