



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

SUNDAY SERVICE, 28 June
Fully Human Fully Alive - Greed

SPEAKER: Josh Jones

READINGS: Luke 11:3

VERSE OF THE DAY: “Give us today our daily bread”

WEDNESDAY SERVICE, 1 July - 10.00am

SPEAKER: Glenys Brookbanks

“ Grasping the invisible real “

Luke: 24 13-49



NEXT SUNDAY, 5 July - 10.00am

SPEAKER - Jeremy Woods

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VISITORS ... It's great to have you worshipping with us today. We hope you feel at home, and please join us in hall after service for morning tea.

Reflection from Josh

Morena and a very warm welcome to our St George's community,

Wherever you may be in your journey of faith our prayer is that your time here will be one of spiritual nurture and nourishment in Christ.

On Tuesday & Wednesday Jeremy and I attended the annual **Clergy Ministry Conference** which is a time of gathering for all the priests in the Auckland Diocese. The theme was **Faithful and Fruitful** (how to lead congregations through times of change and transition) with the main speakers being Carolyn Robertson, a vicar from Christchurch, and our own Chris Clarke. In my 16 years here in Aotearoa, it was one of the best conferences I've attended as it went to the core of the many challenges for Church leaders. I know from our group discussion times that some of the subjects raised touched raw and tender spots gained from some of the more bruising experiences of leading.

My personal takeaways, drawn from my own ministry experience, is that it's simply not possible to be fruitful without being faithful. Being a 'faithful presence within' means you can lead from a place of trust as people realise that you are prepared to walk a long obedience in the same direction alongside them.

Another aspect that resonated deeply for both Jeremy and I was the exercise Chris and Carolyn gave of looking back on our own church history to see how the spiritual echoes of the past were threads that ran through the history of a church. Carolyn had noticed that children's ministry figured significantly at the very beginning of her own church's history. It felt like the ever present 'angel'.

We both noticed that when **Mrs George** agreed to put up the money to build this church, she made two stipulations. That pews could no longer be reserved and paid for and all furniture given by the community did not lead to debt. It's telling that from the very beginning of St George's a spirit of removing barriers to faith was present and we both felt that this spoke into our own passion of this being a place of grace. Where people can come just as they are. We also noticed how the spirit of music has been a prominent worship echo with so many musicians and singers being part of St George's journey to this present day.

Today we continue our journey of Jesus' promise to bring us *'life in all its fullness'* and how our 'sins' can diminish our spirit of aliveness.

GIVING

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- **INTERNET BANKING: Bank A/c St Georges Church Epsom
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Good morning and welcome. We look forward to seeing you at kids church up in the hall today!

Jess, Hayley and the team



Attention new families! If you have a child or youth that has begun attending recently, please complete this registration for so we have all the information we need to best support your family.



Funeral for Mike Chopping

The service will be held at

St Mary's Cathedral

1:00pm

Tuesday, 30th June



Our condolences go out to Toni, Will and family.



SUNDAY JULY 19th after the service



Please Join Us For Morning Tea

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

New here and keen to get connected?

Scan the QR code and fill out the form to let us know how we can best support you in getting connected.



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Opportunities for Prayer at St George's



Saturday Morning Prayer: Weekly prayer meeting in the Pastoral Care Room. 8.30am – 9.30am. Contact Malcolm Taylor, taylor_s_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.

Confidential Prayer Chain: Contact: Lynette Wood dandlwood@gmail.com