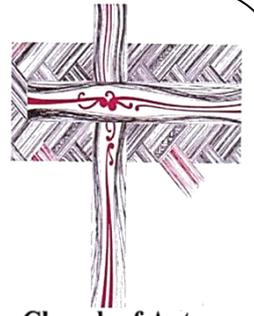




# St George's



**Anglican Parish of Gate Pa**

*All who enter here be reconciled*

The **Anglican** Church of Aotearoa  
New Zealand and Polynesia

14th June 2020 with The Rev'd John Hebenton tssf

**TE POUHERE SUNDAY**

There is a morning tea in the church lounge after the 9.00am Service.

Please join us. Visitors are very welcome.

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Psalm 116:9-17

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**Psalm Response:** Glory to God – Creator, Word, and Spirit

**As God always was, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-15

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Second Reading: Romans 5:1-8

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Gospel: Matthew 9:35-10:8

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**Sentence:** We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand.

*Romans 5.1-2*

## **Prayer for the Day**

Master weaver, you are the creator and we are the flax  
with which you have plaited Te Pouhere,  
a whāriki which unites our Tikanga  
in Aotearoa and across Te Moana Nui a Kiwa;  
your hand has woven us so that each Tikanga is revealed  
in the perfection of its design,  
its pattern in the texture of our differences,  
and its strength in the unity of its purpose  
to shelter and support your promise;  
remind us you have woven us so that no strand by itself  
reveals your design,  
but together we are the whāriki, Te Pouhere. **Amen.**

**All are welcome to receive communion**

**Prayers and anointing for healing are available during communion in the chapel, at  
the back of the church.**

## Theme for the Week

After twelve weeks we can return to our building. For now, the Covid emergency is on hold and we can breathe. A cause for celebration! When we were last in St. George's it was still Lent. Easter as celebrated from our homes, and here we are now in Ordinary Time.

We might describe Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent and Easter as opportunities to reflect on and be shaped by different aspects of the God revealed in the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus the Christ. Ordinary Time is when we reflect on how we join the disciples living in response to this God in our context and time.

On Pentecost Sunday we read how the Spirit of Ascended Jesus is breathed into each of us, gifting us peace; inviting us to rejoice and forgive. Last week, Trinity Sunday we used Rublev's icon of the Trinity, based on this week's first testament story (Genesis 18:1-15) to hear the invitation into the life and love of God that creates and sustains all that is.

We begin our walk in Ordinary Time by returning to Matthew and hearing his version of Jesus naming and sending out the 12. For Franciscans this is a very important story. On hearing this gospel reading in 1208 on the Feast of Saint Matthias, Francis of Assisi heard his calling and with his brothers found the basis of the rule of life for his order. He, like those first apostles, heard the call to continue the transforming work of Jesus who healed, restored, and reconciled. He heard the call to win others for love. Or as Jesus says, to proclaim in words and actions that the reign of heaven has come near.

This Sunday is also Te Pouhere Sunday – the day our church in Aotearoa gives thanks for the work of the Spirit in our midst, continuing this work of healing and reconciliation, that has led to our unique way of living together. In light of that, I wonder where we see this ongoing work in the marches happening across the USA and around the world, including here, joining with all those who struggle to breathe because of their race and colour. Are we able to join them and proclaim “Black Lives Matter”?

## Prayer

**Our community** - We pray for the communities of Gate Pa, Greerton, Pyes Pa, The Lakes and Merivale, especially for those badly affected by Covid-19, either through the death of a loved one, ill-health, or changes to employment. We pray for all those seeking to bring healing and hope, particularly health workers and organisations like Te Tuinga Whanau, and Foodbank.

**We pray for those who are dying, sick, in hospital or in any other kind of need,** parishioners in rest homes and those who receive home communion. We especially pray for any others you hold in your hearts.

**Our Church:** Today we pray for the people of the *Taradale Parish* & their clergy: Vicar (vacant) Adrienne Bruce (Priest-in-Charge), Peter Williamson, The people of the *Puketapu Parish* & clergy: Bill Chapman, and the people of the *Tamatea Co-operating Parish* & their clergy: Ted Body; Jenny Beale (Retired).

**Wider Church:** Today we pray for the New Zealand Church Missionary Society (NZCMS) and those serving overseas as Mission Partners who have left their homes and lives behind to engage in Mission.

## NOTICES



There will only be **ONE service next Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 9.00am** and the AGM will follow morning tea. **The AGM Report books have been emailed out and are available in the church foyer.**



**Tauranga Community Foodbank** need money donations. You can donate online: <https://taurangafoodbank.co.nz/>.



You are invited to the **Battle of Te Ranga commemoration event** – 7am, this Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June at Te Ranga.



**AAW meeting 1.00pm Tuesday 16th June in the church lounge.**

There will be a bring and buy sales table and raffles. All meetings afterwards will be on the second Tuesday of each month as usual. Please advise whether you will be able to attend so we know it will be worthwhile going ahead. Many blessings, Miriam Peavor, President



**Harvest Festival will be celebrated SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> June.** Donations can be left with Patricia in the office by Friday 26<sup>th</sup>.



**Tai Chi** – Starting in the Hall, 17<sup>th</sup> June. Wednesday mornings, 9.30 – 11.30. \$5.00 casual attendance or \$40 for ten sessions. Contact David Parker: 027 222 2824



**Lay Training Days - Mission - what does this mean for us?**

**By Zoom, 25 to 27 June.** The lay learning days will be offered by Zoom during the period 25 to 27 June. All lay people are very welcome to take part. Attendance is required for those with a Lay Ministry Licence (of whatever type). This learning event will be split into **two zoom sessions** (each 1 ½ to two hours long) and each session will be offered twice. You will need to attend a session A and a session B, in that order.

The sessions are: **Thursday 25 June Session A** - 2pm-4pm, **Friday 26 June Session B** - 2pm-4pm  
**Saturday 27 June Session A** 10am -12noon - **Session B** 2-4pm

Please register for with Sandra Gifkins, [office.manager@waiapu.com](mailto:office.manager@waiapu.com) so that you can be sent the Zoom links.



## Faith Thinking on Zoom

The Theology Programme at the University of Otago is offering another series of “Faith Thinking on Zoom” - one-hour FREE sessions on Zoom, these will involve input on a topic followed by facilitated discussion

To join in one of these sessions you need to register by going here:

<https://www.otago.ac.nz/continuingeducation/index.html> and clicking on “Register online” at the bottom.

Tuesday 16 June: 7.30-8.30pm with Paul Trebilco, Jesus in the Gospel of Mark

Tuesday 23 June, 7.30-8.30 with Lynne Taylor, Pastoral care: our stories matter

Tuesday 30 June: 7.30-8.30pm with David Tombs, James Cone, the Cross and the Lynching Tree

## This week in the Parish:

**Monday** 15<sup>th</sup> June

**Tuesday** 16<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am Holy Communion  
AAW - 1pm Church Lounge

**Wednesday** 17<sup>th</sup> June 7pm Vestry Meeting, Church Lounge

**Thursday** 18<sup>th</sup> June -

**Friday** 19<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am Prayer Group @ 9.30am

**Saturday** 20<sup>th</sup> June

**Sunday** 21<sup>st</sup> June 9am Service OS12 **AGM at 11am**

## Service Next Week 21<sup>st</sup> June

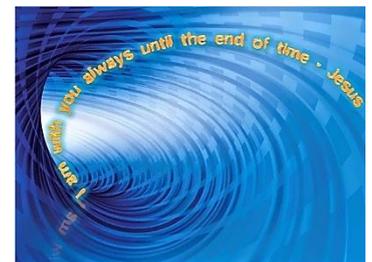
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Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

First Reading: Gen 21:8-21

Second Reading: Rom 6:1b-11

Gospel: Matt 10:24-39



## Dates to note in your Diary

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June Battle of Te Ranga Commemoration

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival

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