



WARKWORTH ANGLICAN PARISH

WARKWORTH MATAKANA LEIGH KAIPARA FLATS SNELLS BEACH

'In Touch'

15th September, 2019

Today's services: **8:00am & 9:30am** Christ Church, Warkworth (HC);
 9:30am St Leonard's, Matakana (HC);
 11:00am St Michael & All Angels', Leigh (HC);
 5:30pm St Albans, Kaipara Flats (*Taizé* style).

Sentence & Collect:

"And the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus."

1 Timothy 1:14

**Rejoicing God,
you pursue us more than we seek after you,
and tenderly exult when we find our life in you;
may we share in your delight,
and in your care for the lonely and the lost;
through Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd,
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

In last week's *In Touch* I noted that Bishop Jim White, who has recently been on sick leave, was the preacher at the opening night of Synod. Sadly he returned to Synod on Saturday to announce his retirement as Assistant Bishop in our Diocese. The Diocesan news explains further:

Bishop Jim White announced at Synod that he would step down from his episcopal ministry for medical reasons, at a time yet to be determined.

Bishop Jim preached at the opening service and returned to give the announcement on the final day of Synod, Saturday 7 September.

He told the 350 Synod representatives that the decision was "right for me and the diocese". He was aware that his illness over the last 18 months had put a greater load on the rest of the episcopal team and that he still had a long road to recovery ahead of him.

"The diocese needs to move on," he said.

Bishop Jim has been battling a rare form of lymphoma since the end of 2017 and recently began some new rounds of chemotherapy.

This Parish is very grateful to Bishop Jim for his care of our churches as Priest in Charge during the most recent interregnum. He also managed the process leading to my appointment as Vicar. That he did all this when already quite ill is a testament to his dedication to his ministry.

We will look for an appropriate way to acknowledge and give thanks for Bishop Jim's ministry to us when his retirement formally takes effect. In the meantime, please do keep him, his wife Jane and their family in your prayers. We pray that God will hold them all during these difficult days and of course we pray for healing and recovery.

Staying with the Diocese, we have been invited to take part in *Indaba 2*. *Indaba* is a Zulu word for an important conference. It has been adopted by this Diocese to describe networking events with other parishes. This year we have been asked to connect with our neighbouring parishes of Orewa and Whangaparaoa. We will be the first to host a group of visitors from both parishes on **Sunday 29 September** at the 9.30am service at Christ Church in Warkworth. It would be wonderful if many of you could attend to give our visitors a warm welcome.

Peter

St Alban's Sunday Crafts & Evening Service - Today!

Sunday Crafts is a lively time of craft, play, singing, Bible stories, chat and refreshments for preschool and primary children and their parents. **4-5pm today (Sun 15 Sept)** at St Alban's, Kaipara Flats. Followed at **5:30pm** (not 5pm as previously advertised) by a Taizé style evening service to which all are welcome to stay or come.

Choir Concert and Choral Evensong

On **Sunday 22 September** we are privileged to be hosting the St Andrew's Epsom Church Choir. They will be performing a concert at **2 pm in Christ Church** (tickets by donation at the door) and later joining us for **Choral Evensong at 4 pm**. Proceeds from the concert will be given to the Warkworth Christian Foodbank. Please spread the word!

Warkworth Methodist Womens' Fellowship

Members invited to the Hostess Afternoon, on **Thur 19th Sept - 1:30pm**, at the Warkworth Methodist Church. The speaker will be Edward Uini from the homeless charity Orange Sky New Zealand.

Kowhai Festival Tombola - Gifts, treats, jams and more needed

Please continue to bring your donations for the Tombola stand.

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

Tembo's Roar

Our own Iain Gow has written a wonderful book called *Tembo's Roar*. It is a story for children (but also good for grown-ups) about the lion Tembo and his intrepid adventures as he learns to trust and finds the power of love that conquers all despair. Some of the books will be available for purchase at Church over the next few weeks. The cost for each book is \$12 and Iain has graciously offered to give some of the proceeds to the Parish.

The week ahead:

Mon	16 Sept	9:30am	Selwyn Centre, Parish Lounge - WW
Tues	17 Sept	9:30am	Rhythm & Riggle, Parish Lounge - WW
Wed	18 Sept	10:00am	Holy Communion, Christ Church - WW
		10:30am	Faith & Friendship, Parish Lounge - WW
Fri	20 Sept	8:30am	Christian Meditation, Christ Church - WW
Sun	22 Sept	2:00pm	St Andrew's Choir Concert - WW
		4:00pm	Choral Evensong (with St Andrew's Choir) - WW

Readings for 22nd Sept:

Amos 8:4-7; Ps 113; 1 Tim 2:1-7; S. Luke 16:1-13

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