



# WARKWORTH ANGLICAN PARISH

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## *'In Touch'*

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

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

### **Sentence & Collect:**

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Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe.

*Hebrews 12:28*

**Redeeming God,  
you draw us all to you through love rather than law;  
set us free from any bondage, so we and all your children  
stand upright in the dignity you give us,  
praising you and proclaiming your wonders;  
through Jesus Christ our Mediator,  
who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. 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.

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## From the Vicar

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A while back a house I had lived in for two years ended being renovated on a series of *The Block NZ*. I confess I got quite invested in the show for that season. It was a little bit like being part of it; watching a place that was so familiar to me get torn apart and rebuilt. That was at least until the team renovating my old place made a series of shocking design decisions (does a small townhouse really need a butler's pantry?). I was left thinking I was lucky to have lived in the house in its pre-renovation, rundown state rather than its supposedly improved form.

If you don't know *The Block*, you might still be familiar with the basic genre of "reality" TV competitions. There seems little else on TV – sometimes even the same show for days on end. I assume this is because there is an insatiable demand for programmes showing people trying to cook a meal and then getting yelled at. Yelling, fighting and back-biting do seem to be the staples of this particular form of TV.

Presumably this is all great entertainment but I wonder if it is really the culture that we wish to be building. A study by two British academics, called *Belligerent Broadcasting*, suggested that reality TV had ushered in an "age of spite" that can now be seen in politics and public discourse.

Reading an article this week, I was reminded of the reverse. Of how God's intention is that the life of the Church, the life of Christians lived in the hope of Jesus, is meant to be its own reality show. One that reveals a different culture, the culture of heaven and not of earth:

The kingdom of Jesus operates as an upside-down economy. The first are last, the weak are strong, and the troubled are blessed. This way of life is hard to imagine. It is very different from our way of life. However, as members of Christ's body, unified to Him and each other, we participate in that upside-down economy. We no longer live for what we can take from others; we give abundantly. We no longer look for the ugly in our neighbour; we stubbornly seek their good... We live this way because we have been "raised with Christ". Our hope empowers us to pursue Christ's kingdom way of life here on earth, as it is in heaven.

*Peter*

## **Barbara Thomas**

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Barbara Thomas died this past Sunday. She and her husband Ray are longstanding members of this Parish and Barbara herself was very involved in the Church and the AAW. Her funeral will be on **Tuesday 27 August at 11am at Christ Church**, Warkworth. We offer our prayers of comfort for Ray and the rest of the family. May Barbara rest in peace and rise in glory.

## **Prayer Chain**

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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.

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

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Tickets still available! Is going to be a great event - movie starts at 6:00pm. Price is \$20.00 each (profits go to Parish Fundraising). Contact Laura on 422-7653 or the Parish Office.

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

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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!

## **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)

## **'Daughters' - Event**

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'Daughters you are Loved' - Women come and enjoy the afternoon with a much needed message, enjoy some delicious afternoon tea and crafting fun. Saturday 7 Sept, 2.30-4.30pm. Details on flyer on notice board

## The week ahead:

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<b>Sun</b>	<b>25 Aug</b>	11am	St Leonard's group meeting - Mat
<b>Mon</b>	<b>26 Aug</b>	9:30am	Selwyn Centre, Parish Lounge - WW
<b>Tues</b>	<b>27 Aug</b>	9:30am	Rhythm & Riggle, Parish Lounge - WW
		2:30pm	Summerset Falls Service (HC) - WW
		7:30pm	Vestry meeting, Parish Lounge - WW
<b>Wed</b>	<b>28 Aug</b>	10:00am	Holy Communion, Christ Church - WW
<b>Fri</b>	<b>30 Aug</b>	8:30am	Christian Meditation, Christ Church - WW

## Readings for 1st Sept:

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RCL Readings: Prov 8:1-13; Ps 126; 1 Cor 3:11-17; Matt 5:1-12

### PARISH CONTACTS

#### *The ministers of our Parish - every member of the congregation!*

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### Some of our ministries

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Rev Iain Gow, Rev John Harris, Rev Dianne Hawken,  
Rev Bob Howard, Rev Leslie Steel, Rev David Stevens,  
Rev Bryan Taylor.

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