



NORTHERN VIEW

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Comings and Goings

This will be the title of the last Sunday worship message I will share with the St Anne's congregations on 10 April. We will read Acts 9 and hear about Saul who became St Paul after having an encounter with Jesus that turn his life around. A Coming to Christian faith of a colossus in the story of the Church. Then we will hear about Jesus' third post resurrection appearance to the disciples as He restores and forgives St Peter before His final departure at the Ascension if you like, His Going. I'll leave the rest of the telling of the sermon until the 10th.

In the meantime it only remains for me in this forum to say thank you. Thank you for welcoming me so warmly on 4 October last as I became your interim priest soon after the departure of Deborah. You had committed to take

responsibility for much of the parish administration leaving me free for Sunday duties and home visiting. Some of you have shouldered much responsibility faithfully and ably – thank you for doing what you said you would do.

Parishioner, Pat Sapsford's funeral came during that first month and again you wonderfully stepped up to the mark strongly supporting Roland and the family (and me as a newcomer) pastorally and practically.

Things moved pretty fast from there to Christmas. Highlights included the October and November monthly Friday teas and Thursday munches, fortnightly free food Fridays and special December services on the 6th (Emerson's baptism) and 13th (all age pageant when we first trialed non Eucharistic Sunday services). Vestry and the various sub groups, formal and less formal, continued to shoulder much responsibility as promised.

January worship attendance continued strong, albeit with few children, and suddenly February arrived with Children's activities resuming and beginning with another all age worship service. A few of you were bold enough to allow their faces to be painted white and gold reflecting the mountain top experiences of Moses and Jesus with His disciples.

March brought the news that Paul McIntosh will be your new permanent priest; your nominators breathed a sigh of relief and the congregation embraced this news positively and enthusiastically. Then we were into Holy Week and Easter. The Lenten studies which we have done jointly with Wadestown parish concluded after a very enlightening and faith-building six weeks considering, 'Generous Hospitality.'

Holy Week and Easter services have been very special for me, as was participation in the Maundy Thursday overnight vigil. This time offers blessing to those who choose to participate in the 'extras' and my sense was that this has happened for many of you. And to cap it all off we had an Easter Sunday in house baptism with Emily being brought to be formally made a member of the Church by Matthew and Erin, with her godparents from Nelson.

I will sign off (GO) with a final all age worship this Sunday where we will identify with Thomas who had to wait a week to see the resurrected Jesus and my final services on the 10th – see above. And for good measure I will have a last committee meeting – Vestry on 7th. I leave and go much encourage and blessed that I have been amongst a people who, though small in number, are large in love and faith. I am confident you will support Paul and his family well, as you have me.

Goodbye,
Terry Alve – Interim Priest.

Installation Rev Paul McIntosh

You are warmly invited to attend the installation of Rev Paul McIntosh at St Anne's - 7 pm Friday 15 April 2016.

Please bring a plate for supper.

Please contact Nina to offer to help at the service (475 3353 or email hyhome@clear.net.nz)



Warden's letter

Kia ora koutou

We have completed our AGM and taken a stocktake of our level of caring for others with those at our AGM. Out of the 26 people there, we had 14 people register that they have received, felt caring from the Parish. This is just over half those there. This is a start, but we need to look after each so we stay strong and can reach out into the community.

I have received caring from my fellow Parishioners. The type of caring I have received in the past year has varied. Kay gave me a mirror to use in my organic garden and introduced me to a new organic gardening technique. I got some left over plants from the church fair to plant on the council bank outside my house. I have got produce from others, great books out of the free basket, a listening ear from others... I have tried to take the time to listen to those who are willing to give an honest answer to the "how are you?" question, shared my eggs, dropped round to see people, dropped off part of a meal to others, taken the time to help someone celebrate their birthday, turned up to support the hall tidy up session and fundraisers when I have had the time. What have you been actively doing?

Terry has been out in the Parish undertaking visits. Terry dropped in on my family one afternoon and we also had the opportunity to share food with him on Christmas Eve between his services. It has been great to have Terry undertaking an active visiting role for the healthy as well as the infirm. This is something the Wardens have asked Paul to continue. If you would like a visit from the vicar, email the

stanneswellington@gmail.com email address. This is an email address accessed by the vicar only – currently Terry and soon to be Paul.

As we look forward, think about how you would like to be cared for and let others in the Parish know how you would like help or can help. Are you able to help with babysitting for a night? Can you share something from your garden with others? Can you teach someone how to knit? Have you been having trouble with an application on your computer and want to find someone who is good with that application?

Noho ora mai, Louise

Bishop's Letter March 2016

Posted on 17 March 2016

I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you...all peoples on earth will be blessed through you. [Genesis 12]



In September last year, driving back into Wellington, I felt a sense of God calling us to respond actively to the refugee crisis. At that time I felt a deep sense of weariness and a reluctance to engage with God's invitation. However the following weekend, I received the outpouring of your hospitality from each parish. As I write this morning, children of the Syrian refugees play in the Cathedral garden as their parents attend one of a number of ongoing orientation days run by the Red Cross.

You may have also seen some of the newspaper and online coverage of the huge effort undertaken by our parishes, the Catholic parishes, the Islamic community and the Red Cross, to successfully organise the setting up of houses for the February intake.

A few weeks ago, I stood with Archbishop Philip before the Amnesty International parliamentary public hearing on the refugee quota, advocating for doubling the number of refugees arriving in New Zealand each year. I know a number of parishes too have lobbied their local MPs with the same message. I'm struck through this whole process just how much we have talked over the years about becoming a transformative movement of local faith communities. These recent months, more than anything else over the years of my episcopate, has given us a picture of what we can be. We have worked successfully at several levels:

- We have lobbied government and worked with parliamentary processes to effect change
- We spoke into the secular public sphere and improved our capability in working with social agencies
- We effected local level community transformation; building new friendships not only to those new to Aotearoa, but between brothers and sisters of different faiths, denominations, viewpoints and backgrounds

And most importantly, we have been transformative change-makers in the name of Jesus. Well done to you all for the hard work you have done and continue to do.

Please also make sure that the Diocesan Leadership Training day on Saturday 9 April is in your diaries – this day is for anyone who holds a leadership position in the parishes. This will be a great opportunity to connect with people who lead in

similar ways across the Diocese; to hear some key messages as well as take part in some specific sessions tailored to particular issues.

Blessings to you all for a holy and life-giving Easter season.

+Justin
Bishop of Wellington



The overall theme for the day is "Generous Hospitality in Family," which will be weaved into both our topical workshops and main sessions.

Saturday 9 April 2016 from 9.30am to 4.00pm
St Christopher's Anglican Church, 1 Lyndhurst Road, Tawa

This day is for Leaders! That's everyone who leads in some way in a parish, in a mission unit, or in our Diocese. This might include clergy, vestry members, administrators, youth and children team, pastoral care teams and others.

Tropical Cyclone Winston Update from the Anglican Missions Board

Update: 24 March 2016



On Saturday morning 20 Feb 2016 Category 5 Cyclone Winston passed through Fiji's two main islands – the maximum wind speed recorded was 185 miles per hour. As has been reported on our website and through other communications around the Church, AMB launched an Emergency Appeal and donations have been coming in daily.

Our Projects Officer, Reverend Mike Hawke who was in Fiji at the time of the Cyclone recently returned together with the Church Media Officer, Lloyd Ashton, to see first-hand the needs since the Cyclone; and to begin work on the development of a relief and rebuilding plan with the Diocese of Polynesia.

The needs are huge and we urge our church to continue to uphold in your prayers the Diocese of Polynesia and the people of Fiji. THANK YOU to all who have donated and will donate and for your expressions of care and good wishes. Funds received to date: NZ\$17,500 approx.

One area of particular need is the remote village of Maniava where there are 28 houses (almost all of the settlement) that need to be rebuilt. As well they have urgent need of an interim toilet, bathrooms, temporary shelter and food. This is a first point of focus for AMB; however a substantial relief and rebuilding plan is currently being worked on.

Please see the link below to read an update on the Cyclone and the people affected: <http://episcopaldigitalnetwork.com/ens/2016/03/15/an-ordeal-of-the-most-grievous-kind-fiji-cyclone-update/>

<Editor's note Rev Mike Hawke will be preaching at St Anne's on Sunday 19 April>

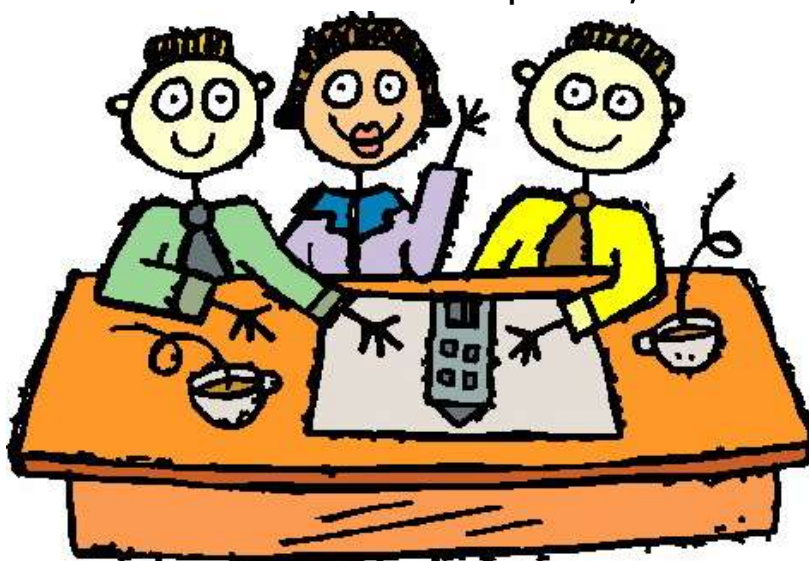
AGM 2016

At the AGM on 13 March the following people were elected:

Peoples Warden: Louise Lennard

Vestry: Sue Batley, Katherine Broome, Julia Hayes, Elizabeth Newman

Synod Representatives: Michael Chapman, Cameron James



Please note, casual, one-off hall bookings are not being accepted at this time, until a new administrator is appointed.

WANTED: Volunteer to manage one-time bookings for the hall. Please contact Rosemary Tomlinson or Johnny Lowe.

Vestry Notes – March 2016

The meeting on 10 March prepared for the AGM by reviewing:
2015 accounts
budget 2016
2016 goals

It was recommended that the goals agreed by the parish at the meeting in September will be offered to the AGM.

Vestry also considered the recommendations from Afinite Group for the management of the church hall, and parish administration. The agreed motions were presented to the AGM and passed. Until a new person is found to manage one-off hall bookings then these cannot be offered. Support for regular users is in place.

Our bible study reflected on Exodus 35:30-36:2 Gifts for the Tabernacle. This is an old testament reflection on talents. God gives us a job to do and the skills to do it. Everyone has their personal skills to share which can provide variety and colours like a peacock. There is a responsibility to use talents well, to give glory to God. We also discussed robust spirituality.

Vestry meets again on Thursday 7 April 2016.

Nina Hydes

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A message from Northland Kidz Club

Northland Kidz Club's Two-Week April Holiday Programme

Bookings are open for the holiday programme which runs from Monday 18 April – Friday 29 April

On our “out-and-about” exploring of the Wellington region we’ll be

Touring the St. James Theatre, visiting the Wellington Central Fire Station, go-karting, swimming at the Porirua Aquatic Centre, going to “Mission Inflatable” and much more !

\$45 per child per day (third child onwards, \$20), 8.30 a.m to 6 p.m each day.

For details, check out our website (www.nkc.org.nz) or contact Jan on cell (022-140-2612), e-mail (nkc.jan@gmail.com)

Coming up...

- First Friday of the month 6pm (**2 April, 6 May**) – **Pot luck** dinner in the hall, all welcome
- First Saturday of the month (**7 May**) – **Blokes Breakfast** from 8:45 am at Marsden Café Karori. All blokes welcome.
- Second and Fourth Fridays (**8, 22 April**) **Free Food Friday** from 5:30 pm, BBQ sausages outside the hall
- Third Sunday, **Messy Church**, No Messy Church this month
- **Craft Group** meets on second and fourth Sunday, (**10, 24 April**) in the hall 2-5 pm, all welcome
- **Thursday Munch** Fourth Thursday, **28 April** from 11:30 am, all welcome in the hall
- **Leadership Training Day Saturday 9 April** 9.30am to 4.00pm, St Christopher’s Anglican Church, 1 Lyndhurst Road, Tawa

