



WARKWORTH ANGLICAN PARISH

WARKWORTH MATAKANA LEIGH KAIPARA FLATS SNELLS BEACH

In Touch

13th October, 2019

Today's services: **8.00am & 9.30am** Christ Church, Warkworth (HC);
 9:00am Snells Beach Community Service (HC);
 9.30am St Leonard's, Matakana (HC).

Sentence & Collect:

"The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him."
2 Timothy 2:11

**Life-giving God,
as we experience your healing,
may we proclaim your deeds,
and turn to you to offer thanks and praise;
through Jesus our Messiah,
who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen**

Welcome to our visitors

If you are visiting today, hello and welcome! Please relax and feel free to take part in the service as you are comfortable. Children are very welcome too (noisy ones included) and at the back of our churches in Warkworth and Matakana there is an area set aside for kids' activity (if they need it!). We know that there can be a lot to take in so if you have any questions, please ask. You can also go to our website or email the Office for more info.

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From the Vicar

Each Sunday we're invited to face the world outside our Church doors and then are dismissed with the words, "Go now to love and serve the Lord". The point is that following Jesus doesn't stop at the end of our Church services, in many ways that is the moment when it really starts!

This goes beyond our own personal walk of faith, our study and devotions, and extends to the ministry to which we are all called. What this ministry looks like will vary considerably for each one of us. But it will include not only the "official" things we might do in or on behalf of the Church but also the people we care for, the friends we visit, the activities we take part in, the work we do, the prayers we offer and the community groups in which we are involved. This is no small thing. As the Bible reminds us, we are Christ's witnesses and ambassadors in the world.

If this seems daunting, it is important to remember that mission and ministry is not something that we do alone but rather something which God is already doing - and into which we are invited to join. In his book *Vanishing Grace* Philip Yancey writes of a hospital chaplain who learnt what it means to join with God in ministry:

When she enters a room Susan assumes that, bidden or not, God is already present, 'We love because he first loved us,' she says, quoting John, 'and I picture God pouring from his pitcher into me so that I can pour out to others, and then be replenished with God's love... If I forget that God goes ahead of me, and think instead that I am *bringing* God into the room, I can have an air of smugness. I feel pressure to say the right thing, try to impress the patient and staff... I need the constant reminder that God precedes me in that room.

Every day of our week we have the opportunity to be ministers of Christ's gospel in the places we are, to the people we are with. But know that God is already there, working in ways we cannot see. So it is that we go out in the name - and the company - of Christ.

This week Bishop Jim formally wrote to the parishes in our Diocese advising us of his retirement as Assistant Bishop at the end of this month on medical grounds. A copy of his letter will be made available at the back of our churches. Please do keep Bishop Jim in your prayers, praying for his upholding and for his healing.

Peter

Warkworth & Mahurangi Churches combined service - 20 Oct

Next Sunday, **20 October**, the churches of our area are getting together for a combined service at **10am at Mahurangi College**. Please note that this will take the place of the Christ Church 9.30am service. All are welcome to come along and join in worship with our brothers and sisters from other denominations.

Children & Families ministry

The Parish is exploring what we can do to rebuild and grow our ministry to children and families. On **Saturday 19 October 10am - 12 noon** we will be having a meeting at the Warkworth Parish Hall for any who are interested to talk about ideas for ministry in this area. If you have been involved in or seen something in the past, come along to share your ideas.

Prayer Chain

If you wish to place a request for prayer, for yourself or others on the prayer chain, please ring Mary Starr - 09 425 5664. All prayers are confidential.

Pastoral Care Team

If you or anyone you know who is unable to attend church would appreciate a visit from a member of the Pastoral Team, please contact Rev Bob Howard on 027 562 0871 or bobhoward@xtra.co.nz

Sponsor a chair!

If you would like to sponsor one (or more) of the folding chairs being purchased for St Leonard's, you can place money in the offertory in an envelope or deposit it in the Parish bank account (02-0480-0021360-00). Please use the reference "Chairs" on your envelope or bank deposit.

Photos Wanted!

We'd love any really good photos you have of our Parish activities, people, buildings, local towns and countryside - for our new church website. Please send them to rohan@meuli.co.nz, and keep them coming! Thanks x

The week ahead:

Mon	14 Oct	9.30am	Selwyn Centre, Parish Lounge - WW
Tues	15 Oct	9:30am	Rhythm & Riggle, Parish Lounge - WW
Wed	16 Oct	10.00am	Holy Communion, Christ Church - WW
		10:30am	Faith & Friendship, Parish Lounge - WW
Fri	18 Oct	8.30am	Christian Meditation, Christ Church - WW
Sun	20 Oct	10.00am	Combined Church Service - Mahurangi College (NB: No 9.30am service at Christ Church)

Readings for 20th Oct:

Gen 32:22-31; Ps 121; 2 Tim 3:14-4:5; S. Luke 18:1-8

PARISH CONTACTS

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Some of our ministries

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Assisting Clergy: Rt Rev John Bluck, Rev John Blundell, Rev Malcolm Clague, Rev Iain Gow, Rev John Harris, Rev Dianne Hawken, Rev Bob Howard, Rev Leslie Steel, Rev David Stevens, Rev Bryan Taylor.

Regular giving to support the Parish can be done by using Donation Envelopes or by Automatic Payment (AP). If setting up an AP, please inform us and use the Warkworth Anglican Parish BNZ account: 02-0480-0021360-00