



WARKWORTH ANGLICAN PARISH

WARKWORTH MATAKANA LEIGH KAIPARA FLATS SNELLS BEACH

'In Touch'

4th August, 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:

"So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God."

Colossians 3:1

**Generous God,
you give us many gifts to lead us into the fullness of life;
keep us from clinging to what is fleeting
and help us to hold firm to all that lasts;
through Jesus, the Way;
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

I wonder if you have heard about what is happening in Rochester Cathedral these days? This grand house of worship has existed since the year 604 AD and is home to the second oldest bishopric in England. As is the way of the world it takes a lot for a church so established and well settled in the local landscape to make news. But Rochester has managed it!

This (English) summer one of the many activities which the Cathedral is offering is a chance to play a game of bridge-themed mini-golf in the nave. There is some local connection here, a bridge has stood over the nearby River Medway since Roman times. The Cathedral itself suggests (rather hopefully) that in playing the game, people can “*reflect on the bridges that need to be built in their own lives and in our world today*”.

Cue almost universal derision. The idea, unfortunately, has not been well received. National newspapers have taken the Cathedral to task for being “confused”, “embarrassed” and simply missing the point of sacred spaces. Knowing the battle churches often face to encourage people to step over our threshold I have a certain sympathy for the Rochester Dean and Chapter. But I think one columnist inadvertently hit the nail on the head when he suggested that, rather than setting up a golf course inside the cathedral, it would be much bolder to erect a temporary cathedral in the middle of the fairway at Royal St George’s.

Now I am not suggesting that we try and build a sanctuary on the 18th hole of the Omaha Beach Golf Club - that would seem sure to provoke a certain hostility, not to mention some well aimed slices. But the point is that our calling as a Church is as much about our going out as it is our coming in. Yes we are meant to gather: to fellowship, to worship, to encounter God’s presence. But then we are meant to go out in the power of that presence to carry God’s love into the world.

More often than not that going out will simply be going back to our neighbourhoods, our jobs, our communities - but going in a willingness to let God use us to reach those around us. Being willing to pray for our neighbours, to offer love or care to someone in need, to speak of what God is doing in our lives at this time in this season; to listen to God prompting us to reach out. In this way, we can all be cathedrals on the fairway.

Peter

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.

The LINK 😊

The next issue of LINK is due out at the beginning of September. The theme this time will be '*Prayer*'. Contributions to Alan Cocker by Monday 12th August please, at aldacocker@gmail.com

G&T group

God & Talk resumes on **14 Aug**, St Leonard's church **2pm-3:30pm**. Everyone is warmly welcomed. Contact Delwyn (422 6201) or Laura (422 7653).

Selwyn Centre

Guest places still available for monday Selwyn Centre - for fun, exercise & morning tea, at Christ Church Parish Lounge. Call Bridget on 022 510 2921.

Parish Lunch - Come join us for Food & Fellowship

Parish Lunch **Sat 10th Aug, 12noon** at the Bridge Club Community Rooms, Alnwick St, Warkworth - Come to enjoy food and fellowship. Please bring a plate of finger food to share and BYO drinks. You can RSVP on the list at the back of Church (or email the office) so we know how many to set-up for. If you do forget to sign up, don't let that stop you from turning up :-)

Thank you for Giving!

Thank you to all who responded to our Stewardship Campaign, it is greatly appreciated. We will keep you updated on how the Parish is tracking on its budget. If you are still considering how to respond, it is never too late!

Prayer for the Church

Our monthly prayer meeting will be on **Thur - 8 August, 7pm** gathering at Christ Church, Warkworth. Please join with us as we pray together for our Parish, our community and our mission.

The week ahead:

Mon	5 Aug	9:30am	Selwyn Centre, Parish Lounge - WW
Tues	6 Aug	9:30am	Rhythm & Riggle, Parish Lounge - WW
		2:30pm	Summerset Falls Service
Wed	7 Aug	10:00am	Holy Communion, Christ Church - WW
		10:30am	Faith & Friendship, Parish Lounge - WW
Thu	8 Aug	7:00pm	Parish Prayer Meeting, Christ Church - WW
Fri	9 Aug	8:30am	Christian Meditation, Christ Church - WW

Readings for 11th Aug:

Gen 15:1-6; Ps 33:12-22; Heb 11:1-3, 8-16; S. Luke 12:32-40

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Rev Iain Gow

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