



NORTHERN VIEW

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Paul writes

My daughter is slightly addicted to watching Peppa Pig. Please don't judge, this is our first child and we're still figuring out what it means to be parents! In these episodes Peppa has quite an idyllic life, as much as a young cartoon pig can. But one thing that stands out in this series is that the central character Peppa is always surrounded by her family or friends. She enjoys these relationships. These relationships are core to the narrative.

And in the narrative of our lives, relationships are also core. Relationships are central to who we are. We weren't created to live alone. We aren't just individuals, we are a part of a family, we are a part of a community, we are a part of a nation. Relationships sit at the heart of what it means to be human. But it's so easy to get distracted from this. To put things before people. To concern ourselves about money, or about doing up the house, or to clock up more miles on our overseas travel. But the truth, and the reality of it all, is that these things only have value if they are shared with others.

In the gospels we find the narrative of Jesus' life. If we look at his story, we see how central relationships were to his existence. Amongst the pressures and demands placed on him, he still prioritised these relationships. And more specifically he balanced three key relationships. Firstly there was an outward focus to his relationships where he spent time with those in his wider community. The lonely, the outcast, the hurting. Secondly there was an inward focus to his relationships where he spent meaningful time with those close to him, and in his case, in particular his friends, the disciples. Then finally, there was an upward focus to his relationships, where he spent time with his Heavenly Father. His source of guidance, love and purpose.

I believe this is the fundamental to living a balanced and healthy life. A life that is primarily orientated around relationships. Relationships that look out (loving our neighbour), in (loving one another) and up (loving God).

As a church we are starting to have conversations of what this could look like. What would it look like to live this relationally balanced life as both individuals and as a church?

I invite you to join in the conversation. In particular I invite you to a gathering we're having this week on Thursday 7 July at 7:30pm in the church hall. We have invited Rev Ellie Sanderson and a few from the Eastbourne parish to share with us how a programme called 3DM has helped them as a church move towards this relationally balanced life.

Blessings,
Rev Paul

Warden's letter

I've been looking forward to the change in seasons so that I could light our wood-burner. For the last month we have enjoyed the ambiance and heat throughout the house. We even got to share that warmth when we hosted the continuation of the Lenten studies in June. We're watching the movies from the Generous Hospitality study. On Friday 15 July the next movie is Julie & Julia a film about identity, calling, hospitality and the role of food in our lives.

Preparation for the winter fires began months ago when we started collecting wood. It's amazing how much free wood is available even in central Wellington! There have also been friends who have given us wood that we collected. It's an illustration that until we look we're missing what's right under our noses, or not watching or appreciating what's happening in our community.

Vestry decided that we would celebrate St Anne's Patronal Festival by having another dinner this year in the hall. It's another variation of a pot-luck dinner. If you'd like to host a table please invite people to join you to make a table of 6-8. Then decide your theme and organise the food for your table. Please also contact me to let me know who's coming to your table. If you can help with the preparation of the hall and clean-up I'd love to hear from you too. The dinner is on Saturday 30 July.

After church on Sunday 31 July we're having our Talent Auction. Yeah, my oven gets another clean! Please think about talents that you can offer, or would like to receive and let Sue Watson know.

God bless, Nina

News from the Toumu'a family

The good news is that the Toumu'a family seem to have escaped unscathed from the ravages of the Pacific storms

Here's an update from Ruth,

Yes, the Pacific has been hit by some truly devastating cyclones. Some of the biggest we can remember. And they have been particularly unpredictable, cross crossing and double-tracking through Tonga and her neighbours. Scary stuff.

We have been blessed with amazing protection here on the main island of Tongatapu. The upper islands of Vava'u and Ha'apai have been the hardest hit in Tonga. But even then, their situation cannot compare to the devastation Fiji has suffered, particularly in the outlying islands. People there are having to literally rebuild their lives, and deal with food shortages and water and mosquito borne illnesses which usually follow these events.

We thank St Anne's for keeping us all in your prayers as we do the Lord's calling over here in the Kingdom of Tonga. We have had superficial damage to roof/spouting, crops, etc, but if I were to suggest a place to gift the missions funds it would be to our brothers and sisters in Fiji. There are a number of cyclone relief fundraising agencies, and the Anglican diocese may be able to direct you to one they recommend.

In terms of Tonga the needs are many and varied. Maybe one day St Anne's families can come over and visit us! We'd love that. :)

'ofa atu, with love from us all,
Ruth, Tu'i, Bryan, Josh and Doris

REFUGEES

The Outreach Group has been investigating how St Anne's can be involved in welcoming the next group of refugees to Wellington.



There are two goals – (a) to collect household goods that will be needed by the new arrivals, and (b) to encourage volunteers to join in the sorting of the goods and the setting up the house to welcome the new arrivals.

The next group of refugees will arrive in August. Volunteers are wanted for:

- Sorting the donated goods – 8 people. Sunday 14 August 2-4pm, Monday 15th 9-4pm, Tuesday 15th 9-4pm. This will be at the Loaves and Fishes.
- Household set-up – 5 teams of 4 people. Tuesday 16th 6pm and Thursday 18th 6pm
- Hospitality crew (at one or more of these times) – Sunday 14th afternoon tea; Monday 15th morning tea and lunch; Tuesday 16th morning tea and lunch; finger food for training.

Please sort out your goods to donate, but keep them at home until August 14.

More information from Sue Batley 475 7752



Vestry Notes – June 2016

Vestry reflected on Romans 8:31-39. Its powerful message reinforces the readings that we've had at church since Easter. God is for us and nothing can separate us from the love of God, not even death.

Vestry discussed 3dm again. Several people had attended the introductory session recently. Vestry agreed that 3dm was a good tool to use to use to discern the way forward for the parish. More information will be provided to the parish to explain it. Ellie Sanderson will be coming to talk to St Anne's Vestry and parishioners on Thursday 7 July.

The meeting agreed that St Anne's day will be celebrated with a parish dinner on Saturday 30 July.

Next Vestry meeting is Thursday 14 July 2016.

Nina Hydes

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

Generous Hospitality – Making Room at the Table

A Winter Series
Bring some finger food for a light meal, watch the movie, then join a discussion

6 – 9 pm

Friday 17th July

Julie & Julia

195A Wilton Road

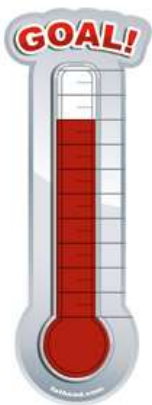
There will be other movies coming over the next few months



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Missions 2016



Our 2016 total to date is \$444.20

We need a top-up to reach our target of \$1500.

Mission boxes are in the foyer.
Donations can be put in the offertory plate or sent to the Treasurer – please mark the envelope "Missions"

Messy Church news and kids' sustainable fashion show



A great time was had at Messy Church on 19 June. Our theme was "Managing our Worries" and we blew bubbles, made birds, built bridges, and made flowers. Then there was a short celebration and afternoon tea.

There's no Messy Church during the school holidays. Come along for afternoon tea at the vicarage (14 Farm Road) instead. We'll see you there at 3 pm on 17 July.

And don't forget that we are entering the Sustainable Fashion Show 4pm at the Cathedral on 20 August. You might want to get working on your outfit now. Think Christian Dior meets bubble wrap! There will be a barbecue tea before the parade kicks off. Note that this event is on a Saturday and we'll skip our usual Messy Church in August.

Yours messily,
Julia

*St Anne's Parish
Dinner
Saturday 30
July 2016*



Coming up...

- First Friday of the month 6pm (**1 July, 5 Aug**) – **Pot luck** dinner in the hall, all welcome
- Second Saturday of the month (**9 July**) – **Blokes Breakfast** from 8:45 am at Marsden Café Karori. All blokes welcome
- Second and Fourth Fridays (**8, 22 July**) **Free Food Friday** from 5:30 pm, BBQ sausages outside the hall
- Third Sunday 3pm **17 July, Messy Church** meets at the vicarage 14 Farm Road for afternoon tea
- **Craft Group** meets on second and fourth Sunday, (**10, 24 July**) in the hall 2-5 pm, all welcome
- **Thursday Munch** Fourth Thursday, **28 July** from 11:30 am in the hall, with a quiz or guest speaker and lunch
- Generous Hospitality **Movies** with St Luke's 6-9pm Friday **15 July**, 195A Wilton Road
- **St Anne's Parish Dinner** Saturday 30 July in the hall
- **Talent Auction** after church Sunday **31 July**
- **Sustainable Fashion Show** – Messy Church 4pm **20 August** at the Cathedral
- **Annual Church Fair** Saturday **15 October**

JULY Services at St Anne's

Sunday 3 July 14th Sunday Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Eucharist
9:30 a.m. All Age Worship

Sunday 10 July 15th Sunday Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Eucharist

Sunday 17 July 16th Sunday Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Eucharist

Sunday 24 July 17th Sunday Ordinary Time – St Anne's
8:00 a.m. Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Eucharist

Sunday 31 July 18th Sunday Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Eucharist and Childrens Church

Sunday 7 August 19th Sunday Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Eucharist
9:30 a.m. All Age Worship

Services are held at St Anne's, on the corner of Northland and Randwick Roads, Northland, Wellington.

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