The Anglican Parish of Lower Hutt St James' and All Saints' Churches May 21st 2023 Sunday after Ascension Day



Naumai, HAERE MAI! MALO E LELEI! TALOFA! 欢迎 (HUĀN YÍNG!) Welcome all who are with us in person or on Zoom

Sentence: This is eternal life, that we may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

John 17:3

Collect. Christ our great high priest, you understand our weakness; you pray for us while we are sinners. Help us, through you, to find a new and living way to God; for the glory of your holy name **AMEN**

Today's Readings: Acts 1:1–14 John 17: 1-11

Our readings today tell of Jesus' Ascension, one of the great feast days of the Christian Church. Jesus's words before he ascends reminded the disciples of the significance of what they had witnessed. He instructed them to proclaim the Good News to all nations, and he pledged to send "the promise of the father upon [them]"; He guided them to stay until they are clothed with power from on high; and He blessed them. As disciples we too are called to proclaim the Good News, to bear witness, to preach repentance and the forgiveness of sins in His name to all nations. We do this in the power of the Holy Spirit. Let's take that outside into the community around us in words and action. MW

8am Eucharist NZPB p 404

Presider Murray Wills
Preacher Murray Wills

Leader Lynne-Stella Hassett

Reader Martin Haua Gospel Margaret Miller

10am Family Eucharist

Zoom see below for the link

Presider Murray Wills
Baptism Presider Catherine Froud
Preacher Murray Wills
Worship Leader Robyn Eastgate-

Manning

Server Savannah Lawrence

Song 1 Lord I lift your name on

high.

Song 2 Who you say I am See front page

Reading See front page Barbara Evans

Gradual Hymn Hail the day that sees him

rise(AMNS 87)

Gospel Barbara Taylor **Sermon** Murray Wills

Baptism The Arnold family-

Gabriella, Laurielle and Rene

The peace

Offertory Hymn Everyone is welcome

The Lord's prayer Maori **Angus Dei** Berkahn

Communion Hutchings: God is gone up.

Come before

Family Time

Final song Christ triumphant, ever

reigning

Dismissal Voluntary

9 am All Saints' Morning Worship

Presider: Annette Cater
Preacher: Annette Cater
Leader: Harry Adam

10am service ON ZOOM: Copy and paste the link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82288208761?pwd=aj

haNHdFWmRaSC9naXVBV1pPUmINUT09

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

Passcode: 635400

Prayers this week

Let us pray for the church and for the world, giving thanks for God's goodness.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ took on our humanity and the burden of love: let us learn from you to share the weight of this aching world*. We pray for all affected by this past week's tragic fire. We ask for healing for those entangled in addictions or harmful relationships of any kind. Shield the vulnerable; give us courage to help one another. We pray for Wellington and Justin our bishop; for its parishes, mission and schools

Those of us who are gardeners know this is a season for reflecting. As we prepare the ground for winter or take a walk in a beautiful park, may we think about God's original blessing to us, a garden with colour and harmony rising like a dawn chorus. In a world at the edge of falling, may we find people to grow together with in a household of faith and give fruit for sharing. We pray for colleagues and coworkers, teachers, and for schoolchildren, that each one is warm and fed.

We pray for Aotearoa in the coming elections, and for all nations, cultures, and faiths. We pray for King Charles and his queen, and for justice in God's commonwealth on earth. Lord, help those hurting after storms, and those with nowhere to go. We pray for people who have lost homes and livelihoods, and any who are suffering in their relationships. May God 'restore, support, and strengthen' them.

Gentle God, your will is always for healing; for love after loss; for joy after sadness; for rebuilding after destruction. On earth, we are your home. We pray for all whose calling is to protect the earth, and those negotiating solutions to climate change. We ask for help for countries where there is danger and conflict and only fragile peace, especially Ukraine and Sudan; for change wherever gun violence destroys lives. We pray for people escaping danger, carrying hope over obstacles, and those returning to homes in the midst of war. Strengthen them, Lord, and keep them safe. Our gospel today reminds us that God's love never ends; we pass it along like flame touching flame. Let us be witnesses to the warmth of that love, and joyful evidence of God's forgiveness and grace. **Amen.**

For those who have died and those who mourn

Rev. John Marquet

Those for whom prayer is asked

Bill, Lynley, Emma, Daniel, Leila, Ian and Penny J, Diana, Sheldon, John, Emily, Sophia, Dorothy, Trina, Sara P-C, Richard L, Michael, Patricia and John H, Kristine, Sophie S, Elizabeth W, Richard, Jean H, Megan, Dawn, Emma, Daniel, Gill B, Tonia. and Linda. Welcome to all who are worshipping with us! We are so pleased you are joining the services today.

We are offering the Common Cup at all communion services. You may decline a sip if you do not want drink from the cup.

Please, NO dipping of wafers or bread.

BANNERS

We are looking for people interested in creating Pentecost banners for St James' Church with an intergenerational or intercultural theme. You can use any medium: paper, collage, fabric or whatever takes your fancy. Both individual or group submissions are welcome (eg Home Group).

Size dimensions are no more than 100cm high x 40 cm wide. Finished banners need to be delivered to the office by the Friday before Pentecost, 26 May 2023. Banners will be on display from Pentecost through to Te Pouhere Sunday.

If you have any queries please contact Annette.

Can you contribute to the Lower Hutt Food Bank? They'd like our help.



Thank you for your continuing support.

The food bank has provided us with a list of items they require:

Reusable (fabric) shopping bags (no paper bags please)

Cereals Soup canned or packet Honey/peanut butter, Jams/Marmalade Vegemite/Marmite

Canned tomatoes and spaghetti
Canned Vegetables, Canned Meat
Canned Fruit, Dried Pasta and noodles
Cooking Oil, Coffee, Tea and Milo
Milk powder, Soap powder,
Sanitary products, Toothpaste, Hand soap

Let us use these reading of the day in our personal prayer time this week					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalm 68	Psalm 68	Psalm 68	Psalm 16	Psalm 103	Psalm 11
1-6	9-10,19-20	28-29,33-	1, 8-end	1-2,11-12,	4-end
John 16	John 17	end	John 17	19-20	John 21
29-end	1-11	John 17	20-end	John 21	20-end
		11-19		15-19	



Flower Guild - 27 May 2023

You are welcome to join us at the church between 10am and 12 noon, we will be sorting and updating the flowers. Ready for our Pentecost service on Sunday28 May 2023

Tax Receipts

Raewyn is in the process of preparing tax receipts for donations from April 2022 to March 2023. Some have started to be sent out and as work continues more will be sent out. Most should be sent out by the end of next week (19 May).

Printed receipts for those without email will be available after the 10:00am service or from the office during our usual office hours.

Please feel free to email Raewyn on business.support@stjames.net.nz if you have any questions about your tax receipt, but please be aware that the priority is to complete the work of getting all of the tax receipts out first.

Connect with us!









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Becoming an Eco-Church – Next Steps

Becoming an Eco-church was identified as a key area of focus in our Mission Action Plan process.

While we already have a long history of looking at how we can better care for the environment through tree-planting, informational displays and involvement in the annual Te Awa Kairangi river walk we want to go deeper as a community by becoming an Eco-Church.

Eco-Church <u>www.ecochurch.org.nz</u> have some excellent resources about how to get started and can offer support as we go through the process.

We need people of all ages, interests and levels of experience for this group – so if you want to look after our environment we need you!

To find out more contact Annette, email vicar@stjames.net.nz, 021 187 0727.



Refugee House Collection

Refugee families regularly arrive in Wellington (organised by New Zealand Red Cross) with no household belongings. The Catholic and Anglican Dioceses have taken the responsibility of supplying household goods of each family. The generosity of Parishioners from both churches has been absolutely amazing over the years. St James' and All Saints' generosity for our last collection in 2021, was very much appreciated.



The Diocese has approached Lower Hutt Anglicans (St James and All Saints), giving us the opportunity to collect the basic household goods for a new family of five, arriving in Wellington in approximately one month. Our list includes kitchen, pantry, bedding, linen, electrical items.

The list of items we need to collect by 18 June are at the back of the Church, please put your name beside an item.

If each family donated one item we would soon have the required list completed.

Donations of money are very welcome so we can purchase as many new items as possible. Please deposit into the St James bank account **BNZ 02 0528 0045901 00** reference 'Refugee House', or place a donation in an envelope marked 'Refugee house' through the Sunday collection plate. Can't get to Church, a donation could be an option for you.

Please give generously to this humanitarian project, to show that St James and All Saints are committed to making a better life for a new New Zealand family. If you have any queries please contact Margaret.

Thank you Rev. Annette Cater – Vicar

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Here is the link to the
Anglican Movement Diocese of Wellington, just log in
and you will be able to access all the up to date
information. https://anglicanmovement.nz

Parish Administration

Office Hours

Monday – office closed Tuesdays – Friday 10am – 12.30pm

If you have queries for our office staff, please contact them during office hours.

Contact Barbara in the first instance if unsure who is responsible for which area. 04 569 6737 ext. 800

Vicar availability

Rev. Annette Cater - Tuesday to Friday (day off Monday) 021 187 0727 - Text please

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DIARY THIS WEEK

Sunday 21 May 2023

8am Eucharist St James'
9am Family Eucharist All

Saints'

10am Family Eucharist and

Baptism St James'

Monday 22 May 2023

4pm Youth Choir

Wednesday 24 May 2023

9am Staff meeting at St

James'

7pm Choir Practice St

James

Thursday 25 May 2023

10am Chirping Cherubs in

the hall

10am Communion (BCP)

St James'

4pm Prayer and Praise

via Zoom

(1st, & 3rd Thursday Monthly

Meeting code – 875 3799 0691

Password – 981615)

Saturday 27 May 2023 8:30am Morning Prayer at St.

James'

Sunday 28 May 2023

PENTECOST

8am Eucharist St James

9am All Saints'

10am Family Eucharist St

James'

8am Prayers each week day

Via Zoom link: - 78232674706

Passcode: - Lambchops

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Reference:

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