### **DIARY THIS WEEK**



Sunday 22 May

8am Eucharist St James'

9am Morning Worship All Saints' 10am Family Eucharist St James'

(also on Zoom, see p3)

Monday 23 May

4pm Youth Choir practice

Wednesday 25 May

9am Staff meeting at St James'

**Thursday 26 May** 

7.45am Waffles for High School students
10am Chirping Cherubs in the hall
10am Communion (BCP) St James'
12 pm Thursday Club All Saints'

Saturday 28 May

8:30am Morning Prayer at St James

Sunday 29 May

8am Eucharist St James'

9am All Saints'

10am Family Eucharist St James'

(also on Zoom, see p3)



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BNZ account 02 0528 0045901 00

Reference:

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8am Prayers each week day, via zoom link 78232674706 Passcode Lambchops

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## The Anglican Parish of Lower Hutt St James Church and All Saints Church, Belmont

# **NEWSLINK**15th May 2022 - 5th Sunday of Easter



Naumai, haere mai! Malo e lelei! Talofa! 欢迎 (huān yíng!)

### The Sentence for today:

Jesus said "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another"

### COLLECT FOR THE WEEK.

Compassionate God, you have taught us that anything we do without love is worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues: for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ.

**TODAY'S READINGS:** Acts 11: 1-18 p. 1272 John 13:31-38 p. 1251

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."
John 13:34.

Jesus had previously made it clear that love for others was a cornerstone of obedience to God (Matthew 22:36–40). In today's reading from John, Jesus is re-emphasising love by using the example of him washing the disciples' feet as a humble servant (as we should be prepared to do). Here, Jesus emphasises His own love as the standard to which all believers should aspire. Love—especially between fellow believers—is meant to be the primary and most powerful sign of one's Christian faith. Let us remember in all things this week to show love to others in all things we do.

This week we have a special guest preacher, and whether you attend in person or via zoom, you won't want to miss it. *Murry* 

### 8am Eucharist NZPB p.404

President: Murray Wills
Preacher: Chris Low
Leader: Mark Stone
Reader: Kathy Ingram
Gospel Margaret Miller

### 10am Family Eucharist Also on Zoom (see p. 3 for details)

President: Murray Willis Preacher: Chris Low

Leader: Robyn Eastgate-Manning

Server: Neeta Amolik

Song 10,000 reasons

Song Tuhia

### **Collect (see front page)**

Acts 11: 1-18 (Tim Housel)

Gradual: Jesus, the joy of loving hearts

John 13: 31-35 (Barbara Taylor)

**Sermon** (Chris Low) **Intercessions** (Dulce Johnson)

Offertory: What a beautiful

name

The Lord's Prayer

Communion

Angus Dei Lotti Tallis: if ve love me

Come before

### Family time

Hymn 156 Come down, O love divine

Dismissal

### 9.00am All Saint's Eucharist

President: Raewyn Berkahn Preacher: Raewyn Berkahn Leader: Harry Adam

### Prayers this week

### The Church

We pray for Orthodox churches around the world, as they decide how to respond to the Russian invasion in the Ukraine. For the Diocesan Training Day on Saturday.

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### The Covid-19 Epidemic

For patience and endurance, as case numbers start to rise again.

### The Community

For those looking after family members who are suffering from long-term illness or dementia.

### The Local Church

For those preparing for the St James book fair next weekend

### Those for whom prayer is asked

Chris C, Bill, Lynley, Emma, Daniel, Leila, Ian J, Diana, Sheldon, Joyce, John, Emily, Sophia, Dorothy, Margaret O, Marion, Barbara H, Trina, Eddie B, Sara, Jacque

## Readings for next Sunday:

**Theme: Cooperation with God**Acts 16: 9-15 p.1279
John 5: 1-9 p.1240

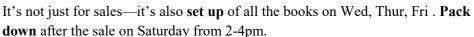
# Our big book fair fundraiser needs your help.

Please add your name to the roster on the back wall of St James'. **All Saints'** - you are invited to help, too!

We need helpers from the evening of

### Wednesday 18 May

through to Saturday 21 May at 4pm.



BOOK

**FAIR** 

St James' Church Hall

Please help, even for 1 hour, or longer if you can!

Any questions, or offers of help, please contact

Amanda on 021 515 943 or amanda@maxsys.co.nz .

### **CAN YOU PLEASE REVIEW YOUR GIVING?**

The giving to the end of April was \$63,852.87 against a budget of \$71,600, a shortfall of \$7,747 (11%). Last year at the same time giving was \$67,542. Over the last year we have achieved a lot – enabling parishioners to stay connected through Covid with our new audio visual equipment, appointing two new staff and completing refurbishments to All Saints to name a few.

However, a combination of the Covid impacts, unanticipated staff costs, and a substantial increase in the Diocesan contribution has meant our current unavoidable costs exceed current income by a significant amount each month. We need to increase our average giving by 10% to overcome this serious issue. It's a challenge we can't afford to put off to our regular Steward Renewal programme later in the year. We appreciate that many of us are facing additional costs in these times, but if you can help, please do.

Fiona Strachan – Bishop's Warden , Dan Reeves — Peoples Warden

### **Cursillo Pilgrimage - Enhance your relationship with God**

Cursillo is an Anglican short course focused primarily on deepening your relationship with God.

**Women's Weekend**:  $23^{\text{rd}} - 26^{\text{th}}$  June @ El Rancho, Waikanae **Men's Weekend**:  $14^{\text{th}} - 17^{\text{th}}$  July @ St. Matthew's

Collegiate,

### Masterton

To find out more, please contact:: Lynne-Stella Hassett 04 971 8709 or

## **Right Royal Party Update** What we need most now

Thanks to everyone who is continuing to volunteer to help with our Right Royal Party, which we are running on 6 June as a Hall **Development fund-raiser. It is great** to have your support.

Our planning for the big day is progressing well. We are working out

What stalls we will have (cakes, jams, craft etc), as well as what food (from

Bacon Butties to High Teas)

Our entertainment for the kids

The displays we will have

The programme for our concert in the afternoon (including our special entertainers); and of course

Where else we need your help.

### What we most need still are as follows:

Jams and pickles (we have plenty of bakers, thanks)

People to man the church for Security (specify times available 11am – 3.30pm)

First Aiders (must be currently qualified – specify times available11am - 3.30pm)

Someone with a trailer and helpers to pick Council equipment up at 3pm

Friday 4 June and deliver it to the church

More people to set up and clean up on the day

Raffles prizes (eg gift baskets, bottles of wine, boxes of chocolates, discount vouchers promoting your business, etc)

More stalls – does anyone have any great ideas and/ or is prepared to

organise a stall?

If you can help with any of these requests, would you please put your name on the sheets at the back of the church; or email

HallDevelopment@stjames.net.nz or phone me.

> Thank you! Elaine Mosley 027 4900945









### TODAY

## Welcome to all who are worshipping with us!

We're glad you can join us at our service today.

Today we are re-introducing the common cup at communion. You are able to decline if you do not want to participate. Please NO dipping of wafers.

After the service, morning tea will be served. At the 8am service, tea and coffee will be served from the kitchen servery. At the 10am service you are invited to get a cup of tea from the kitchen servery or coffee at the back of the church.

Please note: The 10am service is being filmed. If you don't wish to appear in the broadcast, please talk to one of our welcomers or staff who will direct you to seats that will not be filmed.

To join us on ZOOM at 10am - see the details below:

10am service ON ZOOM: Copy and paste the link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82288208761?

pwd=ajhaNHdFWmRaSC9naXVBV1pPUmlNUT09

**By phone:** Dial (04) 886 0026 **Meeting ID:** 822 8820 8761 : **Passcode:** 635400

The Revd Chris Low has published a book entitled " **Shattering Glass Ceilings: No Obstacle Too Great** for God's Enabling Power"

Inspirational and biblically based, this personal narrative tells one woman's story of healing and empowerment as God's grace and hand in her life made possible many great things.

Check out Book Depository, where it has just listed at a price of NZ\$17.74 including delivery.

#### REMINDER

If you wish to have any notices or information included in the parish Newslink please have them to the office prior to 9:00am Thursdays

### **Tax Receipts**

These are in the process of being prepared.. Unfortunately they will not be available for another 2-3 weeks. It is worth noting that your donation receipts can be forwarded to the tax

### Update on Church External Protection (Painting) Project.

RJ Holdings and Dan Reeves met onsite at the church on 29th April and completed a walk around and orientation with the main contractors who have been awarded the project contract. They advised that they are on track to erect the scaffolding starting the week of the 16th May. They then plan to wrap (with white plastic) the scaffolding / church within the following week prior to commencing the protection preparation work. In preparation for the scaffolding going up the contractors have asked us to trim back the shrubs and bushes which are resting against the church walls. They will then look to wrap the remaining shrubs and bushes and

### Working Bee - Saturday 14th May. - 9.30am to 11.30am.

We would appreciate your help with trimming back the shrubs and bushes in preparation for the scaffolding going up.

All those that would like to help with this event, please contact Dan

### **ECO-FOCUS - URBAN LIVING**

The new display draws attention to implications of humanity living in cities or towns. It's not always been like that—How much do we need green spaces for mental health?

### For 10am worshippers

We bring to your attention that the duty roster for the 10am service is often incomplete due to a lack of volunteers available to help at the services.

We are seriously under-staffed, particularly for the role of **welcomers** and people to **prepare morning tea and coffee**. Some people are valiantly trying to fill the gaps in addition to other tasks, but we would LOVE to have some more volunteers! **Can you help?** 

Please talk to Raewyn or Murray to offer your services.

Let us use these readings of the day in our personal prayer time. These readings are from the Anglican Lectionary .....



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalm 118	Psalm 145	Psalm 122	Psalm 96	Psalm 57	Psalm 100  John 15  18-21
1-3, - 14-15	10-End	1-5	1-3,7-10	8-End	
John 14	John 14	John 15	John 15	John 15	
21-26	27-End	1-8	9-11	12-17	

## All Saints Church, Belmont 125th Celebrations







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