

ALL SAINTS' PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

SERVICES THIS WEEK**ALL SAINTS****Sunday 8:00am***So What's the Story (Part 2)*

Nigel Dixon

Genesis 3: 1 - 10

Galatians 1: 3 - 5

Sunday 10:00 am*So What's the Story (Part 2)*

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Genesis 3: 1 - 10

Sunday 5:00 pm*On the Road to Emmaus*

Gerald Auton

Isaiah 53: 1 - 12

Luke 24: 13 - 27

Thursday 10 amEucharist & Prayer Book
Service

Andy Hickman

ST COLUMBA'S**Sunday 9.30 am**

Informal Service

PARISH DATES

29th May - Parish Update

15 & 22 May, & 5 & 12 June

-Communitas with Mick and
Ruby Duncan**WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS CHURCH**

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

VICAR'S VERBIAGE

We have had a very enriching April – Maunday Thursday meal, the Good Friday pilgrimage, Easter services, Easter camp, quiz night(!), Nev MacEwan book launch – it has all been happening! I hope you have engaged well in Lenten studies and all the other reflective spaces for prayer and contemplation.

At staff meeting on Tuesday I was commenting how we are back into normal time and it will be less busy... and then we talked! I want to highlight a few things in which to invite your participation:

- Our conference is coming soon! On May 16-17 we are hosting a conference on reaching our city through grace filled lives and grace inspired strategic action. We have two outstanding communicators and the input will be exceptional – why would you not come! Register at the office.

- Communitas 2019 is coming! On May 15 we begin a series on 'being neighbours' with the insightful input of Mick and Ruby Duncan. We are so privileged having them for 4 weeks – so set this time aside to be inspired and equipped.

- Diocese Training Day is coming too! On May 11 there is a Wellington based training day for all leaders and those who serve in whatever sphere of ministry.

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If you need a ride to the Diocese Training Day please contact the office. For more information about the Diocese Training Day including which workshops are on please see <http://movementonline.org.nz/teamtrainingday/> .

One of the realities we face as a congregation is that we are in the city centre. This is a privilege and a responsibility. We engage with the council and community because of our location. We experience the needs of the city because of our location. In recent times this has meant we have hosted a combined church service to respond to Christchurch. It also means we have rough sleepers around the back of our building.

We are seeking to find accommodation for these homeless ones, some of whom have few options. We have had some success but this is not a social crisis that will disappear quickly – and by showing care and grace we seem to be attracting more. We are working at this with council and other agencies. It is one reason we need to develop a city mission so that we can be more pro-active rather than being reactive – but this will take time.

So there will be some anxiety with people finding shelter here. I feel that too. Poverty that is seen is harder to deal with as it confronts us. Due to one or two being emotionally/mentally fragile there may be occasional issues. The senior staff are available to deal with these, but all of us are called to be a caring community. And we do this well! We are also seeking to be part of the answer – so please journey with us on this. Your creative involvement is welcomed as we seek to be a part of the answer to our community's brokenness.

Cheers, Nigel

GOSPEL IN THE CITY

The remarkable success of the churches in New York has been a phenomenon. A key influence has been the leadership and approach of Timothy Keller. This conference will explore his approach to doing church in the city, for the sake of a city.



Andrew Katay and Gunna Ramen head City to City Networks that are part of Timothy Keller's global networks. It will be a great experience learning from two gifted practitioners.

WHEN: 16 & 17 May 2019, 9:30am - 3:30pm (Registration at 9:00am)

WHERE: All Saints Church, 338 Church Street, Palmerston North

COST: \$110.00 (after 30 April 2019)

You can register by emailing info@allsaintsnz.com.

SHARED LUNCH . . .

Is this Sunday at 11.30am. Come along to enjoy some lunch with the church family. Please bring a plate of finger food to share. All congregations welcome.

SPECIAL FAMILY NEWS - LILLY AROHA CRAIG

BJ, Bex, Esther, Aliana and Josiah Craig are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Lilly Aroha. Born 28 April. Praise God for another beautiful blessing!

VARIETY CONCERT @ ST PETER'S CHURCH

Local musicians are putting on a concert in support of the Robert Matthews Memorial Music Scholarship for young musicians. It is a free concert with donations invited. This will be held on Sunday 12 May at 2.30 until 3.20pm. Refreshments provided. Everyone welcome.

HOUSING

If you have a house that you are looking to sell or is empty please contact the office as you could be the answer to a problem.



COMMUNITAS 2019

We begin Communitas this year with four sessions on Neighbouring with Mick and Ruby Duncan. They will be equipping us with skills on how to come alongside people and fulfill the second commandment on loving our neighbours. They bring a wide range of experience and skills. The sessions will be practical but will also inspire.

Mick and Ruby have an interesting story to tell. They have been missionaries in Manilla where they were involved in incarnational church planting, established various disciple-making entities such as Alongsiders, speak and teach throughout New Zealand and Australia and love the art of neighbouring. Mick also lectures, writes books and 'pastors without being a Pastor'. Ruby is a former CEO of Iosis Ministries and is now a team leader of the Baptist Neighbourhood and Justice Initiative.

They will be with us at 7.30 - 9.00pm on the 15 and 22 of May. There will be a week's break and they will be back for the 5 and 12 of June.

These sessions are open to all and everyone is encouraged to come and be inspired by two truly amazing people doing God's work.

ALL SAINTS GIVING


EFT-POS will be available at the coffee machine, for a trial period, for your offerings. All Saints Bank Account details are:

FOR ALL SAINTS CHURCH **020630 0010393 00**

Giving Envelopes and AP forms are always available from the office.

MONTHLY HAPPENINGS AT ALL SAINTS



Join us for a time of reflection on scripture, sharing food and fellowship. If you are able, please bring some finger food to share. The next is  on 23 May @ 11.30am at All Saints Lounge. Everybody welcome.

MESSY CHURCH

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



DISABILITIES SERVICE

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

MISSION PRAYER

Wednesday 8th May from 7.00pm to 8.30pm at 7 Huata Street, West End. You are welcome to come and pray with others who share God's heart for the world.

PARISH MEAL

The next Parish Meal at the Hornblow's is on Monday 24 of June.

VAN DRIVERS

City Mission Palmerston North are looking for volunteers to drive vans to do pick up and drop offs. Please contact Anna via anna@citymission.co.nz if you are able to help.



NOTICES

If you would like a notice in our newsletter please email odette@allsaintsnz.com by Wednesday 9am. Please note editing is sometimes necessary due to space restrictions.

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
Wednesday	12noon - 12.30pm @ All Saints' on the Square
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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