

21 - 27 June 2020

NAU MAI HAERE MAI KO ALL SAINTS WHARE KARAKIA
Welcome to All Saints Church. It is wonderful to see you here today.

VICAR'S VERBIAGE

Hi Everyone

I spent a great day in Paraparaumu on Wednesday. It was a gathering of all of the 'priests in charge' and other key leaders for the diocese. What a fantastic group of people! We worshipped and shared and celebrated the Eucharist. What a privilege. It is great to be reconnecting and feeling a part of our extended community again.

Hopefully you are starting to reengage as well. It was a very encouraging turnout last week and hopefully more are gathered today. It does feel like we are having to re-exercise our people muscles, getting used to others takes energy! It is a joy, however, to be in the same room again, catching up with the stories of lockdown.

I want to suggest that you reflect on what God has been saying over this national slow down. It is easy to get busy again, to get functional again. Let's seek to return to the old life rhythms differently, more reflective. The question I think we need to wrestle with is a vocational one - where do I need to make a shift to live facing my 'true north'? True north is about our calling. I hope the extra time you have had has led to right wonderings, a realigning, a fresh sense or vision. So talk about this. We are meant to do this in community, calling each other to be faithful to the callings of God. Journey well!

Grace and Peace

Nigel.

That awkward moment at church when you go for a handshake...



... and they go for a hug.

GLOBAL RESPONSE CAMPAIGN

We've finally arrived at COVID-19 Alert Level 1, where we can now safely gather together. As blessed as we are, so many around the world are still reeling from the impacts of the pandemic. Our Global Response campaign is our diocese's way of giving from the abundance we have received to our brothers and sisters around the world who are struggling to attain the necessities of life amidst the pandemic, and our bishops have encouraged us to give generously even as we celebrate the freedom to gather safely here in Aotearoa. Bishop Justin and Bishop Eleanor encourage each of us to give generously. "In Aotearoa, many Anglicans have not lost their income, and some have even saved money during this period. I encourage you to get together in families, house churches and parishes and think creatively about how you can give into these places with great need. Every one of us can support these initiatives in prayer, and if you can give financially, I encourage you to give generously," says Bishop Justin. The four places that the Anglican Missions have chosen for this campaign are as follows:



FIJI

Our gift here will support grocery packs for vulnerable families and contribute to the investment, tools, seeds and seedlings so that each parish can have a tool shed from which members can borrow what they need to re-establish their source of income. Our brothers and sisters in Fiji are part of the Diocese of Polynesia within our own province. "Currently poverty is rife across the islands" says Bishop Henry Bull, Bishop of Vanua Levu and Taveuni Episcopal Unit in Fiji. Before COVID-19, most of his people, who are rural dwellers, were reliant on subsistence agriculture for their livelihoods. He says "we give thanks and pray for God's guidance and blessings on our three-tikanga church and its leadership."



KOLKATA, INDIA

Funds raised will help a three-stage process Anthony Watts and his business is involved in called Pay, Protect, Provide which they embarked upon in order to get through lockdown and support his employees. Pay, Protect, Provide is endeavouring to pay workers 100% of their income as they manufacture protective equipment to stop the spread of COVID-19 and providing 20,000 meals to people facing hunger. COVID-19 saw the whole country go into lockdown with only four hours' notice resulting in mass displacement and disruption. Anthon Watts tells us that over 122 million people lost their jobs in April alone.



COVID-19

Global Response

On top of all of this Cyclone Amphan hit in May causing widespread damage in eastern India. Anthony says “together these resilient communities are rising up again and putting their lives together, and we invite you to be a part of that with us”.

GAZA CITY

Al-Ahli Arab Anglican Hospital, in the centre of Gaza City, treats over 45,000 patients a year and is a haven of peace and hope in in the midst of one of the world’s most troubled



areas. Restrictions on movement and imports means the hospital is often without basic medicines and can struggle due to limited electricity, food, water, fuel and personnel. The hospital is now also facing the challenge of the spread of the Corona Virus. The lockdown has created a huge demand for treatment of patients who have been turned away from government funded hospitals. Funds donated will contribute to providing medical care for people in desperate need and enable the hospital to keep its doors open during the struggles and challenges of the COVID-19 crisis.

MOZAMBIQUE

“People are not afraid of dying of the pandemic, but of hunger. We receive petitions for food support but with limited funds we are unable to meet these requests” says Bishop Vicente of the Diocese of Niassa. Malnutrition and poverty were issues in the diocese prior to the pandemic, and now these issues are magnified. Access to medicine, food and fresh, clean water are all difficult, and are made even more difficult as the country is locked down to fight Coronavirus. Bishop Vicente intends to use the support we provide to them to provide more food support to those facing hunger, and is extremely grateful for our support in this time.



HOW TO DONATE

There are a couple of ways you can donate to this Campaign. The website address is <https://angmissions.org.nz/global-response>. There you can find out more about each campaign and donate via credit card.

Or you could donate via online banking. Their details are:

Account Name:	Anglican Missions Board
Account Number:	02 0585 0001796 00
Particulars:	Name or organisation name
Code:	which project you wish to support – or just put ‘all’
Reference:	any other details

SERVICES @ ALL SAINTS & ST OSWALDS

Don't forget everyone that our services for the time being are as follows:

Sunday 9.00am @ St Oswald's - Traditional Communion Service

Sunday 9.30am @ All Saints - Family Service Celebration

Sunday 5.00pm @ All Saints - Evening Worship

& Thursday 10.00am @ St Oswald's - Eucharist & Prayer Book Service

ST COLUMBA'S

Are meeting in the hall for their informal service for the foreseeable future. Their services are at 9.30am each Sunday.



ALL SAINTS FOOD BANK



The All Saints Food Bank's cupboards are bare and we need to restock supplies. Any non perishable food items would be a huge help! Items such as Weetbix, pasta sauce, rice, pasta, biscuits, crackers, canned fish, canned fruit and vegetables and tea and coffee are all staples we give out regularly. Thank you so much to all of you who donate to the Food Bank. It is very much appreciated!

PRAYER RHYTHMS: @ ALLSAINTS

Prayer rhythms are currently on Zoom. The link is on the All Saints Palmerston North Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/AllSaintsPalmerstonNorth>). We meet at 8.30am Monday - Friday. 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.



We also have Silent Contemplation at St Peters on Mondays from 12 noon - 1.00pm.

MONTHLY HAPPENINGS

DISABILITY SERVICE

These will be restarting at a later date. There is no June service. We will keep you posted about future services.

PARISH MEALS

Parish Meals are currently still on hold. Watch this space for information about their resumption.

MISSION PRAYER

The next Mission Prayer is on Wednesday 8 July from 7.00 - 8.30pm at 79 Havelock Avenue, Palmerston North. All welcome to come and pray with others and sharing God's heart for the world.



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