



WARKWORTH ANGLICAN PARISH

WARKWORTH MATAKANA LEIGH KAIPARA FLATS SNELLS BEACH

'In Touch'

1st September, 2019

Today's services: **8:00am & 9:30am** Christ Church, Warkworth (HC);
 9:30am St Leonard's, Matakana (HC);
 11:15am St Albans, Kaipara Flats.

Sentence & Collect:

"For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid;
that foundation is Jesus Christ." *1 Corinthians 3:11*

**God of every generation that has been and is yet to be,
we praise and thank you
for those who have served and shaped
your Church beneath the Southern Cross;
in our day raise up prophets and visionaries,
to bring us new insights, new challenges
and renewed confidence in You
and in the Gospel of your Son,
through his name we pray. 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

This Sunday is the first of the month, meaning that we are officially allowed to say, “*I can’t believe it’s September already!*” This of course heralds the end of year “*I can’t believe it’s*” when we can’t believe it’s October, November and, finally, “*I can’t believe it’s nearly Christmas*”. (Of course Christmas is still a few months off, which probably means the shops will start advertising Christmas gifts and sales very soon!)

According to the meteorological calendar it is also the first day of Spring - welcome news after one of the wettest winters. Yet, although the days are getting longer and buds might be thinking about starting to sprout, it does not guarantee an improvement in the weather. If Spring is variable at the best of times, this year we are promised even more unsettled weather with the possibility of occasional polar blasts.

Perhaps then the joy of Spring is in the promise of what is to come. Buds on the trees herald the coming of new growth; warm afternoons foretell hot summer days; the light in the evenings reminds us that the darkness of winter is now behind us. Even when the weather is at its worst, the fact of Spring encourages us that summer might just be around the corner.

Christianity is a resurrection faith and as such there is something of Spring in what we believe. Yes there is much we celebrate in the present, in what God has done and is doing in our lives already. But how much more is there to look forward to when, as 1 Corinthians says, we shall finally see face to face! Our reading from Hebrews 12 last week gave us a hint of what it is that is promised: the city of the living God, the joyful assembly of thousands upon thousands, of being made perfect and full, of coming at last to God with Jesus at our sides. It is the promise of glory and it is more sure and certain even than the approach of summer.

This week our Diocesan Synod takes place. Please do pray for our Synod, and in particular our Parish representatives, Elaine Steele and Neil McEnteer. Pray that God will guide our Church in all that we discuss and inspire us with a vision of his mission.

Finally, let me say Happy Fathers’ Day to all to whom that applies. We give thanks for the wonderful dads in our lives.

Peter

Rita Rowsell

Rita Rowsell passed away last week at the grand age of 99. A longtime part of our Parish as a member of St Leonard's, her funeral will be 1pm Saturday **7 September** at Christ Church. May Rita rest in peace and rise in glory.

Movie Night - 'Amazing Grace' SOLD OUT!

Thank you very much for your outstanding support for this event - sorry to say, there are no more tickets available! Bring your Ticket this **Thur 5 Sept** at Matakana Cinema - Movie Starts at **6:00pm**. Arrive early for the raffle and use your Ticket at the Vintry to receive a discount on your beverage

Sponsor a chair!

Vestry is purchasing some folding chairs for St Leonard's to provide for overflow seating. If you would like to help defray the cost of these chairs (\$50 ea.) you can "sponsor" one (please use the reference "Chairs").

The LINK

Hard copies of Link are available at the back of the church for you to pick up (they were also emailed). If you know of someone who may have missed out, please let the Parish Office know and we will see that they get one.

Warkworth Methodist Womens' Fellowship....

...invites members to their 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 - Oils, lotions, jams and treats needed

We are no longer accepting (and will not be giving away) alcohol for the Tombola stand **BUT we still needs lots of prizes we can give away**. So please bring bottles of perfume, juices, oils, lotion etc OR nice jars of jams or treats which we can include on the stand. These can be left at Church or dropped off to the Parish Office. Proceeds from Tombola sales will go to support the ministry of the Parish. We need a good number so all donations welcomed!

The week ahead:

Mon	2 Sept	9:30am	Selwyn Centre, Parish Lounge - WW
Tues	3 Sept	9:30am	Rhythm & Riggle, Parish Lounge - WW
		2:30pm	Summerset Falls Service
Wed	4 Sept	10:00am	Holy Communion, Christ Church - WW
		10:30am	Faith & Friendship, Parish Lounge - WW
Fri	6 Sept	8:30am	Christian Meditation, Christ Church - WW

Readings for 8th Sept:

RCL Readings: Deut 30:15-20; Ps 1; Philemon 1-21; S. Luke 14:25-33

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