

*The Anglican Parish of Lower Hutt
22 March 2026 / 5th Sunday in Lent*



'John 11:1-45 by the Rev Sarah Lea West | sarahleawest.art (2026)

NAUMAI, HAERE MAI! MALO E LELEI! TALOFA! 欢迎 (HUĀN YÍNG!)

Welcome all who are with us in person or online

Sentence: "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord; "whoever lives and believes in me shall never die."

John 1:25-26

Collect: God in Trinity,
Creator, Saviour, Giver of life and truth,
reveal the possibilities within us,
that we may attain to the fullness of our humanity.
Hear this prayer for your love's sake.
Amen.

Today's Readings: Ezek 37:1-14 Ps 130 Rom 8:6-11 John 11:1-45

The Gloria

**Glory to the Father and ' to the ' Son:
and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit;
as it was in the be'ginning is ' now:
and shall be for ' ever. ' A'men.**

Let us pray...

**for the following members of our
congregation this week:**

Ray Gilchrist, Jill Gazzard, Alan Boaden,
Daniel Luey, Mary Williamson

**Let us pray for those who mourn, and
those who have died:**

Rev John Terris, Martin Haua,
Ian Wood (Chris Frazer's son)
Penn Pattison



Offerings process at the Anglican Parish of Lower Hutt

We are using a cashless process and
encouraging parishioners to give via
electronic banking.

For those new to the parish or can only
donate with cash, please find the
wooden offering box located at the back
of All Saints' / St James' Church.

**When the donations are taken, the
presiding priest will acknowledge
ALL offerings, and volunteered time.**

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CHURCH**

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Prayers this week

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Let us pray.

God of life,
You know the pain of loss in our world.

You grieve with creation where it is
wounded.

Give us honesty to face what is dying,
and the hope to believe that renewal is still
possible.

Teach us to care for the earth with patience
and respect,
to work for healing where we can,
and to trust that even in decay, you are
bringing life.

May our choices honour the ground you
have tended,
and the creatures you have made our kin.

Amen

Prayer by Rev Sarah Lea West



<p align="center"><u>8am Eucharist, ANZPB, 404, St James'</u></p> <p>10am Combined Service at St James followed by AGM</p>	<p align="center"><u>10am Family Eucharist, St James'</u></p> <p>Presider Annette Cater</p> <p>Preacher Annette Cater</p> <p>Liturgist Allen Sutton</p> <p>Server Marielle Prisk</p> <p>Song 'What a beautiful name'</p> <p>OT Reader Lexia Copp</p> <p>Psalm '130 (Berkahn)'</p> <p>NT Reader Lexia Copp</p> <p>Gradual 'Great is the Lord'</p> <p>Gospel Helen Willberg</p> <p>Intercessions Lynne-Stella Hassett</p> <p>Offertory hymn 'Jesus, the joy of loving hearts'</p> <p>The Lord's Prayer Te Reo Māori</p> <p>Chalice Barbara Taylor</p> <p>Rosy Moar</p> <p>Bread Helen Willberg</p> <p>Agnus Dei 'Keith'</p> <p>Communion 'Goss: O Saviour of the world (CAB)' 'Have faith in God (Oh Lord, you lead me)'</p> <p>Family Time/ Notices</p> <p>Final Song 'Breathe on me, breath of God (157)'</p> <p>Dismissal</p> <p>Welcomers Isobel Barbery Alex van Zijl</p> <p>Sound Fiona Hall</p> <p>Vision Claire Pemberton</p> <p>YouTube Phil Mackenzie</p> <p>Morning Tea Heather Keith Susan Oxenbridge Liz Coates</p>
<p align="center"><u>9am Family Eucharist, All Saints</u></p> <p>10am Combined Service at St James followed by AGM</p>	
<p align="center">Daily Prayer (week days) 8am, via Zoom</p> <p align="center">Via Zoom link: - 78232674706 Passcode: - Lambchops</p> <p align="center"><i>Together we pray, Ka inoi tatou</i> https://anglicanmovement.nz/prayer-resources</p>	
<p align="center">Livestream of 10am Service https://www.youtube.com/@stjamesallsaintschurcheslo2568/streams</p>	

Family Time/ Notices

Readings for this week		Upcoming Parish Services
Mon 23	Susanna 1-9,15-17, 19-30,33-62 [or 41b-62] or Josh 2:1-14 Ps 23 John 8:1-11	Penn Pattison funeral 10.30am, Monday 23 March St James' Church
Tue 24	Num 21:4-9 Ps 102:1-3,16-23 Heb 10:4-10 John 8:21-30	Evensong, in honour of Martin Haa 5pm, Sunday 12 April St James' Church (more details to follow next week)
Wed 25	Isa 7:10-14 Ps 45 or 40:6-13 Heb 10:4-10 Luke 1:26-38	May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory
Thu 26	Gen 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-9 John 8:51-end	
Fri 27	Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:1-6 John 10:31-end	
Sat 28	Ezek 37:21-28 Canticle: Jer 31:10-13 or Ps 121 John 11:45-end	



Suzanne Duncan Service Sunday, 29 March, 10am St James' Church

This year's Suzanne Duncan Service is on Sunday, 29 March as part of our 10am Palm Sunday Service.

The Suzanne Duncan Scholars for 2026 will be presented to the parish.

Please keep them in your prayers.

Share the load, share the cost, share the joy!

In 2024 Allen and I started the concept of 'a note from the wardens.' It seems appropriate to add one more final edition...

This week we head towards our Parish annual general meeting and, for the first time, we have more nominations than positions that need to be filled so it will require us to vote. An indication surely that there is life in the parish and people are energised to participate in what is required to not only maintain but grow a busy parish.

For many in the parish the work required is unseen it is a mix of largely governance focussed on the vision we have in the action plan and then a minutiae of operational management i.e. systems and processes that keep the church humming, and yes there is sometimes a comment or feedback from parishioners asking 'why things are like they are'.

Our Vestry needs to be active in the life, work and worship of the parish, understanding the pressures parishioners face but with their minds clearly focussed on context, the possible, the needed, the expectations but more importantly how the combined skills of the vestry collaborate and support the Vicar and Wardens to lead in a cohesive and visible way.

The roles are not onerous, but they can be challenging, depending on the contributions from others and of course the relationships formed and those lost in the process. It requires thinking about the whole and being able to see a different perspective not simply replicating what used to be.

On reflection this week I would have to say the last two years have been the best of times and the worst of times. It is simply time to pass the rākau kōrero, (Māori talking stick) and challenge on...

I have valued the experience of working with Annette and Allen – our commitment to provide one voice has been a strong contribution. We have achieved much. I wish them both and the incoming vestry my support – I am committed to the parish and all it provides. Thank you for the opportunity to serve in this way.

Blessings

Lorraine

The 'retiring' Vicar's Warden.



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A DISNEY MUSICAL REVUE

24 March, 1.00pm and 6.30pm

25 March, 6.30pm

Little Theatre, Lower Hutt

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Book developed by Disney Theatrical Group
Music Adapted and Arranged by Patrick Sulken
Orchestrations by Patrick Sulken
Additional Vocal Arrangements by Britt Bonney

With song by (in alphabetical order):

Kristen Anderson-Lopez, Howard Ashman, Frank Churchill, Phil Collins, Mack David, Mikkel Eriksen, Sia Furler, Terry Gilkyson, Leigh Harline, Tor Hermansen, Al Hoffman, Elton John, Phillip Lawrence, Jerry Livingston, Robert Lopez, Alan Menken, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Larry Morey, Davy Nathan, Randy Newman, Tim Rice, Stephen Schwartz, Richard M. Sherman, Robert B. Sherman, Glenn Slater, Ned Washington, David Zippel

Director
Lindsey Rusling

Musical Director
Rowan Johnston

Choreographer
Allegra Canton



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Diocesan News



Chrism Service – 7pm, Monday 30 March, St Peter's on Willis

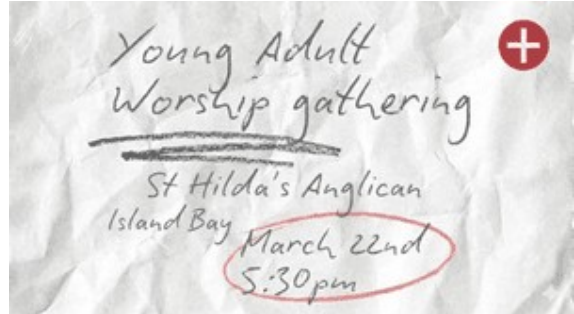
Join us for a beautiful service for clergy and lay to renew ordination and baptismal vows.

Let us spur one another on in our love and dedication to Jesus.

Young Adults Worship Gathering – 5.30pm, Sunday 22 March, St Hilda's Anglican

Young adults from across the Wellington Diocese are coming together on Sunday 22 March at St Hilda's Anglican in Island Bay.

There'll be worship music, real stories from local neighbourhoods, space for prayer ministry, and a message from Rev. Paul Fletcher.



Come hungry for God. Come as you are. Bring a friend. We can't wait to gather with you.

Ignatian Retreat at Tyburn Sunday 25 October 2026 4:00 pm – Saturday 31 October 10:00 am

Tyburn Monastery, 74 Dods Road, Waikite Valley 3077, Ngakuru, New Zealand

Take five full days to pause, reflect and pray with Scripture in the beautiful, peaceful setting of Tyburn Monastery. This retreat offers a precious opportunity to step away from the busyness of life. Other than an initial group session on Sunday evening and an optional group session on Friday evening, the retreat will be in silence, beginning with the Sunday evening meal.

Throughout the week you will receive daily individual spiritual direction. There will also be a daily Anglican Eucharist for those who wish to attend.

Retreat directors formed in Ignatian spiritual direction:

Rev. Kathy Orr-Nimmo, qualified through Loyola House, Canada.

Rev. Jenny Dawson, qualified through SEED and Te Wairua Mahi, New Zealand.

Accommodation: Tyburn Monastery provides comfortable individual rooms, all with en-suites, and there is a disability access room available. You can find more details about the facilities (with a map of how to get there) on their website.

Total cost: \$460.

For bookings or more information, please contact Kathy orrnimmo@hotmail.com or text 022 252 9929. Bookings close on 25 September, but limited places are available, and early booking is recommended.

Parish Notices

Holy Week Sign-up Sheets

St James' Church Cleaning and Holy Week service sign-up sheets are now available at the rear of St James' church.

Parish Easter Vigil sign-up sheets are available at both St James' and All Saints.



St James' Church Cleaning Bee

Saturday 28 March, 8.30am-12pm



Let's get St James' Church shining for Holy Week.
Bring your cleaning/work gear – we need your help to sweep, dust, mop, disinfect, scrub, wash, shine, polish, vacuum, tidy, weed and more!

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of St James'.

If you won't be free on the day but would like to help, contact Kathy Ingram ph. 021 105 5401 who has a list of activities that need to be completed.

Morning tea will be provided.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

ST JAMES' CHURCH HUTT CENTRAL

71 Woburn Road, Hutt Central

**SUN
29
MAR** Palm Sunday Eucharist, 8am
Family Palm Sunday, 10am

**TUE
31
MAR** Tenebrae - The Passion
7:30pm

**THU
2
APR** Chirping Cherubs
Easter Fun, 10am

**THU
2
APR** Foot Washing Service, 7:30pm
Prayer Vigil, from 9.30pm

**FRI
3
APR** Walk of Witness, 9:30am
(begins at St James')

**FRI
3
APR** Reflection Service, 12pm

**SAT
4
APR** Easter Vigil, 8.30pm

**SUN
5
APR** Easter Sunday Eucharist, 8am
Family Easter Sunday, 10am

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH BELMONT

6 Norfolk Street, Belmont

**SUN
29
MAR** Palm Sunday Eucharist
9am

**WED
1
APR** Holy Wednesday
Night Prayer, 7:30pm

**SUN
5
APR** Easter Sunday Eucharist
9am



Parish AGM
Sunday, 22 March, after 10am Service
St James' Church

The annual parish AGM is set for Sunday 22 March after the conclusion of the 10am Service. There will be no 8am or 9am Services that day. There will be a **combined parish service at 10am.**

Every two years, we have elections for **vestry, synod representatives** and **People's Warden.**

You need to be on the Electoral Roll to vote, nominate and stand for office.

If you are on the Electoral Roll you will have by now received the following:

- reports booklet
- updated financials
- list and profiles of nominees for Vestry, People's Warden and Synod representatives.

Please ensure that you have read all these documents prior to the AGM as all reports will be taken as read.



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TAIZÉ SERVICE

Sunday 22 March, 7pm
St James' Church

A prayer and reflection service using
Taizé chants

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PALM SUNDAY

Sunday 29 March
all services

Join us in marking the beginning of Holy
Week with Palm Sunday - a celebration of
Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem

Anglican Parish of Lower Hutt	DIARY THIS WEEK
<p>Vicar: Rev Annette Cater Vicar@stjames.net.nz 021 187 0727 – Text Please</p> <p>Priest Associate Rev Dr Kathy Orr-Nimmo orrnimmo@hotmail.com 022 252 9929</p> <p>Priest Assistants Rev Catherine Froud cfroud@stjames.net.nz 021 206 7566</p> <p>Rev Murray Wills mwills@stjames.net.nz 021 918 147</p> <p>Parish Wardens Lorraine Kilpatrick lorrainekilpatrick@gmail.com 021 901 259</p> <p>Allen Sutton allens1967@gmail.com 027 272 8886</p> <p>All Saints' Chairperson Jocelyn White the-whitehouse@xtra.co.nz 027 449 9068</p> <p>All Saints' Vestry Rep. Richard Perry richbloss@outlook.com 027 231 0160</p> <p>Director of Music Dr Jonathan Berkahn jonathan@berkahn.net.nz 021 0241 7233</p> <p>Worship & Communication Support worship.support@stjames.net.nz 04 569 6737</p>	<p>Sunday 22 March 10am Family Eucharist, St James' 11.30am Parish AGM 7.00pm Taizé Service</p> <p>Monday 23 March 10.30am Penn Pattison funeral 4pm Youth Choir, St James'</p> <p>Tuesday 24 March 1pm Lenten Study, St James Chapel 7:30pm Lenten Study, Kelson</p> <p>Wednesday 25 March 10am Staff Meeting, St James' 10am Lenten Study, Zoom 6pm Lenten Study, St James'</p> <p>Thursday 26 March 10am Thursday Eucharist, St James' Chapel 10am Chirping Cherubs, St James' 10am Palm Cross Making, St James' 6pm Lenten Study, Family Centre</p> <p>Saturday 28 March 8am Morning Prayer, St James'</p> <p>Sunday 29 March 8am Eucharist Service, St James' 9am Family Eucharist, All Saints 10am Family Eucharist, St James' Palm Sunday/Suzanne Duncan</p> <p>For the full events calendar visit: https://www.stjames.net.nz/infoodle-calendar</p> <p>Parish Office Hours 71 Woburn Road, Lower Hutt Tuesdays to Thursdays: 9am to 1pm</p>
 <p>All Saints Church 6 Norfolk Street, Belmont</p>	 <p>St James Anglican Church 71 Woburn Road, Lower Hutt</p>