

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



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 Philippians. Come along and make a difference to a little girls life!

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



Working Bee this Week!

The team will meet this coming **Wednesday, 5th June** between 9am & 12 noon!!



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!



ESOL Classes are proving so popular on Tuesday mornings that we now have an average of 90 students coming along each week. **We're bursting at the seams!**

Please, if you have a couple of hours free at this time each week, an interest in helping migrants, a good command of English and a willingness to help, we'd love to hear from you. We desperately need more relief teachers, and/or help with morning tea.

Please contact Rose on 021 170 7070 or rosecooper2000@gmail.com

Thank you!

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!



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

The Lord bless you and keep you.



THE
EXPANSIVE
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“Empowering people to be Christ's followers in the world.”

SUNDAY SERVICES: 2 June 2019

7.45 am - 9.00 am - 10.45 am

THEME: “Christ's Expansive Grace”

SPEAKER: Jeannie Blaker

READINGS: John 4: 7-21; 2 Corinthians 12:9; Luke 24: 13-35

VERSE OF THE DAY: **John 13:34-35** “I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Sunday - 7pm Service, held in the Church Hall

This coming weekend, we are exploring the theme, “Prayer Stories”. Gareth Walters and Paul Johnston will be facilitating a service that reflects on our experience of prayer and offering insights into how we can develop this vital area of our lives.

We begin at 7pm with tea and coffee and begin our service promptly at 7.15pm.

Everyone is welcome!

WEDNESDAY SERVICE 5 June

10am Speaker: Judy Carey

PENTECOST - SUNDAY SERVICES, 9 June

7.45 am - 9.00 am - 10.45 am

Speaker: Rev. Gareth Walters - “Christ's Expansive Transformation”

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

This week, we celebrate the Queen's Birthday, by welcoming **Jeannie Blaker** to our morning services. Jeannie, and her husband, David have been loyal members of St. George's (mainly the 9am service) since 1999. Jeannie is a spiritual director and a supervisor with Spiritual Growth Ministries and sits on the National Association of Spiritual Directors (ACSD). Today we are delighted to have Jeannie share as part of our sermon series, as she speaks about **'The Expansive Grace'** of Christ. This series is helping us to chart more fully the horizons of where Christ's Resurrection seeks to transform.

Next week, **Sunday, 9th of June**, we are really keen to support - as a whole church - the wonderful **Sri-Lankan Fund-Raising Lunch**. This is an opportunity for us as a whole church to gather together in the hall, after the 10.45am service (12.30pm) to bless those families who were affected by the terrorist attack. Chandrika Gunasekera and Sudeepa Perera will be cooking delicious Sri-Lanka food on-site during our services. If you'd like to join, please contact Sudeepa on sudeepafernando62@gmail.com. We have extended the RSVP date, through to the end of Monday, 3rd of June, 2019. Price: Adults, 16 and above - \$15; Children - \$10 and under 5's are free. Pre-pay on-line into the St George's account: **03 0104 010984400 00 re: 'SLFund' and your 'Last Name'**. Confirm number of meals, date and amount paid. See the noticeboard for the menu being cooked in the church hall on the day. This is a way of expressing our collective desire to be part of Christ's 'expansive hospitality'.

Last week, we also want to feedback that the senior youth and youth leaders had a particularly energizing time with guest speaker, Matt Stott as part of the **'Soul Tour'** course, held here at St. George's. More than thirty young people gave up their Friday night and whole day, Saturday to learn about emotional, spiritual and mental health. Matt Stott is the founder of **'Soul Tour'** and cut his teeth in youth communication, through 'The Parenting Place'. He has spoken nationally and internationally on these issues, along with developing resources for high schools like King's. The young people who were there found it incredibly helpful as they learnt new insights to not only help themselves but others in this core area of their development. Our thanks to Wilson Chan who organized this and is committed to offering this biennially. If you're interested yourself, we also recommend the 'Thinking Matters' Conference coming up this next weekend.

Peace and grace,

Co-Vicars, Josh and Gareth

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 for which we are extremely grateful, 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@stgeorgesepsom.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 to chat about as a family at the table, in the car or on the couch:

When was a time you experienced loneliness?

What things have you experienced that combat loneliness?

Who are some mentors you feel like you can turn to in hard times?

What are some verses or truth coaches you hold on to in hard times?

Tuesday, 4th June: Refining and Condensing Our Values

Friday, 7th June: AYM Pentecost Service. Our youth band is playing!

Sunday, 9th June: Youth Service! We are leading the service!

Sign up for our weekly Mailchimp: <http://eepurl.com/cB7G7j>

Wilson and the Youth Group team.



Hi families,

Welcome to Queens birthday Sunday!!

Because it is a holiday weekend there is no official KidsChurch, however there is the option for some fun activities or activity sheets in church.

The kids are welcome to join us in the hall or make use of the sheets from the creche room. The Creche and toys are available for the pre-school kids and infants.

We look forward to seeing you again for KidsChurch **next week, 9th June** and don't forget our

Fluro Family Disco on the 7th!!

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!



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.

See noticeboard for all the details!

Prayer - Walk the Nation

Saturday, June 8th - Let's join thousands of others in covering our nation in prayer by praying wherever we walk. Pray for an increase of God's presence in our communities and for our neighbours' health, protection and safety and most of all their salvation.