

Opportunities for Prayer @ St George's

Prayer Chain: A small number of St George's members have pledged to pray regularly for those that seek support. Requests for prayer are strictly confidential & can be made to David & Lynette Wood. Email: dandlwood@gmail.com or Ph: 021 208 3561

Pre-Service Prayer: Held before the 9am and 10.45am services in the Pastoral Care / Prayer Room. You are welcome to join us. Access is through the back entrance of the main church building, first door on the left.

Saturday Morning Prayers: A group of people get together to pray for all areas of church life. 8am-9am in the Pastoral Care Room — Enquiries: Malcolm Taylor — 027 499 7749



One Can - Two Can 2019 Appeal

The 2019 Auckland City Mission "One Can - Two Can" appeal will run from **Monday, 17th June to Friday, 28th June.**

Get your cans together for the June collection, thank you!!!



Contact List Book 2019 Up-Date

It's that time of the year again! Please see the list at the back of the church, check your details are up-to-date, amend where necessary, so we can get our 2019 book ready for June printing.

Our thanks for your help and assistance with this!



St. George's KidsChurch invites you to a Fluro Family Disco

Friday, 7th June, 5pm -7pm in the St. George's hall
\$5/child or \$10/family

Includes pizza, ice block, glow sticks and loads of fun!

Tickets for sale after the 10.45am service at church on Sunday, at Mainly Music on Friday or during the week at the church office.
Come along dressed up in fluro, black or white!

Women's Day Out 2019

Saturday, 10th August 2019 @ Vaughan Park, Long Bay

HER STORY: Past, Present, Future

Shona Pink-Martin,

Assistant Priest at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, will base her input on "*Her Story Past and Present*"

Jeannie Martin Blaker, from St. George's, will lead us in reflections in the afternoon session.

On HER STORY: Future as we have opportunity to consider God's continuing call on our lives individually and as a church community.

A bus will leave St. George's at 8.30am and return, leaving Vaughan Park at 3pm arriving back to St. George's for 3.30pm.

Cost: \$50 per person.

Payment: Online into the church account 03 0104 0109844 00, ref: WDO and your "last name", eftpos or cash to the church office.

Please email the church office at office@stgeorgesepsom.org.nz with any food requirements; G/F, vegetarian etc., if you will be taking the bus and when your payment was made, so it can all be recorded.

Thank you.



Te aroha, te whakapono, me te rangimarie tatou,
tatou e

Love, faith and peace to all!

Ma Io koutou e manaaki, e tiaki i nga wa katoa



"Empowering people to be Christ's followers in the world."

SUNDAY SERVICES: 26 May 2019

7.45 am - 9.00 am - 10.45 am

THEME: "*Christ's Expansive Hope*"

SPEAKER: Rev. Gareth Walters

READINGS: Psalm 42:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:7-18; John 21:1-14

VERSE OF THE DAY: 1 Peter 1:3 "*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.*"

Sunday - 7pm Service, held in the Church Hall

This week we welcome one of our own, Jackie Zimanye who will be sharing her story from Zimbabwe to St. George's.

We will begin with tea and coffee at 7pm and look forward to beginning our service at 7.15pm.

Everyone is welcome!

WEDNESDAY SERVICE 29 May

10am Speaker: Rev. Duncan Macdonald

SUNDAY SERVICES, 2 June

7.45 am - 9.00 am - 10.45 am

Speaker: Jeannie Blaker - "*Christ's Expansive Grace*"

VISITORS ... It's great to have you worshipping with us today.
Do pick up a 'Welcome Pack' on the table at the back of church.
We hope you feel at home here and we look forward to getting to know you.

REFLECTIONS FROM THE CO-VICARS

"Live a life worthy of the calling you have received, being completely humble, gentle and patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, called to one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God, who is over all and through all and in all." (Ephesians 4:1-6)

The past seven days has been another reminder of just how privileged we as Co-Vicars are, to be part of this St. George's community, in Christ. Over eighty people attended the Third Space 'Creation Matters' event in the church hall and then two days later we had over fifty people come to see Niamh O'Neill, at the 7pm service - again in the church hall. We are continually grateful to just how readily this community responds and supports these events.

'Creation Matters' was a stimulating, thought-provoking evening, centered on the call for hope in action and the urgent need to live more responsibly as guardians of this beautiful gift of God's Creation. Thank you to our three speakers, Nicola Hoggard-Creegan, Alex Johnston and Lusie Feagaiga for giving three different perspectives of the challenge. Thanks to all who came to make the night so good.

Niamh O'Neill treated us to a beautiful night of personal stories and song that celebrated our frayed-edge humanity. Niamh possesses the rare gift of being able to weave her lyrical poetic-style, with her Celtic tones and understated music. What was particularly poignant was her own story of how the disease of alcoholism had affected her family, and how she had found redemptive hope through it all. It was a deeply moving night. A waiata of grateful thanks from all present, was offered with sincere appreciation.

For us, what both these events did, was to affirm just how central our core value of 'Diversity as a Gift' is for a spiritually-healthy community. Learning to walk in our differences is far from easy but we are very encouraged by the way the people of St George's (across all the congregations) are living out the words of St. Paul. There's a beautiful spirit of gentle humility, bearing with one another in love. All of us carry our hurts and wounds - all of us walk with a limp of some kind - but there's a genuine desire to encourage and support each other and learn from our differences, as we journey together 'as one body, one Spirit and one hope in Christ.'

Peace and grace,

Co-Vicars, Gareth and Josh

Verger's Role

Many of you will be aware that we are in the process of restructuring the Verger's role here at St. George's. Chris Chung and Syd Walker have served faithfully over many years in this role, however, with the increased physicality of the position we have had to reimagine the shape of this going forward. We will be honouring both Chris and Syd in the weeks to come.

We are now in the process of inviting anyone who would like to apply for this role, as a first step, to make contact, via email, with Lisa in the office at lisad@stgeorgespsom.org.nz.

If you know of anyone who is fit, able and flexible to be part of our team in this part-time (15 hours per week), permanent position, please refer them to Lisa.

GIVING

- EFTPOS Terminal is available at the back of the church.
- INTERNET BANKING: Westpac Bank account # 03-0104-0109844-01

Some questions:

When have you seen a difficult story being shared and this having a positive impact?

When was a time you had to share a difficult story and what were people's reactions?

When was a time you have been able to positively impact others or connect with others because of a hard time you have been through?



Notices:

Tuesday, 28th May - We are off to Young Anglicans Social Justice meet up.
Friday, 31st May - Problem Solvers! **Sunday, 2nd June** - Esther shares a wound.

Sign up for our weekly Mailchimp: <http://eepurl.com/cB7G7j>
Wilson and the Youth Group team.



Hi families,

This week we are lucky enough to have **Miriam Tillman** from **Hope Hospital** come and share with us, which fits in so amazingly with our theme of **"Growing My Heart for God"** in the world. We are looking forward to hearing from Miriam about what it means for her to live God in a different place and then we will talk about how we can grow our hearts to be more like God in the world wherever we are.

We look forward to seeing you!

Lynette, Hayley and the KidsChurch Team.



Mike and Bex Sanders and family - Nepal write *"The middle of March saw the beginning of the Newborn Hearing Screening Pilot study in conjunction with Western Regional Hospital and up to this date over 60 high risk babies have been screened. We are still fine-tuning some processes but so far things are going well. We should begin diagnosing hearing losses this month.*

Our visa has been renewed; we give thanks for all your prayers!!!

Please pray for Health and Safety, that whatever happens with the Audiology Team that we can keep the current level of service going well, and for energy to train new staff if needed and sanity in this heat!"

See their full newsletter on the Mission Noticeboard.



Fund Raising Lunch

Come along and taste authentic Sri Lankan food. The funds raised will be donated for the well-being of the children who lost their parents in the recent suicide bombings in Sri Lanka.

Sunday, 9th June, 12.30pm - 2.30pm in the St. George's hall

Price: Adults 16 and above \$15, Children \$10 and under 5's free.

Pre-pay online into the St George's account: **03 0104 0109844 00**, ref: **"SLFund"** and your **"Last Name"**
RSVP by Friday, 31st May to sudeepafernando62@gmail.com. Confirm number of meals, date and amount paid. See the notice board for the menu being cooked in the church hall on the day.

Thank you for your support!



Dress A Girl Around The World

Annual event held in the St. George's youth rooms.

Saturday, July 20th from 10am - 3pm

Last year 30 dresses were made for young girls in Thailand, Bangladesh and Philipians. Come along and make a difference to a little girls life!

See our notice board for more details on this charity and event.



NZCMS Fellowship Meeting (Auckland)

Date: Tuesday 28 May 2018; **Time:** 10am; **Venue:** Selwyn Village, "Music Room", Pt Chevalier
Speaker: Howard Karaka - NZCMS evangelist, Te Takiwa O Manukau; **Contact:** Lea Tovey on 09-528 7773
All welcome!