



### World Day of Prayer 2024

**EPSOM service: 10am on Friday, 1st March 2024**  
**Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church**  
**19 Banff Ave, Epsom.**

This years' service will be led by the women of this Catholic parish and followed by morning tea. The service has been prepared by the women of Palestine, and the theme is

**"I beg you...bear with one another in love."**

Please bring a friend if you can.

There will be an offering towards the work of Christian World Service, Hospital Chaplaincy, and the Bible Society.

For inquiries, phone **Diana Burslem** on **021 180 3212**  
 or email [dianaburslem14@gmail.com](mailto:dianaburslem14@gmail.com)

### Are You willing to join the regular

### Roster of Volunteers?

**Our volunteers are invaluable in the smooth running of the service each Sunday. We really need**



### City Mission Needs Our Help!!

**Families are struggling to make ends meet.**

On a Sunday, if you are able to bring a can of spaghetti, tomatoes, vegetables, soup, fruit, meat, fish, sauces, creamed rice.....

to help the

**City Mission help Aucklanders in desperate need!**

**A huge thank you to all who support this wonderful cause.**



### Morning Tea

You are invited to stay for morning tea in the Hall after the service.

**Everyone**



**Wednesday Morning 10am Service**



### Opportunities for Prayer @ St George's

**Saturday Morning Prayer:** Weekly prayer meeting in the church Pastoral Care Room. 8.30am – 9.30am. Contact Malcolm Taylor, [taylors\\_nz@xtra.co.nz](mailto:taylors_nz@xtra.co.nz) for more information. All welcome.

**Prayer Ministry:** After every service there are always people available to pray with you. All those offering prayer have been trained to pray with others.

**Prayer Chain:** There is a small group who pray for requests confidentially. Contact: Lynette Wood [dandlwood@gmail.com](mailto:dandlwood@gmail.com) or phone 021 208 3561.



Welcome to our service this morning, we're so happy to have you join us! ❤️

We'll be meeting up in the church hall for our **Kids' Church** program and **under 5s** are welcome to come along too and enjoy toys, activities and colouring.

**Have a great week,**

**Jess, Hayley and the team**



Can I invite you to take some time this week to pray for

**Dee Jones**

**our mission partner in Zambia, working for the Kesempa Foundation.**

Pray for guidance with the projects she is involved in, partners to work alongside her in this,

motivation and perseverance for the difficult days,

patience and grace for the challenges that are inevitable.

Pray for her health, for her friends and for her community.

Pray for her family in New Zealand and Australia,

and pray for her peace and protection.



### St George's ESOL Classes

**Term 1 classes run on a Tuesday from February 20<sup>th</sup> - Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Where:** In the St G's hall.

**When:** 10am -12 pm

**Tuesdays:** learning English and making friends.

**Thursdays:** learning English through the Bible.

**Levels:** Beginner to Advanced English speakers

Please pray for our team and our students and welcome those who come along to church.

Tell your friends and neighbours about ESOL, especially if they are lonely and want to learn English.

If you would like to be involved or require more info, please contact:

David Blaker 027 316 5173, [dblaker7@icloud.com](mailto:dblaker7@icloud.com)

Jo Bissett 021 105 5347, [ianpbissett@gmail.com](mailto:ianpbissett@gmail.com)

or just come along.

### Mainly Music

**School Term: Every Friday from 9.30am in the Church Hall**

**Enquiries: please contact**

**Hayley Lewis on 027 435 5488**

**[stgeorges.mainlymusic@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorges.mainlymusic@gmail.com)**





## LENT - Five Marks of Mission

“Empowering people to be Christ’s followers in the world.”

**SERVICE, 18 February**  
**10.00am**

**THEME: ‘Five Marks of Mission - Tell’**

**SPEAKER:** Rev. Josh Jones

**READINGS:** Acts 28:30-31; 1 Corinthians 3:5-7;  
Luke 4:42-43; Matthew 13:31-33

**VERSE OF THE DAY: 1 Corinthians 15:58** “So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever in vain.”

**WEDNESDAY SERVICE, 21 February**  
**10.00am**

**SPEAKER:** Judy Carey

**THEME: ‘Wisdom’s Call’**

**SERVICE, 25 February**  
**10.00am**

**SPEAKER:** Rev. Jeremy Woods

**THEME: ‘Five Marks of Mission - Transform’**

**VISITORS ... It’s great to have you worshipping with us today.**  
**We hope you feel at home here and we look forward to getting to know you.**

## REFLECTIONS FROM REV JOSH JONES

Last Sunday began a huge week in our Church ministry calendar and today we combine 3 significant themes for our faith community life. Last Wednesday (Ash Wednesday) we embarked on the **Journey of Lent**, which along with Advent is a key faith formation journey in the Worldwide Christian calendar.

We continue our Lent Journey to the Cross by embarking upon our **Five Marks Of Mission** sermon series beginning with our mission calling to **TELL** and Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom. We also hope to have a live link up with **Dee Jones** our mission partner in Zambia and last, but not least, I will speak into our **Giving Appeal for 2024**.

Last week was **Vision Sunday** and I very much wanted to locate all our Vision values and aspirations in the firm grounding of our core scripture vision callings. To be a people with a vision of hope in Christ and to **‘let our good deeds shine before others for the glory of God’**, by being the God flavours and God colours Salt and light) in our daily endeavours. *Matthew 5*

### ESOL

On Thursday we had a living breathing expression of our mission calling to be salt and light as Jo Bisset (**our new ESOL community coordinator**) led us in a very encouraging meeting to plan and look forward to the coming year. We have a wonderfully committed and gifted team of ESOL teachers and volunteers and everyone left feeling very excited about the heartbeat for this important expression of our ministry and mission.

### THANK YOU

Finally, we want to say a huge thank you to everyone who faithfully commits to gathering for worship each Sunday. Your presence is never taken for granted but is always an immense source of encouragement as we continue to build a deepening community of people centred in the person and calling of Jesus Christ.

The great strength of our community is that our kingdom diversity is truly a gift and with this gift we can be an encouragement and blessing to each other for our Christian walk and formation in Christ.

**Josh and the Leadership Team**

### GIVING

- EFTPOS: Available at back of Church
- INTERNET BANKING: Westpac Bank A/c # 03-0104-0109844-01
- DONATION BOX: In the Church.