



St George's

Anglican Parish of Gate Pa

All who enter here be reconciled

30th June 2019 with **The Rev'd John Hebenton tssf**



There is morning tea in the church lounge after this 9.30am Service.

Please join us. Visitors are very welcome.

Please remember to turn off your mobile phone during the church service

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Psalm 19

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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 1:1-25

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Second Reading:

Revelation 3:14-22

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Gospel:

John 1:1-5

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Sentence: All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

John 1: 3-5

Prayer for the Day

God, our Creator,

as we reflect on the mystery of our fragile planet,

we celebrate the wonders of Earth as our home.

Help us to discern how we have polluted our planet

and to empathise with the groaning of creation beneath us.

Teach us to sense the presence of God

pulsing through Earth as a living green blue sanctuary.

Teach us to love Earth as our home.

In the name of Christ, the Word of God,

who is the creative impulse in all creation. 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

This week we continue with our celebration of the Season of Creation. Normally this is the period in the annual church calendar, from 1st September to 4th October, dedicated to God as Creator and Sustainer of all life. It is a time to recall that this is God's world, and that this planet and all who live on it belong to God. Our readings today remind us that the only starting point in talking about our place in this world is that this world is God's gift. We receive this gift as people made in the image of the creating and life giving God. We are given dominion over this world, not to dominate and use the resources for our own short term gain, but to act for the long term benefit of all creation and all who live on it.

In this season we join the world wide church catholic to hear again the invitation to live richly: joyfully responding to the goodness and generosity of God; growing in our vocation as image bearers; acting in the hope that God is reconciling all things. And it provides an opportunity to repent for all the ways we have failed to live richly, and to lament the consequences of this failure. In doing so we offer our neighbours ways of reverencing this world and to live that protects the most vulnerable.

Prayer

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

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.

Our Church: Today we pray for our Ecumenical Bodies: World Council of Churches, Christian World Service, Uniting Churches of ANZ, Inter-church Hospital Chaplaincy, Church Inter-church Trade & Industry Mission.

Our World: Today we pray for the Church in Asia.

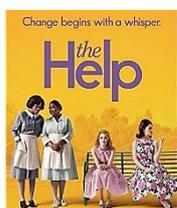
Notices: Lay Learning Days - Spiritual Practices to sustain us. Saturday 20 July at St Barnabas Ngongataha. The day begins at 9.15am with tea/coffee and will conclude at lunchtime. BYO lunch. All are warmly invited. At 1.00pm the session on Boundaries in Ministerial Relationships will be run again for those who did not attend in March, and will conclude at 4.30pm. **Participating in Boundaries every three years is a requirement for those who hold a Lay Ministry Licence.**



Please note - A weekday Boundaries session will also be run at Holy Trinity Tauranga on **Wednesday 31 July**, beginning at 1.00pm.



Parish Social Night: Friday 12th July, 5pm at the Oasis Bar & Grill, Cnr Chadwick and Greerton Rds. All welcome.



NEXT Parish Film afternoon Sunday 14th July. \$5 for lunch and a film! Bargain!. "The Help" with Viola Davis. In 1960s Mississippi, Southern society girl Skeeter (Emma Stone) returns from college with dreams of being a writer. She turns her small town on its ear by interviewing the black women who spent their lives taking care of prominent white families



AAW Meeting Tuesday 9th July. Instead of our regular meeting we have been invited to join in with the AAW ladies at St John's for a soup and roll lunch, slices etc, and entertainment. The cost is \$10 each and includes 3 raffle tickets. It is a fundraiser for the Kailakuri Health Care Centre in Bangladesh that Dr Baker was passionate about until his death in September 2015. This is a very worthwhile cause that Overseas and Outreach are no longer contributing to, being short of funds they are concentrating on the Pacific area only. Please let me know if you require transport or attending to give us an idea of numbers. Thank you. *Miriam Peavor*



Parish Administrator Wanted! The job is being re-advertised until Friday 5th July. It is part time permanent for 21 hours per week and an evening Vestry meeting once a month. The role is working with and supporting the Vicar, with the responsibility for day to day Administration of the Parish. The successful applicant will be an experienced administrator, with excellent computer skills, along with relationship skills to work effectively with our clergy and parishioners. Some familiarity with church organisation and worship would be advantageous, but not essential. To apply or to find out more, please contact the office or email stgeorges.gatepa@xtra.co.nz for a copy of the job description and the application process. Applications close 5pm Friday 5th July 2019.

PS. Our New Website is up and running! Completely reinvented by the lovely Binnie Brown. Check it out www.stgeorgesgatepa.org.nz

This week in the Parish:

Monday 1st July
Tuesday 2nd July 9.30am Mid-Week Communion Service
Wednesday 3rd July
Thursday 4th July
Friday 5th July
Saturday 6th July
Sunday 7th July 8am and 9.30am Holy Communion

Service Next Week 7th July

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Psalm: 104:24-26
Job 38:1-8
Ephesians 1:3-10
Luke 5:1-11



Dates to note in your Diary

AAW Meet, Tuesday 9th July, at St. John's Otumoetai

Parish Social Night, Friday 12th July, 5pm, Oasis Bar & Grill

Sunday 14th July - Guest preacher – Ven Dr Justine Allain Chapman from the UK will be with us for both service

- **Parish Film & Lunch Afternoon**

Vestry Meet, Wednesday 17th July

Parish Coffee Meet, Tuesday 30th July 10.30am

Taizé Service, Sunday 4th August, 7pm

St. George's Day festivities, 11th August

SPCA Animal Blessing Sunday! 13th October

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