

ALL SAINTS' PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

SERVICES THIS WEEK

ALL SAINTS

Thursday 10 am

Holy Communion
(New Zealand Prayer Book)

Sunday 8:00am

God Promises Hope
Bek Hickman
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Psalm 40: 1 - 5
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Sunday 5:00 pm

Advent Reflections
Nigel Dixon

ST COLUMBA'S

Sunday 9.30

Informal Service

PARISH DATES

7 Dec - Messy Church
14 Dec - Christmas in
the City

WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS CHURCH

It is wonderful to see you here today. Please feel free to stay after the service for tea, coffee or a chat.

UN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

On 3 December we celebrate the above. This year's theme is "Empowering persons with disabilities and ensuring inclusiveness and equality". On

this day let's adopt a truly pastoral view that embraces our total community as the living Body of Christ. As such, we are called to establish truth and justice where all people enjoy full participation. We are challenged to live in the 'light', to throw off the darkness and to take off the clothes of exclusion and fear and appear as lights of welcome in the darkness of exclusion.

How are we, as a community, encouraging and promoting the full participation of people with disability and their families in our faith community?

Today we are invited to pray for people with disability, their families and the people who support them.

Henri Norman said that the question is not "How can we help people with disability?". The much more important question is "How can we allow people with disability to give their spiritual gifts to us and call us to conversion, call us to wholeness, call us to love?".

Franco Vaccarino, Disabilities Chaplain
(currently celebrating Advent in Linköping, Sweden)

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ALL SAINTS FOOD BANK

The All Saints Food Bank support families in need. We need your help with donations of weetbix, pasta, rice, canned fruit, pasta sauce, vegies and tuna. Donations can be left at the office or at services on Sundays

BUTTONS! BUTTONS! BUTTONS!

Messy Church would love to give a home to your unused button collection. Our last Messy Church of the year is fast approaching and we would love buttons in any size or colour to use in one of our exciting craft activities. Please deposit them at the office before Friday 7th December.



B'N'B - BRAS AND BOOKS

Jean Hatch is taking a suitcase to Fiji just after Christmas and she would like to fill it with Bras and Books for Fijian Women Prisoners care of Operations Foundation in Fiji (a Christian organization who work in Fijian Prisons). Ladies as you spring clean can she please have any of your old bras (any shape and size but working order please). Also any books would be appreciated. Fiction/Non-Fiction/Christian. Literacy is not high - ranges from Year 7 to Adult - no highly academic please. Please bring to Jean Hatch at church or phone her on 027 573 7115 to arrange collection/drop off. Vinaka vaka levu.

HAPPENINGS @ ST OSWALDS

MAINLY MUSIC - Tuesdays at 10 -11.30am. Come along for a music session, shared morning tea and play. Bring your kids or grandkids - all welcome.

MAINLY PLAY - Wednesdays at 9.30 to 11.30am. Bring along your kids or grandkids for playtime, followed by a shared morning tea.

MUMMA'S COFFEE AND CAKE EVENINGS - Fortnightly chats and pudding with mums from the above groups and church families.

CRAFT AFTERNOONS - Wednesdays from 2pm. Bring along your craft project to do over afternoon tea and a chat. All welcome. Coffee, Tea and afternoon tea provided. For more information see Karen Lyons.

BREAD RUN - Fridays from 6.00pm. Volunteers pick up extras from Just Zilch and deliver it to in-need families in the community. We need helpers for this. If it sounds like you then please see Margaret Barsanti.

COMMUNITY MEALS - Fortnightly meals doing dinner together as family.

If you would like more information or feel passionate about any of the above and would like to help then please contact Margaret Barsanti.



ADVENT 2018

WHY WE STILL NEED A SAVIOUR (FOR 8AM, 10AM AND 5PM SERVICES)

2 DECEMBER - Gabriel Encounters Mary - *God promises Hope*

9 DECEMBER - Elizabeth Encounters Mary - *God Promises Joy*

14 DECEMBER - Christmas in the City

16 DECEMBER - Mary's Announcement - *God Promises Peace*

23 DECEMBER - Angelic Encounter - *God Promises Love*

24 DECEMBER - 3PM - Family Service

11 PM - Christmas Eve Service

25 DECEMBER - 10AM - Christmas Celebration



ST PETER'S LUNCHTIME CONCERT

Once again St Peter's have the talented organist Robert Cleaver presenting their Christmas Concert with a mix of Carols and favourites on the pipe organ. Bring your own lunch. Tea and Coffee provided. Come along on Tuesday the 4th December at 12:15 to 12:45. Everyone



HOMESTAY FAMILIES REQUIRED

Looking ahead to 2019, Freyberg High School requires Homestay families for their International Students to welcome them in and share their Kiwi way of life. There are both long and short term students. The Homestay payment is \$257.50 per week per student. If you or someone you know could be interested please send an email to: buddens@freyberg.ac.nz or partridge@freyberg.ac.nz

PRE-PUBLISHING BOOK SALE - WHEN THE CROWD STOPS ROARING



Neven MacEwan, ex Wellington rugby player and All Black has written a biography. A story of his family, his fight with alcoholism and his turn around from hopelessness to hope. Here is a chance for people to support this endeavour. There is a "Pre-Publishing Book Sale" where you can buy a book at the discounted price of \$25.00 (offer closes 24 December). You could also pledge support where you can pledge in \$100 lots. For each \$100 you will receive 3 signed copies of the book and a share of the potential profits. You can buy the book or pledge money on http://www.nevenmacewan.com/book_buy_online.htm?product=3245. If you would like further information you can call Neven on 357 2566 or 0273 553 775.

MONTHLY HAPPENINGS AT ALL SAINTS

MESSY CHURCH:

Bring the kids, grandkids, neighbours and join us from 4.30-6.30pm on Friday 7 December for crazy cool activities, awesome dramas and delicious dinner.



DISABILITIES SERVICE:

Is held the 2nd Sunday of the month @ All Saints Community Centre @ 2pm.

A MONTH IN ASSISI

John and Jenny Hornblow have spent the month of November in Assisi where John has been Chaplain to the Anglican Community in Umbria and beyond. They will be sharing aspects of their time away in a talk at the Palmerston North Public Library (lower floor in George Street) on Wednesday 12th December at 5.00pm to 6.30pm. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY

Is happening on the 14th of December here at All Saints from 4 - 9pm. Come along and enjoy the spectacle including Food Trucks, Nativity Exhibition, Art Displays, Makers Market and Live Entertainment. Bring along your family, friends and neighbours!



PRAYER RHYTHMS: @ ALLSAINTS

Monday 8.30 - 9.00 am All Saints' on the Square

Monday 12 noon - 1pm Silent Contemplation @ All Saints' on the Square

Tuesday 8.00 - 8.30 am All Saints' on the Square

Tuesday 12noon-12.30pm @ St Oswalds

Wednesday 12noon-12.30pm @ All Saints'

Thursday 8.00 - 8.30 am All Saints' on the Square

Thursday 6.30 pm stop what you are doing and pray

Friday 8.30 - 9.00 am All Saints' on the Square



Come and join us for half hour of prayer as we seek God and offer Him our petitions for our families, friends, church, city, nation and world.

ALL SAINTS OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 8.30 - 3pm

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