



PARISH WEB

March 2023

St. George's Anglican Church

Gate Pā, Tauranga.



Colouring

A poem by John Heberton (Easter 2022)



In the grey dawn
we wait in grief
held in the
colourless
angst of our world
shadowed by
the lifeless cross.
A moment of
recognition
a gasp
surrounded by
disbelief
faithful disciples
preach the
resurrection.
In the grey
colourless dawn
hope and life
colour the new
day.
Which then do I
choose
as I step into all
that
dawn brings.



Vicar's Blog

Peace and all good

Grace and peace to you all.

As I write this it is three years since covid circled our borders and led to our first lock down. It has been a tough three years full of uncertainty and fear but compared to many other countries we have done pretty well. As churches we have learned to adapt. One of the joys lately has been offering many of the services and events we have struggled to offer over that time like all our Christmas services without restrictions. But we take our learnings with us. We will never go back to how things were in 2020 again, which is a good thing.

We have also had to think about our place in our communities. Cyclone Gabrielle's trail of destruction across two thirds of our diocese, plus the damage done in other places combined with all the other rain events continues to ask what the place of the Anglican Church is in communities suffering so much pain? What does the gospel offer people in our community facing so much uncertainty? Good questions for us as we face our own uncertain future.

With all that we celebrated Christmas and the coming of the Eternal Word as a helpless baby through whom God brings in God's reign of justice and peace for all people and all creation. In our lecture series we offered some ideas of what that might mean for us as we continue to struggle with how to live as Māori and more recent arrivals, Pakeha included, and where Te Tiriti o Waitangi fits in all this. Thank you to Cliff Simons and Alistair Reece for your wonderful and helpful talks. We now look to remembering the Battle of Gate Pa all that means for ngā iwi o Tauranga Moana on April 29th.

Before Lent we spent some time on Sundays looking at the Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's gospel. We have spent Lent hearing the stories of some who have lived the beatitudes with persistence, people like Dorothy Day and Florence Li Tim-Oi. We have been invited to reflect on who inspires us to live persistently, and how this parish helps us. In Lent we are invited

to reflect on what practices and attitudes we need to let go of, that inhibit our living persistently; and what practices and attitudes we might need to cultivate. The conversations after the sermon, and the Lenten Studies all provide an opportunity for us to talk about these things and to grow as a result. Each year we are invited to support the Foodbank the Anglican Board of Missions Lenten Appeal. This year we are invited to support one of the Gabrielle Relief Funds.

From Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday we are offering extra events and services to help us fully enter into and stay with the story of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, last days with his disciples, arrest, trial, crucifixion and resurrection. We are invited to move slowly and allow them rub our sense of who we are like sandpaper. In particular we offer an opportunity to experience the stations of the cross from 12 to 3pm on Good Friday. You are all invited to come and take the time you need to talk through the stations. Holding that experience, we are invited into the Season of Easter which traditionally begins with the Eight Days of Easter – from Easter Sunday to the next Sunday. Eight is about new starts, abundance, and resurrection. Like those baptised into a new identity long ago, these eight days offer us a chance to restart living as beloved children of God and persistently living God's generosity, love, and mercy for all creation.

Last weekend we held our AGM; an opportunity to give thanks for all God did through us last year and to look ahead to the opportunities of the new year. Thank you, Clark and Faye, and to the rest of the vestry for your hard work over this last year. These have been a hard few years, and they have worked tirelessly. Thank you especially to Patricia Price who retired from vestry this year. Welcome to Terry Estment. I am also grateful to Ainsley and all those involved in the pastoral care, and to Debbie who is offering such a life-giving ministry at this time. And I am very grateful to Charmaine McMEnamin's ministry among us.

Later this year I am having three months on sabbatical while I attend my last Franciscan meeting, this time in England, and Bonnie and I attend two courses in Israel. With the wardens I am working on ensuring that we have cover for the Sunday services and that the parish will continue to run smoothly over this time. May this Lent and Easter be seasons for taking time to rest in God's life-giving presence and to hear the invitation to live persistently the way of the Beatitudes. May we be people of hope, living generosity and aroha for all.

John Hebert PSSF.

Vestry Notes...

Many of you will have noticed the recent scaffolding around our buildings. The repairs to the roof of the Hall and linkway have been completed and painted.



The next **Senior Chef** begins on Wednesday 29th March. Contact me if you would like to take part as there are a couple of vacancies still. See the ad in the magazine.

Lenten Studies are underway following the 10:00 service. We are using a resource called *A Holy Church: Becoming the Communities We Are Called to Be*.

The AGM was held on Sunday 12th March after the 9am service. The elected vestry members are: Andrea Andresen, David Elliott, Terry Estment, Cliff Simons, Paula Simons and Peter Williams. Peoples' Warden is Faye Mayo and Vicar's Warden is Clark Houltram. Patricia Price has stepped down from vestry and was thanked for her contribution.

To all who volunteer their time in carrying out the many duties and tasks at Church and at Centrepont,
A Big Thank You.

Faye Mayo
Peoples' Warden

From the Register

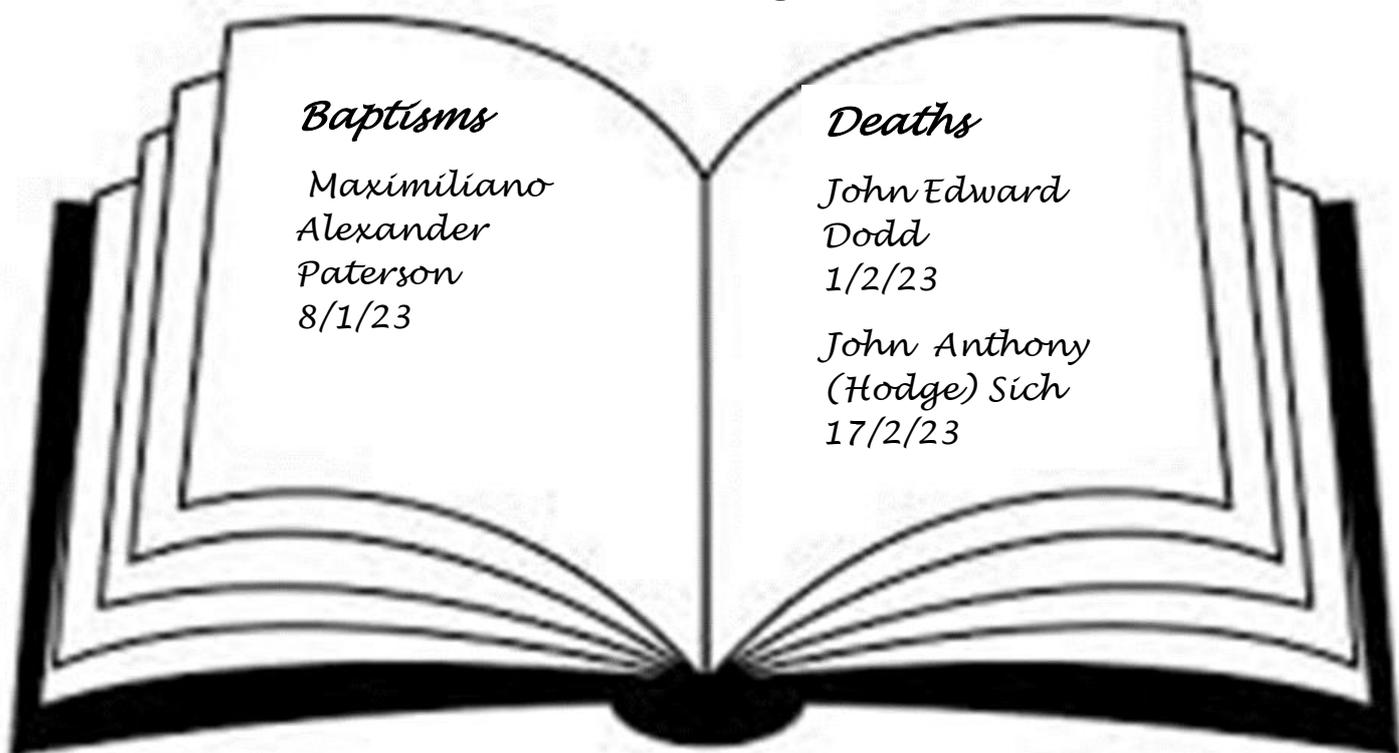
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CENTREPOINT CATCH UP

Although Christmas seems like a distant memory, with all that has happened already this year, I would like to share some of the moments from the Centrepont Volunteers Christmas Lunch.



Just about everyone got into the spirit of the Christmas hat decorating competition, and some people went all out and came up with some very festive creations. The top five were chosen and then it was put to the vote, Patricia Price was crowned our winner, Shirley Scott second and Maisie Trezona third.

Faye Mayo organized a Christmas quiz for us. This was also great fun, even if a few of the teams cheated, you know who you are! This was won by John Hebenton's team, and everyone said "of course his team would win!" This once again brought out the competitive side of some, but it was all in good Christmas spirit. The whole event went well if a little bit chaotic at times and as usual the food at the Oak Tree restaurant was fabulous.

Just before Christmas two of our volunteers competed in the National Special Olympics held in Hamilton. Thomas Dow competed in indoor bowls and Anna Dunston in the swimming. They were both very successful bringing many medals, including golds, home with them. We are all very proud of their achievement. Just competing in a competition of this size must be quite daunting. Well done you two!

Kate Heselden

Manager Centrepont Opportunity Shop.



Patricia Price, Maisie Trezona and Shirley Scott

Merivale Whānau Aroha Centre

Two weeks ago was a bittersweet day for our Merivale Whānau Aroha community. While we gathered to celebrate our fifteenth birthday as we do every year, the day coincided with the farewell of our visionary manager Saskia Dean.

Saskia has worked tirelessly to build up our centre over the last fifteen years to be a true taonga of our community. Saskia has gone above and beyond to develop a culture of compassion, with the bar set firmly at excellence. This was reflected by our community gathering in great numbers to acknowledge her work, and celebrate the impact she has made on us all. We collectively see her off with our blessing and understanding that is now time for her to reach new heights.

Saskia's enthusiasm and passion for excellence and innovation in education will be a sure asset to the Ministry of Education. It is comforting to know that our wider educational community in the Bay of Plenty will benefit, just as we have, from the drive and commitment Saskia brings to every project that comes her way.

Saskia, our mentor and our friend, you have cemented yourself in the whakapapa of our centre. You leave a lineage of kaiako, whānau and ākonga who have received your compassion, been led by your integrity, inspired by your vitality, and have been empowered by the reciprocal respect you facilitate.

Love and gratitude forever, from us all at Whanau Aroha



Saskia Dean and MP Jan Tinetti

Church Happenings

Christmas Carol Service



Geoff Barker, Clark Houltram, James Mollinson, John Hebenton, Faye Mayo, Anne-Marie Kennedy, Margie Mollinson, Kate Grimwald, Helen O'Connor, Maggie McIntosh, Bonnie Hebenton, organist Jeremy Whimster

It rained all week. However, against all predictions it was a beautiful fine afternoon on Sunday Dec 18th and our Carols on the church lawn went ahead.

The St George's choir, led by Bonnie Hebenton, makes this annual service special. Approximately eighty people gathered on chairs and blankets to enjoy the music and the supper provided afterwards.

Helen O'Conner, one of the altos in the choir commented, "Bonnie finds beautiful music from around the world as well as some old favourites. It's always a lot of fun to be part of. This year it was nice to have some new faces join us, Anne-Marie Kennedy and Geoff Barker."

It was also great to see children involved in the service. Carys Barclay played the piano accompaniment for the carol "Star Child" while her younger brother Theodore, did a reading.

Thanks to all choir members for the effort and enthusiasm. We very much appreciate it. A special thanks to Bonnie for the research, thought and organization behind the evening's programme.

It was a wonderful evening.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

On Shrove Tuesday, the night before Ash Wednesday, 23 adults and 5 children gathered together in the church lounge to share a pancake dinner. We had savoury pancakes and salad, followed by sweet pancakes with all kinds of delicious drinks. People lingered longer and many good conversations were had. A sincere thanks to all those who 'slaved over a hot stove' to make the pancakes, and to the helpers in the kitchen on the night. It was well worth it!



First Aid Course

On Saturday 11th March 19 people from St George's Church, Centrepont and The Seafarer's Mission participated in a full-day First Aid course run by the Red Cross. The course title was *Save a Life*, the idea being that we should be able to provide some sort of lifesaving first aid until more qualified help arrives. For some it was new information and skills but it was a refresher for most. It was an informative and enjoyable day with lots of practice doing CPR, bandaging and quick physical interventions. We now have more people with some idea of what to do in a medical emergency. Our First Aid Kit is on the kitchen bench and there is an AED (defibrillator) on the wall beside the office door.



John Hebenton, Cliff Simons and Sandy Houltram

Happy New Year – and welcome to Matthew

A new church year started on Advent Sunday 27 November. We began then a year in which most of our Gospel readings for Sunday Eucharist come from the Gospel of Matthew. This is known as Year A in the Lectionary, and there are also set Old Testament and Epistle readings.

So what do we know about Matthew's Gospel?

It's the first book of the New Testament, but not the first one to be written (most of the epistles are earlier). The author was likely a Jewish Christian, anonymous, but it's attributed to Matthew the tax collector. It was written around 80-100CE (mid 80s?), in Palestine or Syria – possibly Antioch. The context reflects a time of tension between Jews and Jewish Christians amid a growing Gentile mission.



What do we get in Matthew?

- LOTS of teaching – but very few healing stories
- Parables – including some only in Matthew (bridesmaids, last judgement)
- An Infancy Narrative which focuses on Joseph (not Mary as in Luke)
- Fulfilment citations “this was to fulfil”
- Mountains

There's a focus on Jesus as teacher, and a careful arrangement of five blocks of alternating narrative and teaching sections (“the five great sermons”). One of these is **the Sermon on the Mount** (chapters 5-7), which talks a lot about the character and ethos of Christians – what we're called to be like. “Righteousness” characterises the kingdom and the people who will enter it, for example in the Beatitudes: “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness.” This is linked to the God-given law of the Old Testament, and there's an implicit idea of Jesus as the new Moses, teaching and talking about the law, and who, in fulfilling the law, brings a higher righteousness.

Being Disciples The Church has, for centuries, viewed Matthew as a primary handbook on discipleship and church life – instructions for how God wants people to live. There's some practical advice about putting Christian faith into practice in

our everyday lives. It also deals with questions of moral behaviour and the importance of ethical obedience. Jesus is teaching us how to live the life expected of those who are faithful to God. Righteousness and holiness aren't about being 'separate' but about love, generosity, and mercy. Disciples aren't called to be doormats, but to respond actively to those who may be hurtful, by showing them the love of God. Ultimately the instruction that "if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also" (Matt 5:39) is about courageous action, not capitulation. Another person's lack of goodness mustn't have power to shape disciples' attitudes or actions.

Being Church

Matthew is the only Gospel to mention "the church" (*ekklesia*), the word used in the Greek translation of the Old Testament to refer to the people of Israel when gathered together.¹ There's a connection between the new group "church" with the historic people of God: the story and people of Israel continue in the story of Jesus and the Church. There's material on forming and maintaining a community, and how the church should make decisions and regulate its membership – which means lots on forgiveness and conflict resolution. We are called to live in a way that pleases God in the context of a strong and supportive community of disciples.

A message of hope

Matthew reminds us about the abiding presence of God: the Gospel begins with "Emmanuel" – God is with us, and ends with the promise that "I am with you always, to the end of the age." God is present in Jesus, Jesus is present in the Church, and the Church is present in the world, an assembly of missionaries who are salt and light. This is profoundly hopeful. Another sign of hope for us is the mixture of worship and doubt (Matt 28:16-20): even those who aren't quite sure about it all are still entrusted with mission. We don't have to "have it altogether" for God to use us.

The teaching in Matthew is that "the family of God is called to reflect the character of God."

How are we doing at this?

How far do our communities reflect God's character?

The Rev'd Deborah Broome

Ministry Educator's Newsletter Dec 2022

¹ 16:18 'on this rock [Peter] I will build my church' 18:17 'if the member refuses to listen, tell it to the church'



St George's Anglican Church

Holy Week and Easter Service Details

Palm Sunday 2nd April

8.30 am and 10.00 am Communion Service

7.00 pm Taizé Service using the Stations of the Cross. Come and join us for a quiet contemplative service based on the style and music of the Taizé Community in France.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

5.30 pm Short Holy Week Communion Service.

Maundy Thursday 6th April

5:30 pm Shared meal. Please bring a plate of simple foods – hardboiled eggs, flat breads, tomatoes, fruits, cheese etc.

7.00 pm Tenebrae - Service of Shadows.

Good Friday 7th April

9.00 am Reflective Service

10:00am -12:00 noon Walk of Witness

12 noon- 3.00 pm 3 Hour Quiet Interactive Service—come at any time and stay as long as you like.

Easter Sunday 9th April

8.30 am Communion Service

10.00 am All ages Communion Service with reaffirmation of baptismal vows



St George's Anglican Church

EASTER SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY 6TH APRIL

TENEBRAE SERVICE 7PM

GOOD FRIDAY 7TH APRIL

REFLECTIVE SERVICE 9AM

INTERACTIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS 12PM - 3PM

COME AT ANY TIME AND STAY AS LONG AS YOU LIKE

EASTER SUNDAY 9TH APRIL

EUCCHARIST 8.30AM

ALL AGES COMMUNION 10AM



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Taize Services 2023

7pm 2nd April – Palm Sunday

7pm 18th June

7pm 6th August

7pm 3rd December - Advent





N.J.B

Senior Chef is an 8-week cooking and lifestyle class for over 60's where you can learn, or improve on, your practical food and nutrition skills. It's a social, informative, and hands-on class, all focused-on cooking for one or two people. And it's **FREE** !



Wednesday 29th March-17th May 2023

@ St Georges, Gate Pa

10.00am –1.00pm

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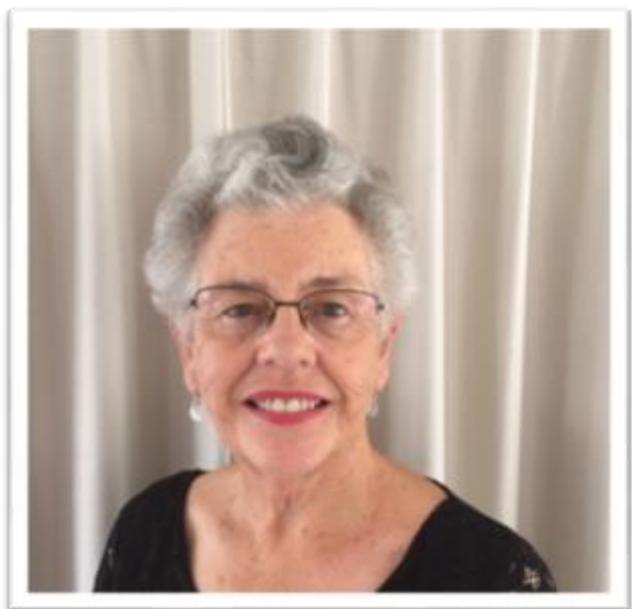
Do Say the 'D' Word

This was the heading of an article in the NZ Listener in January written by palliative care doctor Amanda Landers. When I read it I said “Yay” with my thumbs up, even though I was at home alone!

Landers began her article by saying, and I quote, “the Queen died last year. She did not depart, become lost or pass away to some nebulous entity in the ether. She simply died – of old age...” The point of her article was to challenge us to use the word ‘died’ instead of the euphemism ‘passed away.’ The increased use of ‘passed away’ has bothered me for a long time. Trees don’t pass away, they die! We all need to face the fact that we will die.

I was so pleased with Amanda Landers' excellent article I wrote a thank you to her via the NZ Listener's letters to the editor which was published the following week. In my letter I said that we can make it easier for our families if we take the initiative while we are still alive and of sound mind, to prepare for the day we die. We can do this by having an up to date will, a care plan, and by planning our funeral. I was speaking from the experience of having my mother, at the age of 76, killed in a car accident, and having no idea what she would have wanted for her funeral.

As a result of all the above I am happy to offer my services to anyone who would like help to prepare an outline of what they would like for their funeral. It could contain things like the hymns/music you would like played, a poem that means a lot to you, the photo you would like displayed, etc. It's also helpful if your family knows all your details and whether you want to be cremated or buried, and if the latter, where. Advance planning of a funeral can seem macabre, but in the case of a sudden death it will save our families a huge amount of stress.



Debbie Garrett

In Praise of Mothers-in-Law

Mothers-in-law are often the butt of many a misogynist joke; I want to challenge this image. This is a personal story.

I had the most amazing mother-in-law in Kay Mayo, a practising Quaker. She was not only my husband's mother, but became my mentor in my newly chosen field of Early Childhood Education. Even when I was no longer married to her eldest son, our relationship continued to grow stronger, in some aspects closer than I was to my own mother.

There is a wonderful example of this positive relationship in the Old Testament book of Ruth, between Naomi the mother of Ruth's husband Boaz, an Israelite, and Ruth a Moabite. The story tells that when all the men in the family died, Naomi encouraged her two daughters-in-law, Ruth and Orpha, to return to their own countries. Orpha left but Ruth remained. The famous words of Ruth's devotion are found at the conclusion of this article.

After I was divorced, Kay and Dick divided their large house into two flats, one for them and the other for Tabitha and myself. I was employed in her private kindergarten, Crofton, and with her encouragement began ECE training. I ran the centre for six months after she was no longer able to teach due to ill health. Her support while I was at Training College studying primary education included caring for Tabitha after school. This was invaluable for me and special times for Tabitha and both her grandparents. I would not have become an educator but for Kay's mentorship and professional guidance. It was also my privilege to help care for her in her last days.

The final chapter makes it clear that Ruth deeply loved, trusted and respected her mother-in-law. Naomi felt the same. Such was our relationship. This is why I have always had such an affinity for the story of Ruth.

*"For wherever you go, I will go
And wherever you lodge, I will lodge
Your people shall be my people
And your God, my God.
Where you die, I will die
And there I will be buried.
The Lord do so to me, and more also,
If anything but death parts you and me."*

New King James Bible Ruth 1:16,17

Faye Mayo - Peoples' Warden

A Trip to Wellington

On the 16th of February I was invited to Wellington for the dedication of a plaque, which will eventually be part of a commemoration of the New Zealand seafarers who lost their lives in the Second World War, arranged by the Merchant Navy Guild and Mission to Seafarers.

It was to be dedicated by Her Royal Highness, the Princess Royal, Princess Anne as part of her trip to New Zealand to commemorate the centennial of the New Zealand Royal Corps of Signals.

Princess Anne is the patron of several New Zealand and international organisations with representation here in New Zealand, including Riding for the Disabled and Mission to Seafarers.

I am the Chair of the Oceania Regional Committee of Mission to Seafarers and it was in that capacity that I was invited to Wellington.

The Wellington Mission had to relocate from its premises after the Wellington earthquake, due to significant damage, and is now located adjacent to the wharf in a portacom complex. It was to this complex the Princess was to visit to unveil a korowai gifted to the mission by the local iwi.

Prior to the Princess's arrival the centre was visited by several plain clothes personal protection officers and an explosives dog, looking in every cupboard, under every chair and even in the printer. The army officers removed a box of condoms, deemed to be inappropriate and put it into a cupboard!!



The Princess and her husband, Sir Tim Laurence, were greeted by Richard Lough

the chair of the Wellington mission, Rev Lance Lukin the centre chaplain and two people from the Port Company and me, together with the two staff ship visitors.



Unveiling the korowai

The captain and chief engineer from a log ship in port were introduced to the royal party, before she unveiled the glass case containing the korowai.

As a memento of appreciation to Her Royal Highness, the centre presented a gift box of 27 Seconds wine. The

wine is produced in New Zealand and all the profits go to an anti-slavery organisation. The title is based on every 27 seconds throughout the world someone is sold into slavery.

Tim, while making the presentation, said the title did not mean you had to drink it in 27 seconds! The Princess does not drink wine but Sir Tim was quick to accept!



Presenting the wine

From there it was off to the Wellington Cathedral for the dedication of the plaque. Again several members of the participating organisations were presented to the Princess, but having already met her we were asked to stand back as other members were introduced.



Richard introducing MTS representatives



Unveiling the plaque



Rev Lance Lukin escorting the Princess

In the evening we were invited to Government House for the Royal Corps of Signals reception. I had never been to Government House before. While the reception was for the army corps in the main hall we were allowed into the Blundell room to meet the Governor General Dame Patsy Kiro and her husband Dr

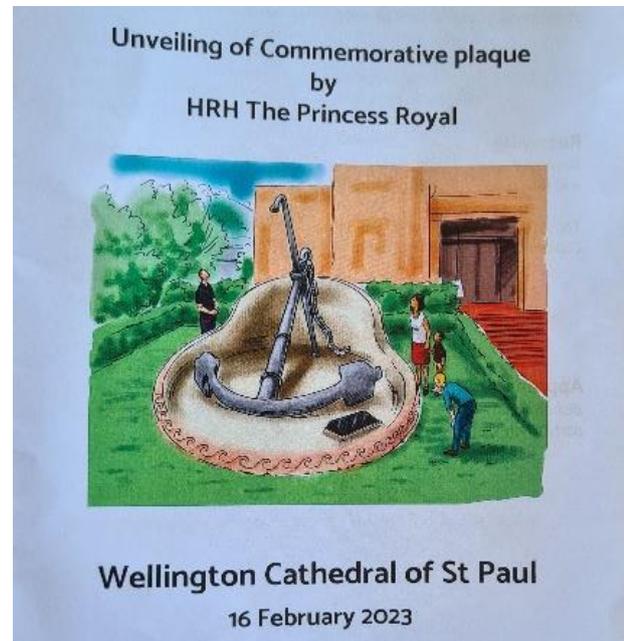
Richard Davies. While talking to

Dr Davies we found out although he is an MD, he started as a deck cadet with the Blue Star shipping line in the UK, the same time as Richard Lough the Wellington centre chair – small world.

The amazing artwork in Government House was well worth the time looking around.

Her Royal Highness was very approachable and very down to earth. She was happy chatting to everyone and Sir Tim had to be stopped chatting and ushered into the other room for the unveiling. He would have still been talking now.

Clark Houltram



Artist's impression of the memorial

Book review

'A PILGRIMAGE OF PARADOXES'

by Rev'd Dr Mark Clavier

A Backpacker's Encounter with God and Nature.

A new book from Greerton Library.

Published in 2022, this slim book is packed with deep reflections as the author hiked through ancient nature trails within remote areas of Wales. The author is the resident Canon of Brecon Cathedral, UK.

Clavier encountered God and nature as he walked with his companion dog, in ways that brought 'a profound peace' yet which caused him to see the paradoxes of being within time amid timelessness; of being in places thick with layers of history yet with an aura that seemed beyond any and all past human existences, happenings, stories. He experiences an eternal silence present even amid the sounds of Nature; the paradox of wonder and the commonplace; and how this relates to Incarnation, Baptism and the Eucharist.

The reader goes on "a mountain pilgrimage with poets, philosophers and spiritual writers as guides" wrote one theologian.

I recommend this book as one that spiritual New Zealanders will align with - for these ancient southern landscapes can, and do, speak to our seeking spirits in a similar, challenging way.

Glenn Barclay.

Anglicans Mobilise Cyclone Response

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia has responded with prayer and planning in the wake of widespread devastation caused by Cyclone Gabrielle.

Anglican Archbishop Philip Richardson has joined with the newly formed Anglican Cyclone Gabrielle Response Group 'Hāpaitia' in the following statement responding to the devastation caused by this week's massive rainstorm.

Along with all of Aotearoa New Zealand we are shocked at the tragedy that is unfolding in the wake of Cyclone Gabrielle.

Never before have we seen a storm of this magnitude endanger and displace so many people across such large areas of Aotearoa.

At this distressing time we pray for all those affected by the Cyclone and especially for grieving families who have lost loved ones in this storm.

We pray for people working in or supporting emergency services, distributing essentials in areas isolated by flooding, broken roads or bridges and for those offering hospitality and support to people affected by the Cyclone.

We pray for all of our church whānau and the communities where they minister, particularly those that have lost homes or livelihoods, or who await news of people who have still not made contact.

We give thanks for all those who have been saved from peril in this storm and for all those who are helping to ensure people are staying healthy and safe right now.

We call our communities and church whānau to keep safe and follow the advice of people in emergency services and the agencies coordinating emergency response.

As the storm passes we know that many in our churches, schools and families living in the hardest hit zones will be struggling to bear the weight of what has happened.

Know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. You do not have to face this alone.

As Paul says in his letter to the Romans, “we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.” You are a member of the body of Christ, and we are here for you.

The Church recognises that our faith calls us to respond to human need through prayer and through action.

Drawing on the strengths of our Church we have established a new group named Hāpaitia: The Anglican Cyclone Gabrielle Response Group. The title Hāpaitia means to lift up, to support, to share a burden.

Hāpaitia will commit to whakamana* communities so that they in turn can uplift ‘Te Oranga Ake’ – that is, help rebuild flourishing whānau, communities and environments.

Hāpaitia will focus on four key areas:

- providing support for Wairua (spiritual, pastoral and theological support),
- Tinana (care for physical and structural wellbeing),
- Pūtea (financial aid) and
- Kōrero (communications and storytelling).

This pledge stands not only for the following days and weeks, but throughout the journey to recovery.

In a first step toward practical support, the Anglican Church's St John's College Trustees confirmed today they will release \$250,000 in emergency funds for immediate deployment on Cyclone Gabrielle response.

Anglican aid and development staff will help coordinate the Church's financial and operational response to Cyclone Gabrielle as part of the wider Hāpaitia response.

The Anglican Church has launched a Cyclone Gabrielle Emergency Appeal, hosted by Anglican Missions to support communities most affected by this week's disaster.

Visit Anglican Missions to donate to the [Cyclone Gabrielle Appeal](#).

God of all consolation,
grant to those who sorrow
the spirit of faith and courage,
that they may have the strength to meet the days to come
with steadfastness and patience;
not sorrowing without hope,
but trusting in your goodness;
through him who is the resurrection and the life,
Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

Ko te Atua te tūmanako me te kaha o te hunga e whakapono ana ki a ia. Kia tau tonu iho ngā manaakitanga a te Atua ki a tatou inaianei me te āhuru o tona atawhai hei hāpai hei tautoko i a tātou, a ake tonu atu. Āmine.

**Whakamana: to acknowledge, uplift, maintain and restore the mana and tapu of others.*





ANZAC Biscuits

A recipe that doesn't use coconut

Wet Ingredients 1

90 grams butter

1 tablespoon golden syrup

Wet ingredients 2

1 tablespoon boiling water

1 teaspoon baking soda

Dry Ingredients

1 cup rolled oats

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup flour

1/2 cup sugar

Method

Mix all the dry ingredients together in a large bowl. In a saucepan gently melt the butter then add the golden syrup and heat stirring until thoroughly combined. Put the baking soda in a cup or small bowl then pour in the boiling water.

Pour this foaming mixture into the warm butter/golden syrup mixture and stir to incorporate- it will foam up. Now gradually add the wet mixture to the dry ingredients, stirring well to incorporate.

Place walnut size pieces of the dough on a buttered oven tray and then press down with the back of a fork to flatten.

Bake at 175 degrees C for approx 17 minutes.

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