



St George's

Anglican Parish of Gate Pa

All who enter here be reconciled

9th August 2020

with Rev'd John Hebenton

OT19



There is morning tea in the church lounge after the 9.30am Service.
Please join us. Visitors are very welcome.

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Psalm: 105: 1-6, 16-22, 45b

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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 37:1-4, 12-28

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Second Reading - Romans 10:5-15

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Gospel - Matthew 14:22-33

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Sentence: They cried out in fear, but Jesus spoke to them and said, take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.
Matthew 14.26.27

Prayer for the Day

Merciful God,
hearten us,
so that like Peter we may have faith even when we fail.
Grant that any recognition we receive brings worship
not to ourselves but to you.
through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy spirit,
one God, now and for ever. 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

Today is Peace Sunday. CWS suggest that this is a time to explore our responsibility to be peacemakers. Today we especially remember people killed or hurt when the first atomic bombs were dropped on the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki 75 years ago, and our Pacific neighbours whose lives have been affected by nuclear testing. In our hearts we hold a deep sadness for people still facing violence and war. We join with others around the world in longing for the peace that passes understanding, that turns swords into ploughshares, that comes wrapped with justice.

Our Gospel reading today (Matthew 14:22-33) reminds us that in the storms of our current situations, including pandemics and ongoing conflicts, we are not alone. Jesus says “Be encouraged. It is I. Do not be afraid.” (Matthew 14:27, CEB) The invitation from last week (Matthew 14: -13-21) to act out of a deep gut-based compassion remains. And like last week, Jesus continues to promise to be there whether we stay in the boat or step out with Peter onto the raging sea. May God grant us the compassion and wisdom to know where to take the next step.

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 *Mt Maunganui Parish* & their clergy: Christine Scott (Vicar), Wendy Showan (Priest-Associate). Retired: Peter Coughlan, Marie Gilpin

Wider Church: Today we pray for the youth of our Province – Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. *For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, to give you a future with hope - Jeremiah 29:11*

Notices



Taizé: A Taizé Service of Song, Prayer and Contemplation will be held on **Sunday 9th August at 7.00pm**. A gentle, quiet, candle lit time.

PLEASE REMEMBER...

• you may wish to use a non-contact method to share the peace • that communion is complete in one kind (intinction – dipping of wafer into wine – is not permitted). • do not come to church if you are unwell • good personal hygiene remains highly important: washing your hands frequently, use hand sanitiser, cough into your elbow.



Lay Ministry Licences - the licences have expired but these will stand until the new process is completed. Please return your form a.s.a.p. to the office.



AAW Tuesday 11th August 1pm This month we are having an outing, firstly to 414 Pyes Pa Road behind Four14 café. Secondhand Avenue who do house clearances and have linen, china, furniture etc, then afterwards we will move into Four14 Café to have afternoon tea. Michelle the owner is allowing \$1 off if purchasing cake or slice with coffee ie 2 items. Please ring me if transport is required. Miriam



Pub Night – Friday 14th August, 5pm at Oasis Bar & Grill – The 58th anniversary of St George's of Gate Pa. 1334 Cameron Road, Greerton. Help us celebrate.



St George's Day Lunch "The World on a Plate"

16th August. After **10.00am service**. Join us at lunch celebrating multiculturalism with international cuisine

and beverages. Price: **\$15.00 per adult. Under 10's \$8.00.** Tickets available from the office only.



Art Show: 9th and 10th October – A donation towards the purchase of wine for the Gala night will be appreciated.

Bishop's Announcement – I have pleasure to announce the Rev'd Bruce Allport has accepted the position of Vicar of the Parish of Rotorua. Bruce is currently the Priest-in-Charge of the Parish of Riverslea in Hastings and, along with his wife Leanne, is looking forward to moving to Rotorua at the beginning of September.

This week in the Parish

Monday	10 August
Tuesday	11 August 9.30am Mid-week Eucharist AAW meeting at 414 Pyes Pa
Wednesday	12 August
Thursday	13 August Florence Nightingale, Nurse, Social Reformer, 1910
Friday	14 August 9.30am Prayer Circle Parish Pub Night at Oasis Bar and Grill
Saturday	15 August
Sunday	16 August 10.00am only Holy Eucharist

Service Next Week 16th August (OS20)

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Psalm 133

First Reading: Gen 45:1-15

Second Reading: Rom 11:1-2,29-32

Gospel: Matt 15:21-28



Dates to note in your Diary

- Taize Service Sunday 9th August 7pm
- Pub Night Friday 14th August 5pm
- St George's Day: Sunday 17th August 10.00am Service only
- Blessing of the Animals 4th October
- Week of Prayer for World Peace 11th – 18th October
- All Souls (All Saints) 1st November
- Carol Service 20th December

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