



# WARKWORTH ANGLICAN PARISH

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## *'In Touch'*

18<sup>th</sup> August, 2019

**Today's services:**    **8:00am & 9:30am** Christ Church, Warkworth (HC);  
                                 **9:30am** St Leonard's, Matakana (HC);  
                                 **11am** St Michael & All Angels (HC).

### **Sentence & Collect:**

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"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us."

*Hebrews 12:1*

**God of fire and water,  
your searing justice sets alight the earth;  
may we share Christ's baptism,  
even when it leads to pain and division;  
through Jesus, who lives and reigns with You,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

### **Welcome to our visitors**

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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.

[www.anglicanwarkworth.org](http://www.anglicanwarkworth.org)

## From the Vicar

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You will often hear it said that New Zealanders are early adopters. Apparently we embraced things like mobile phones, the internet and electronic banking earlier and in far greater numbers than in other nations. No doubt a small population helps in enabling us to roll out new technology quickly. But I have a theory that there is something in the national character that makes us willing to be adventurers, for it is part of our story. Think of the extraordinary journeys of Kupe and the seven waka that first brought people to Aotearoa. Or centuries later the voyages of Cook and then the adventurousness of the first missionaries or the early settlers. Even more recent migrants have chosen to move to what is still a pretty distant part of the world (did you know that Wellington is the world's most remote capital city). With such a lineage behind us, why should a new way of ordering pizza be a problem?

Of course as Christians we share another lineage, one that is itself full of adventure, courage, sacrifice. It is the lineage of faith. Over the last couple of weeks our Sunday readings from Hebrews have been reminding us about some of that lineage and what it means for us today to be a part of it. As one commentary explains:

Throughout chapter 11, Hebrews is telling the story of faith in the long-term perspective. The individual actors all have some idea that their lives are part of a bigger story and now, Hebrews is reminding us, it is our turn. Like all the great parade of heroes of faith, we have to be prepared to relinquish centre stage, and to see our lives as an episode in the great unfolding plot. That does not make us insignificant, any more than Abraham and Moses are insignificant, but it does change the perspective. This is not an individual sprint we are taking part in, but a relay race, where our job is to run and then pass the baton on safely.

We might not be cresting the deep swells of the Pacific in a waka hourua, watching the stars to bring us to land, but we are still adventurers. We are embarked on the adventure of faith, this wonderful journey of being willing to believe in God and walk with Him wherever he may take us. It is not our adventure alone, we are in good company. And while it is not always easy, it is surely an adventure worth taking.

*Peter*

## **Geoff Dowland**

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Geoff died last Sunday after a long illness. We surround Julie, Nicki and James with God's love and peace. May Geoff rest in peace and rise in glory.

## **Parish Movie Night: 'Amazing Grace' - Thursday 5th Sept**

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On Thursday 5 September we are holding a Parish Fundraising Event at the Matakana Cinema. The movie will be "Amazing Grace", a biopic of Aretha Franklin. Reviews call the film profoundly moving and extraordinarily soothing. The movie starts at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$20.00 each.

For further info & tickets contact Laura on 422-7653 or the Parish Office.

## **Parish Lunch**

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Thank you again to Vivian Pollock, Maggie Stansfield, Murray Pollock and Prue Dray and to all others who put together a wonderful Parish Lunch. Much fun and laughter - and tambourine playing!

## **St Leonard's**

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As agreed at our last group meeting, we talked about gathering the Sunday before Vestry meets. Our next meetings will therefore be after the services on August 25th, September 22nd and October 20th.

## **Pastoral Care Team**

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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](mailto:bobhoward@xtra.co.nz)

## **Kowhai Festival Tombola Stand - Bottles needed**

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As part of our Parish Fundraising we are running a Tombola stand at this year's Kowhai Festival. To make it a success we need bottles to give away. Please could you start bringing (full) bottles to Church or dropping them off at the Parish Office. They can be bottles of wine, lotion, oils – something that someone would like to receive. We need a good number so all donations needed!

## The week ahead:

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<b>Mon</b>	<b>19 Aug</b>	9:30am	Selwyn Centre, Parish Lounge - WW
<b>Tues</b>	<b>20 Aug</b>	9:30am	Rhythm & Riggle, Parish Lounge - WW
<b>Wed</b>	<b>21 Aug</b>	10:00am	Holy Communion, Christ Church - WW
		10:30am	Faith & Friendship, Parish Lounge - WW
<b>Fri</b>	<b>23 Aug</b>	8:30am	Christian Meditation, Christ Church - WW

## Readings for 25<sup>th</sup> Aug:

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Readings: Isa 58:9b-14; Ps 103:1-8; Heb 12:18-29; S. Luke 13:10-17.

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