

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

We welcome this morning Rev. Dr Tony Stroobant who will be preaching and offering Comunion this morning We hope you find God's presence in the service today.

Please join us for a shared lunch at Hakaru Hall following the service.

Orange Light regulations: We recommend you continue to wear your face masks for everyone's safety.

Happy birthday!

We extend our best birthday wishes to **Allan King**, celebrating on **Wednesday 1st June**, and also to **Vivienne Linnell**, celebrating on **Friday 3rd June**.



Rhythm 'n' Riggle: is back on **Tuesdays at the new time of 9 am at Christ the King Church.**

Church Life Magazine

The next issue of the Church Life magazine will be distributed early in June. Please forward reports, photographs and items to the office by **Monday 30 May**.

New MMD Telephone Directory: We will print the new directory next month. Please check a draft copy in the foyer, and add any changes required.



Pentecost - Sunday 5th - the "flaming festival" - would you like to wear something red? *Rev. Peter Minson*

Fundraising Stall for Save the Children - Ukraine

Margaret-ane is holding a stall at the Mangawhai School Market, **next Saturday 4th June from 8am**, fundraising for Save the Children, Ukraine. Your donations would be most welcome - baking, plants, produce or any saleable item in good condition. Please deliver your donations to the stall.

Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy

ICHC offers spiritual care to all within Aotearoa New Zealand's Healthcare environment.

For many, being a hospital Chaplain is a calling, and they approach it with reverence, insight, and a high standard of professionalism. They need your support to continue this important work in the hospitals, whether it be through prayer, giving regularly, a one-off donation or as a volunteer.

Donations can be made by clicking the Giv2QR code (on the noticeboard) or by bank deposit: Account Name: Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy or ICHC Account Number: 06-0561-0086166-21

Find out more on their website: www.ichc.org.nz



A Word from Colin Gordon Inter Church Hospital Chaplaincy (ICHC) Regional Manager Northern. We have 22 Chaplains, a number of locums and Voluntary Chaplain Assistants serving our four DHBs across the Northern region here is a recent commentary from Colin.

In the last few months, several of our Chaplains have contracted COVID and are now isolating. I need to emphasise that the virus was not caught while at the hospital. The Chaplaincy teams in all the Hospitals have taken every precaution to avoid COVID and being super spreaders. "The best-laid plans of mice and men women anyone ...". Our Chaplains are designated by the MOH as essential workers and therefore are on the front line of the patient and staff care. For this, we are very grateful and appreciative of their courage. This courage is not just of Chaplains but all people who continue to serve people in all capacities.

Courage in being on the frontline, the vulnerable place, is not new in Christian ministry. In his book *God and the Pandemic*, Tom Wright reminds us of the courage and conviction of those early Jesus Followers. In the period, *After Jesus and before Christianity*, the first few centuries of our era, when severe sickness (the plagues of 170 & 250AD) would strike a town or city, the well-to-do would run for the hills (part of the problem was often low-lying, foetid air in a town). People of faith would stay and nurse the stricken population. Sometimes they caught the disease and died. Others were astonished. What was this about? Oh, they replied, we are followers of this man Jesus. He put his life on the line to save us. So that is what we do as well.

Nobody had ever thought of doing that kind of thing before. No wonder the Gospel spread. Even when the Romans were doing their best to stamp out this early movement. The fascinating thing is that much of the world has picked up the hint. As the historian Tom Holland has argued in his recent book *Dominion*, much of what we take for granted in social attitudes now was a Christian innovation. The ancient pagans didn't do it like that. Medicine costs money. So did education. And the poor were poor (so people assumed) because they were lazy or unlucky. It wasn't society's job to look after them.

The early followers of Jesus disagreed. They had picked up their rule of life from the teachings of Jesus via early disciples, which was, of course, an innovation of Jewish belief. The Jewish faith was that there was One God who had a particular concern for the poor, the sick, the outcast, the enslaved. Once the early Jesus-followers got hold of that, it was a contagion of the best kind. There was no stopping the rapid growth of Jesus' followers and the deeds of compassion.

I took up the Northern Regional Manager's Role on 1 November 2022. My first task was to get around all the Chaplains in all the Hospitals. This was restricted to ZOOM before COVID restrictions allowed in-person meetings. My first impressions of these Chaplains at work were, and they continue to be very positive. I am excited that the ICHC Chaplaincy team is so diverse. Diverse in ethnicity, Christian expression, Gender, Chaplaincy experience, Life experience and Family of Origins. Chaplaincy gives me a great reason to rejoice with the rich and nuanced approach to pastorally caring for patients and staff with a deep sense of commitment and compassion. There is a long and rich expression of Jesus' followers impacting the world. May it continue to be so in a fast and ever-changing world.

Kia manaakitanga koutou
Colin



Please keep in your prayers:

Isa and Derek, Helga & Terry, Trewby & Rosie, Anne Connolly-Munt, Pam Murphy, Gus Holgate-Simpson, Lynne & Eddie, Jocelyn, Amanda, Brendon Kidd, Paul Brom, Jan W, Carol, Judith and Jonathan.

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: 30 May - 05 June

Tues. 31 May	Rhythm 'n' Riggle	Christ the King	10.00 am
Sun. 05 June	Holy Communion Holy Communion	Christ the King St Paul's, Kaiwaka	9.00 am 9.00 am

Next week

Readings
Next Week 05 June 2022
NT Reading: Acts 2: 1-21
Gospel Reading: John 14: 8-17

MISSION DISTRICT CONTACTS

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Pew News

**St Michael's & All Angels, Hakaru
29 May 2022**

**THEME & READINGS: 7th Sunday of Easter
Ascension**

NT: Acts 1: 1-11
Gospel: Luke 24: 44-53



SCRIPTURE SENTENCE:

See, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high (*Luke 24: 49*)

COLLECT :

Eternal God, Between Ascension and the Spirit; between your going and your coming; we await your purpose. Grant us expectant hearts, and grant us a vision of your reign. Through Jesus Christ our liberator, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER CYCLE:

In our Diocese, we pray for the Auckland City Mission, the Selwyn Foundation, the Anglican Trust for Women and Children and the Hospital Chaplaincy. In our Mission District we pray for our children and especially our Rhythm'n'Riggle families. In our community we pray for teachers, students and parents.

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