



# St George's

Anglican Parish of Gate Pa

*All who enter here be reconciled.*

25<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Easter 4 Yr B with The Rev'd Deborah Garrett ***I am the Good Shepherd***



There is morning tea in the church lounge after today's Service.

Please join us. Visitors are very welcome.

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Psalm 23 (8am only)

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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: Acts 4:5-12 Bible Page 887

Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24 Bible Page 990

Gospel: John 10:11-18 Bible Page 872

**Sentence:** 'I am the good shepherd', says the Lord. 'I know my own and my own know me'. *John 10.14*

## Prayer for the Day

Shepherd of all,

by laying down your life for your flock

you reveal your love for all.

Lead us from the place of death

to the place of abundant life,

that guided by your care for us,

we may rightly offer our lives

in love for you and our neighbours.

**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.**

## Poppy Day 2021: Stories from soldier's lost World War II diary

As New Zealand marks Poppy Day, one family remembers its fallen relative with a look back through his World War II diary.



*With links to our Rev'd Debbie, the following is a small excerpt from the story.*

*For the full story, please follow this link:*

*<https://www.stuff.co.nz/national/300271418/poppy-day-2021-stories-from-soldiers-lost-world-war-ii-diary>*

Within Jack Crawford's war diary, behind a worn black cover embossed with the faded grey words My Trip Book, are stories a young soldier might leave out from letters home.

For Crawford's great nephew, Dave Yaxley, these are among his favourites to read. There is Jack's embarrassment after guiding his Lancaster bomber to the wrong airfield after a mission, leaving friends fearing him dead and his superiors furious.

It was 70 years after Jack's death that Rose emailed a newspaper editor in Hamilton and a story was written about an English woman whose mother had been wed to a Kiwi soldier, and now wanted to return a diary to his family. There was little to go on – the mother's name was Elizabeth, he had a sister named Phyllis, and a male relative named Barry.

By chance, the story was seen by a reverend (*Rev'd Debbie Garrett*), in Tauranga. She had been married to a man named Barry and knew the faces in the picture. She contacted Jack's last living relative – his niece, Pam, Dave Yaxley's mother.

### **Prayer**

**Our community:** We pray for the communities of Gate Pa, Greerton, Oropi, The Lakes, Pyes Pa and Merivale. We particularly pray for the ministry of Centrepont and Whanau Aroha.

**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 and any others you hold in your hearts at this time.

**Our Church:** Today we pray for the *Southern Hawke's Bay Parish* & their clergy: Jo Crosse (Vicar), Jane Laver (D). *Tararua Family Services* Manager: Peter Barton. *Elske Centre Manager & Growing Through Grief* Coordinator: Lynne Ellingham-Boyd.

The people of the *Woodville Parish* & their Ministry Support Team.

**Our World:** Today we pray for the education and teachers in Tanzania; and for New Zealanders who are serving in the schools and universities in Tanzania.

## Notices:



Patricia is taking a well-deserved break for the next 4 days. The office will be attended by volunteers, from Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup>. Any emergencies please call Rev'd John.



**Parish Coffee Meet**, Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April. The parish Coffee Meet this month is at the Whipped Baker, Historic Village at 10.30am. Everyone welcome. Bring a friend.



### **Gate Pa Day Commemoration- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April. at 4.00pm**

To commemorate Gate Pa Day, we are holding a service at 4pm. It will involve quiet as we remember all those who fought and died, and what the battle was about. At 4.30pm the bell will be rung 60 times to remember the approximately 60 people who lost their lives in the battle. We will then finish with prayers/karakia. All are welcome. Bishop Andrew will attend. Please spread the word, invite people and bring food on the day for a shared afternoon tea.



**2020-2021 Tax Receipts** for the End of the Financial Year 31.3.21 are now ready for your collection, or have been posted out.

## **Installation of new Vicar for Parish of Tauranga**

The Rt Rev'd Andrew Hedge, Bishop of Waiapu, has the pleasure of inviting you to attend a Service of Installation for The Reverend Nigel Dixon as Vicar of the Parish of Tauranga, at Holy Trinity Tauranga, 215 Devonport Road, Tauranga on **Saturday 26 June 2021 4:30 pm.**

All are invited to support Nigel with your presence and your prayers. Clergy are encouraged to robe in alb and red stole. Please RSVP your attendance for catering purposes to [admin@holytrinitytauranga.com](mailto:admin@holytrinitytauranga.com)

## This week in the Parish:

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April **Anzac Day Holiday office Closed**  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am Holy Communion  
• **Parish Coffee Meet, Tuesday 27th April 10.30am**  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April **Franciscan Benedictine 12 noon service**  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April **Gate Pa Commemoration 60 Bells Service 4pm**  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April  
Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 8.00am and 9.30am Holy Communion.



## Service Next Week 2<sup>nd</sup> May Easter 5

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Psalm 22:25-31

Acts 8:26-40

1 John 4:7-21

Gospel: John 15:1-8



## Dates to note in your Diary:

- **29<sup>th</sup> April** – 60 Bells Service – 4pm
- **30<sup>th</sup> May** – Taize
- **27<sup>th</sup> June** – Harvest Festival
- **25<sup>th</sup> September** – Greerton Village Blossom Festival Gala Stall
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