



Crosstrax - Winter June & July
Riccarton Spreydon Ōtautahi Christchurch NZ

Nau mai, haere mai, welcome in Christ's name.

Jesus Teaches Nicodemus

John 3:1-8

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could

perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him."

Recently while reading and researching Johns gospel entitled Jesus Teaches Nicodemus, I found this wonderfully moving artwork painted in 1927 in oils. This was the year that Henry Ossawa



Nicodemus Visiting Jesus. By Henry Ossawa Tanner 1927

JESUS TEACHES NICODEMUS

Tanner was elected a 'full academician' in the National Academy of Design. The painting is a powerful masterwork that is exemplary of the distinctive, personal style of the artist's finest paintings. The monumental painting triumphantly combines two religious subjects and nocturnal scenes, and is representative of the artist at the height of his abilities.

Tanner's father, Benjamin Tucker Tanner, was a minister and later, Bishop in the African Methodist Church, who instilled the artist with a strong religious foundation early in his life. While Tanner remained devote throughout his life, it was not until the mid-1890s, while living in Europe, that he began to incorporate religious subjects into his works to great acclaim. The subject of Christ and Nicodemus was particularly important to the artist as it appealed to both his religious and racial concerns.

According to the book of John, Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews, came to Jesus by night to ask him questions. Jesus said to him, 'except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.' The image of the rabbi coming to Jesus by night provided a biblical precedent for the worship habits of African-American slaves, as well as for post-emancipation practices. Slaves were not allowed either to have formal church services or to read the Bible, and their clandestine religious activities were conducted at night.

'Nicodemus Visiting Jesus' is an outdoor scene, depicting the two men speaking. The only source of light in the

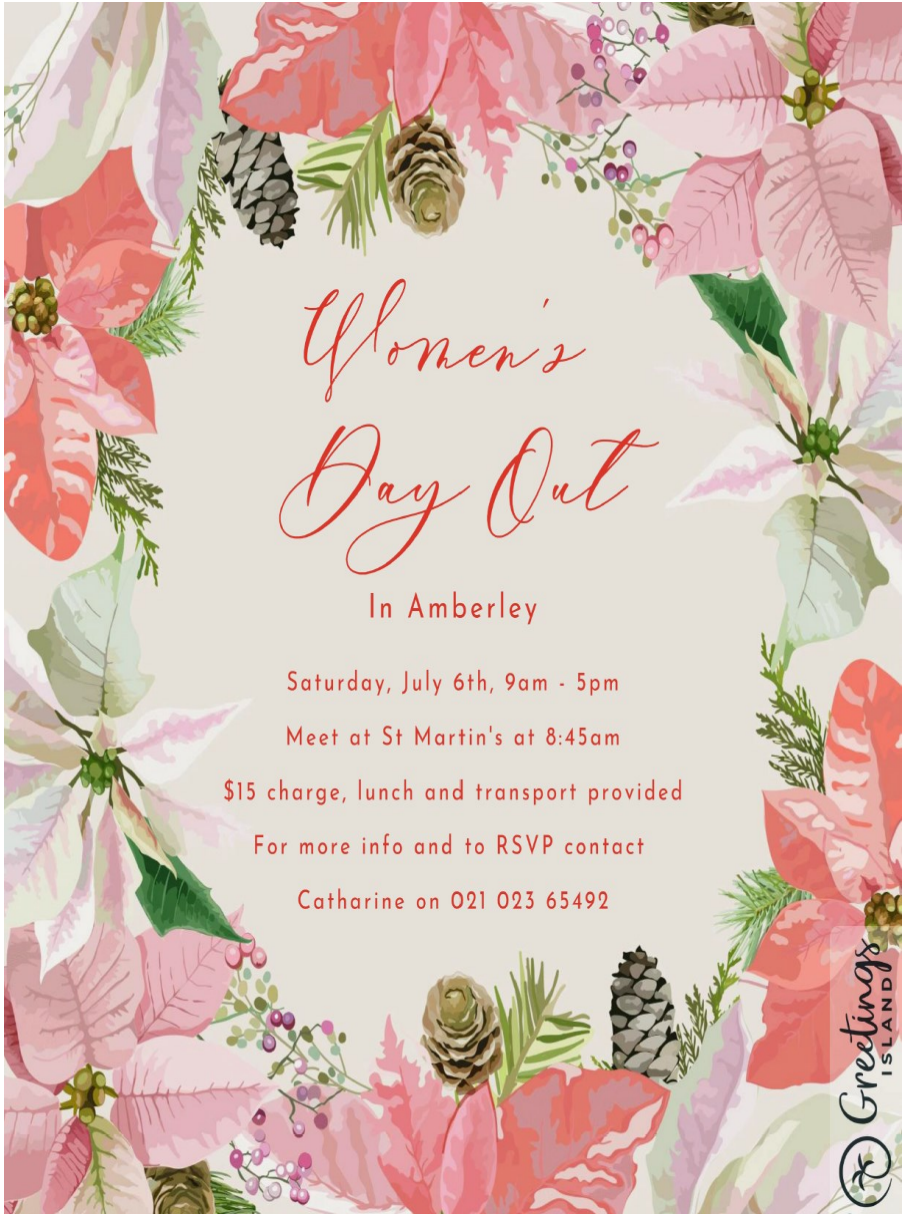
composition comes from a distant building where Nicodemus is seemingly in the dark. Tanner masterfully combines rich blues and greens to capture the evening atmosphere and imbue the work with an air of hushed secrecy. The highly worked surface, with its thick paint application, is characteristic of the artist's mature work and further enhances the sense that the scene is cloaked by the night. The masterfully developed figures are monumentalized while the distant landscape gives the work a sense of depth.

Theologically we see in Nicodemus (A Pharisee and a member of the Sanhedrin and the Jewish Council) that religion can become a matter of correct observance of religious rules and practices. When these practices become routine, they actually hinder spiritual growth and sensitivity. Nicodemus appears again in chapter 7 & 19.

He's convinced about the mission of God in Christ and is arguing for a just hearing for Jesus. His last appearance is to help Joseph of Arimathea with the burial of Jesus' body. Bringing Myrrh and Aloes. Nicodemus was someone in the dark – but who comes out into the light. Anyone who is in Christ, is a new creation (born from above). Everything old has passed away. Everything is new. The Spirit/Wind blows where it chooses, you hear the sound of it, but you don't know where it comes from or where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.

JESUS TEACHES NICODEMUS

Lord Jesus, grant me God's Holy Spirit that I may be born again to your new life to be courageous stepping more into your light like Nicodemus. Amen
Rev Sampson (including excerpts)



*Women's
Day Out*


In Amberley

Saturday, July 6th, 9am - 5pm

Meet at St Martin's at 8:45am

\$15 charge, lunch and transport provided

For more info and to RSVP contact
Catharine on 021 023 65492

 Greetings
ISLAND

GENERAL SYNOD WELCOMES ARCHBISHOP JUSTIN



Bishop of Wellington Justin Duckworth was received with acclamation as Archbishop by General Synod after Tikanga Pākehā presented him as their newly-elected Senior Bishop of the New Zealand Dioceses. Once installed Archbishop Justin will become one of the three Archbishops and Primates of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

Archbishop Justin Duckworth (56) has served as Bishop of Wellington since 2012, leading the diocese to deepen its culture of missional discipleship across all aspects of diocesan life. He is excited about building up the life of the wider Anglican Church.

“I’m looking forward to the privilege of serving across the Church, particularly in the three Tikanga space. I think what excites me is the potential in the

breadth of the Church and the diverse gifts that we bring and working together to enhance those gifts.”

“I believe passionately that God through his Church can make a profound difference, locally, provincially and to the world. And I think that difference is essential, now more than at any other time I’ve been alive.”

After Tikanga Pākehā announced Archbishop Justin’s name, Rev Dr Frank Smith from the Diocese of Polynesia stood for the diocese to formally welcome him and Polynesia’s delegates and supporters rose to offer a song of thanksgiving for his appointment. Dr Smith noted with thanks Bishop Justin’s prior work with the diocese and welcomed new collaborations for the future.

General Synod Te Hīnota Whānui has

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welcomed the election of the Right Reverend Justin Duckworth as the new Senior Bishop of the New Zealand Dioceses, and Archbishop and Primate of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia.

The Pihopatanga o Aotearoa likewise rose to their feet to welcome their new Archbishop-elect in song, offering their affirmation of his election in the General Synod Te Hinota Whānui after a formal mihi from Sir Selwyn Parata.

Archbishop Don Tamihere welcomed the new Archbishop's announcement.

"Both Tikanga Māori and Tikanga Polynesia look forward to extending the fullness of their whanaungatanga and aroha to Archbishop-elect Justin, Jenny and the family. We are incredibly excited about what the future holds."

Archbishop Don and Archbishop Justin both took a moment to acknowledge

Archbishop Philip Richardson, Belinda and their family.

"Archbishop Philip has been an incredible servant of God and this Church and I want to acknowledge his leadership and ministry." said Archbishop Don.

Archbishop Justin went on to give thanks for the privilege of working alongside Archbishop Philip for most of his time as Bishop of Wellington.

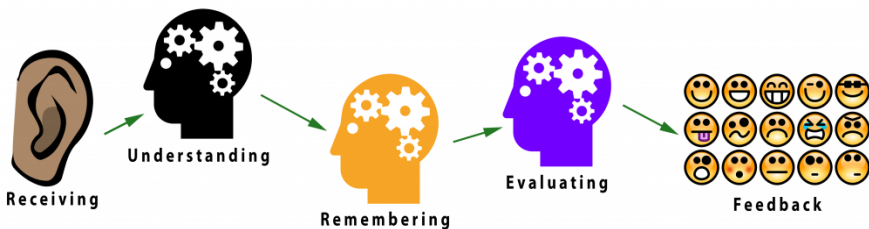
"I've been blessed to be under Archbishop Philip's leadership for eleven years and I acknowledge his incredibly sacrificial service, especially in this last year."

Archbishop Justin Duckworth will continue to serve as Bishop of Wellington based in Whanganui and alongside Assistant Bishop Anashuya Fletcher in Wellington.

Credit Anglican Taonga NZ



THEY'RE TALKING



They're Talking...But Are We Listening?

One of the special things about my young years was family dinner every evening. We each shared the joys and challenges of the day, and I always felt listened to. Now, as a mum, that's an important tradition for me to pass on to my son.

Listening to our children is important on a national scale too. Dame Rachel de Souza DBE, the Children's Commissioner for England, is tasked with doing just that. Her office launched a national survey of England's children so we could understand the state of the nation for them, truly written in their own words.

Over half a million children spoke in the largest response of its kind anywhere in the world. The data reveals a generation with shared concerns and ideas about what's important across age, gender, and ethnicity. As survivors of a global crisis, Generations Z and Alpha are emerging stronger and prematurely wise. In de Souza's words, 'this is not a "snowflake generation". It is a heroic generation.'

They speak of the deep need for real communication between family and friends, and critically, between

generations. They believe in family, want community, and to be healthy – mentally and physically. They want to escape the digital labyrinth in which they're trapped and to be involved in activities and sport. They want to feel safer, and to engage in and address issues about regional inequality, injustice, prejudice, and the environment. They like school and see education as important in and of itself, but also as a pathway to opportunity and fulfilling careers.

In The Message version, Psalm 127:3–4 says:

Don't you see that children are God's best gift?

The fruit of the womb his generous legacy?

Like a warrior's fistful of arrows are the children of a vigorous youth.

Oh, how blessed are you parents, with your quivers full of children!

The English children de Souza surveyed want to be part of reimagining a new society. But as she states: 'the window of opportunity is brief and if we let this moment pass, and all that attends it, then why ask in the first place? We simply go back to where we started'.

Our children are talking, but I'm not

convinced we are actually listening. Why not take some time out with the children on your frontlines, at home, in your community, at church, and in your local schools, and sit back and listen – really listen?

Lyn Weston
Director of Church of England
Relations, LICC

WORD FOR TODAY– A HEART FULL OF GOODNESS

Good people do the good that is in them. Luke 6:45 GWT

Where does goodness come from, and how can you cultivate more of it in your daily decisions and action? Some people think goodness is a matter of the head, and that right-thinking results in right living. Today every politician gives the impression that education is the panacea for practically every problem in society. Yet education of the head, without the same emphasis on integrity of the heart, will produce only clever friends. If education alone were the answer, white collar crimes would likely drop. Others think goodness is a matter of the hands. They say goodness means treating people well. But doing good does not make a person good. Murderers on death row may be good to their mothers, but they are not good individuals. The truth is, goodness is not located in the head or the hands;

it's hidden in your heart.

Jesus, the best man who ever lived, said, 'Good people do the good that is in them. Luke 6:45. Goodness is not merely a matter of what we know or what we do; it is a matter of what we are. As you consider the life ahead of you, what really matters is not how long you live but how well you live.

Sir Francis Bacon once said: 'Of all virtues and dignities of the mind, goodness is the greatest, being the character of Deity; and, without it, man is a busy, mischievous, wretched thing.' So in your desire to be good, draw closer to God. After all, you become like the company you keep.



DIOCESE MISSION IMPACT REVIEWS



As part of Bishop Peter’s Diocese “Year of Growth” and mission action plan, parishes across the diocese get a follow up (how are you doing?) Mission Impact Review.

This is a great review initiative where as previous years there has been little or no accountability. We as a church leadership, staff and governance team welcome such a review with open arms.

The review is specific to biblical growth as disciples making disciples, mission and regeneration in regard to vicars, vestry’s and parishioners. How is your local church doing with the biblical imperative to grow and also how are ‘you’ doing individually with the biblical imperative to grow?

I have already had a preliminary meeting late last year with Mark Chamberlain to get the ball rolling. This was very positive and encouraging meeting with praise and assurance from the Archdeacon of Regeneration Rev Mark Chamberlain that we as a

parish were on the right track and he quotes: “I’m extremely heartened by how seriously parishes are taking Mission Impact Reviews. MIRs are followed up by a visit from me to clergy and then to vestries to ask how things are going in the implementation of recommendations. Good things are happening as a result!

“The way it works is the three person review team led by Mark Chamberlain interviews the vicar and some vestry members and parishioners individually on the Saturday and then attends worship on the Sunday morning and talks to the congregation following morning tea about findings from the review. A draft report is then sent to St MJ’s and the vestry for comment before a final report is prepared”.

Review Dates: Saturday 24 & Sunday 25 August 2024 St MJ’s Church

Grace and Peace
Sampson

SHOEBOX MINISTRY



The AAW are planning ahead for Christmas. We would like you to help us out with some small gifts.

The \$2 shop or similar shops are good for picking up small colourful objects eg notebooks, pencils, rubbers, etc., which will fit into a shoebox as a Christmas gift for children. Please no glue or inks.

For more information please see Maxine Carlsen.

AAW

Our next meeting will be on Thursday afternoon on 13th June at 1.30pm in the Thompson Lounge.

Remember we are now having our meetings in the afternoon during the winter months.



Come and listen to Julie Wylie and learn about how the Lord has led her on an amazing musical journey to develop a special education music programme at the Champion centre. She has written books and composed a range of music resources that continue to be used across New Zealand and beyond.

Julie Wylie | Institute of Musical Play



Julie is an accomplished teacher and will be an inspirational speaker.

Our July meeting is on the 18th July and it will be a special High Tea.

This occasion will be a good opportunity to invite other members of the congregation and friends. All are welcome.

Again we will be meeting in the Thompson Lounge at 1.30pm.

—Sue Phillips

EXPLORING PRAYERFUL GROWTH HERE AT ST MJ'S

"All across the Diocese parishes are reporting new people turning up at worship – single people, families, older and young. Some are reconnecting after some time away from church, others are coming out of a new found interest and desire to explore Christianity and yet others have come through the route of experiencing the spiritual practices like prayer. It's amazing what God is doing in the community! The question is are we ready to reach out to these newcomers, build relationships with them and help them grow in faith? Jesus' last command to his disciples was 'make disciples' and we've got to be better at doing that. What has your parish put in place to make that happen?" Rev Mark Chamberlain Archdeacon of Regeneration.



and guided by our prayers, then something positive begins to happen. A positive culture can be cultivated by: Positive leaders, Positive prayer and discussion, Positive preaching and teaching. Growing church attendance by even one person is growth. All growth takes time, effort, prayer and commitment. What are we as a church realistically prepared for? We need to continually work hard to welcome those we have made contact with online, through contacts with the

Every church has its own culture. A culture has been defined as 'this is what we talk about the most'. Therefore, a Church Vestry, Staff Team or committee who spend most of their time talking about buildings, money problems and shortage of volunteers will have an anxiety filled negative culture. However, a church that talks about vision, growth and developing children's work will tend to have a much more positive culture. When our culture is empowered



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fringe', and as a result of our community caring and social action.

Growing in numbers and faith:

Growing as a church with a strong emphasis on numerical growth also addresses the challenge of spiritual growth (us growing closer to Christ), and missional growth (our churches growing in service to our communities). In fact, all of these three different areas of church growth are linked: growth in one area typically results in growth in the other areas. All of us are different, and each of us will have one of these areas which we feel most drawn. A healthy church is one that keeps a good balance of all three.

Calling all faithful prayers! What we do know at St MJ's is that God is faithful and hears our prayers. We see this constantly in the answered prayers of the faithful people of this church. Even

though this year we have felt that our theme is "Year of Growth" we still are called to pray and pray and pray without ceasing. We have SO many praying people who are praying at home or in groups. To me this is inspiring, purposeful and essential for the life and growth of our church. If you want to know more about prayer or want to belong to a prayer group and or pray in your own place please talk to Sue, Nigel or Sampson. We have also produced prayer cards that include our 2024 focused prayers along with a collect prayer for growth that is being prayed around the diocese. We would love you to join in with praying these three focused prayers on the right hand side as well as the collect prayer for growth on the left hand side beginning with "God of mission.....,"

Rev Sampson

Prayer for Growth

God of mission who alone brings growth to your Church. Send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers. In spiritual commitment to you. And in service to our local community. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

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Focused prayer

-Holy Spirit move in power, with diverse people of all ages & cultures growing closer to you Jesus.
-We pray for the mission community of leaders, young adult disciples. May they grow as mission focused followers of you Jesus.
-Bring us together in faith groups as we study your word, hear your voice and follow your ways

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Over the past two months we have had Easter, our first school holidays for the year and the start of term 2! This year for Easter we had two main events for the children. The first event was the Passover Meal and the second was the Easter Egg Hunt! Both these events were a lot of fun! We have also had our biggest Kids Church just before Easter where every child on our Kids Church roll was in attendance.

You may have noticed some changes in our kids spaces recently. We have put a divider in the Thompson Lounge to create a designated Pre-School Space. The main reason for this was because it is important that we are actively looking at best practices and how we are protecting the children while at church.

As the Thompson Lounge is used as a way to access the toilets we must look at what we are doing to keep our children safe. The Thompson Lounge is the best place for the pre-schoolers as it is close to church and the toilets. As we cannot stop people from using the Thompson Lounge during Kids Church we have had to look for a solution. The divider has been achieving a few things: Keeping kids from running out into the foyer and carpark, preventing the older members of a congregation from being trip up by the active children while walking to the toilets and making a clear barrier that no unauthorised

person should cross. This will enable the leaders of the preschool group to keep our children safer. This is an important step in making sure we are actively practicing safeguarding for our most vulnerable in our church.

- Azaria Peach, Children's Worker



SITUATIONS VACANT



DRIVERS– Wednesday or Sunday Services

We are requesting that a few people offer to drive some of our congregation to Church for our Wednesday or Sunday services.

Please contact Sue Phillips if you can help on 029 776 1782.

CLEAN UP—PLAYGROUP



Our Playgroup team are asking for someone to come and help with cleaning up at the end of our sessions. It will involve packing up and vacuuming out the Neave Room. If you could come around 11.30am that would be such a great help for this important ministry.

Please contact Sue Phillips on 029 776 1782

FOODBANK

St MARTIN'S & St JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH

If you, your family, friends, or neighbours are struggling do advise them of our Foodbank.

St MARTIN'S & St JAMES CHURCH

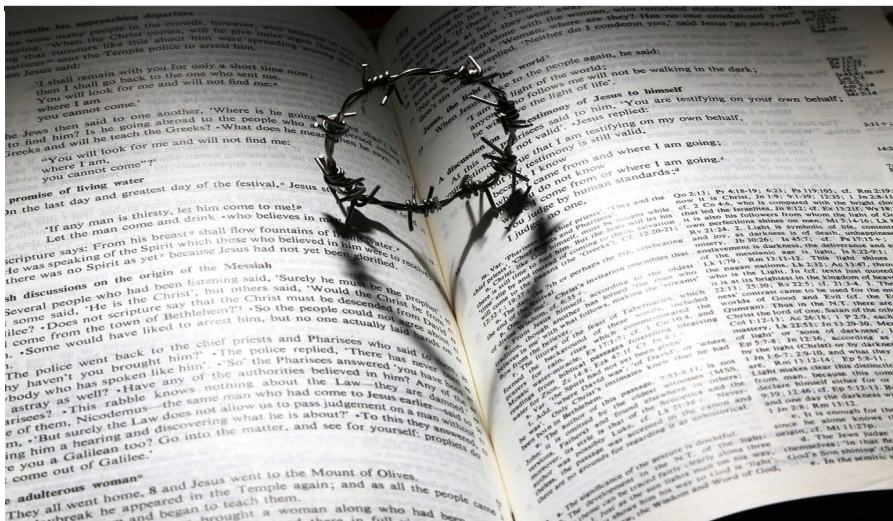
50 Lincoln Rd
Spreydon

Foodbank open

Wednesday 9.30-11am

Donations of non perishable food items would be gratefully received so we can help more members of our community thrive and not just survive.

WINTER BIBLE MONTH—DIGGING DEEPER



The Bible has shaped the laws and politics of many western countries and influenced language, music and art. Today it continues to inspire many millions of Christians around the world. But what exactly is it?

The Bible is a remarkable collection of ancient writings Christians believe to be God's revelation to people. Some people say it's actually like a library of books and letters all bound up in one. The Bible tells the story of God's relationship with the masterpiece of his creation – people. The Bible says that its words are 'God-breathed' and God inspired the writers as they recorded his words.

The Bible consists of two parts – the Old Testament (the time before Jesus) and the New Testament (during and after Jesus' life). The list of books that make up the Bible is called the canon. However, the canon is different for

different Christian churches. All Christian Bibles have the same 39 books in the Old Testament and 27 books in the New Testament, but Catholics include seven more books in their Old Testament (commonly referred to as the Deuterocanonical) plus some additional material in the books of Daniel and Esther. Orthodox Christians also recognise some other books in their canons. The 39 books of the Old Testament also form the Hebrew Bible of the Jewish people.

The books and letters in the Bible were written by more than forty different people over a period of more than 1,000 years. Some of the writers were kings, royal officials, poets and even a doctor, while some parts were written by poor uneducated fishermen. There are also some parts of the Bible where scholars and historians are unsure of authorship.

WINTER BIBLE MONTH—DIGGING DEEPER

There are several different types of writings included in the Bible. The Old Testament is made up of historical books, law, poetry, wisdom and prophetic books. The New Testament is made up of four Gospels, one history book, 21 letters and one prophetic book.

The Bible is foundational to the Christian faith. It is through the Bible that people we can learn more about God and his plan to restore all people and the entire world to himself, by sending his son Jesus Christ saviour to live on earth.

Be inspired: Throughout our Bible teaching series and small groups we hope we will all experience the Bible in a way that is approachable, engaging, and transformative in a number of ways:

First, through the literary art of the Scriptures and tracing biblical themes from beginning to end. This is for all people and it is to draw our eyes to its unified message.

Second, with biblical storying, this simply means, telling the stories of the Bible based on chronological order, themes, needs of the audience, and so on. Telling a story is not the same as reading it. Storytelling was something Jesus implemented often in his time here on earth, both with his disciples and as he was teaching the crowds.

Third, Learn a simple structured way of opening the Bible with someone, to coach and help you encounter God

through His living Word. Here at St MJ's we have trained coaches/leaders who will be extensively modelling and teaching people a simple way of opening and discovering the bible in a fresh new way with each other in order that we encounter God directly through his living word. The aim is to allow people to discover God's truth for themselves, rather than relying on a leader. As for the leader/coaches who will help, they are there to empower, and to pray, not to have all the answers.

What now? At the conclusion of the Sunday teaching series on the bible we will be hosting a celebration with a shared lunch with an option to continue with a one hour small group teaching/coaching series on how to encounter God and get the most out of the bible.

Could you lead a home group series yourself or ask a leader to start you off.

- Sampson



MISSION

Our Friend travelled to New Zealand in May and we were thrilled she could come and share with us and CMS members during an afternoon we hosted in the Neave Room. Hearing her life story and the work she has been involved with on the mission field was very interesting and insightful of what her commitment over more than fifty years has involved. The translation of the books of the Bible is an ongoing task which she continues with her translator and we pray for their work with this and the printing of the transcripts. Please continue to hold Elaine in your prayers and especially for her health.

Lorna & Ajit Das continue with the winding up of their work at Jibon in **Bangladesh**. Pray for all those involved in the transfer of the outreach work into the fisherman villages, the men visited, the women who meet and the children and their schooling scholarships. After some 33 years working with the people of Bangladesh it will not be easy for Ajit & Lorna to wind this work up as they prepare to retire back in New Zealand. Please especially pray for Ajit's health and that flight travel home will go well (he requires oxygen to fly).

Munyuku Secondary School in Zimbabwe continues to finish the building of the Administration Block. See the latest photos on the Church noticeboard. It's the building with the lovely blue roof. The red roofed buildings are the classrooms. Please continue to pray for the children at the

school for the opportunities to now have a great education and progress with their future learning and employment.

Neill and Rebekah Dunbar are working on the church planting opportunities in **Cambodia** and their children Jonathan, Aaron and Emily are enjoying being with friends they have made at Hope school. Pray for ongoing opportunities for this church outreach. They have a great core of regular attenders. Pray for deepening relationships and a love for one another despite all their differences. The Khmer church based in the boys' study dormitory is active with 20-30 people each week. Pray that the Gospel message is taught faithfully in the Church and pray for the Khmer men and women who attend that they will grow in faith to know Jesus.

The **Empower Asia** mission work enables young people to be guided into safe housing and learning so that they can see good futures for their lives. Jamie & Lily Somerville continue to work with this mission outreach while they remain in NZ at present. Please pray for the safety of those who are being shown the way of the Lord in their lives.

Along with our overseas Mission partners please also pray for those reaching out here at home especially those who will be gathered in to mission at **200 Riccarton Road**.

MISSION

From the **CMS** – ‘Staying is the new Going’, if you aren’t called to mission overseas then you are called to mission at home, in your community. Every disciple is called to participate in God’s mission.

Please continue to pray for all those involved in mission, both at home and overseas.

Blessings

Sharon Rees, Missions Co-Ordinator



Fundraiser

High Tea

July 20th
2pm-4pm

Bake sale and raffles available

50 Lincoln Road
Tickets \$25

Contact Catharine on 02102365492
for tickets of more information

Greetings ISLAND

The poster features a central white teapot with a pink and white striped handle. Surrounding the teapot are various tea-related items: a silver spoon and fork at the top, a teabag on the right, a black mug with white flowers and a pink mug at the bottom right, and a three-layered cake with pink frosting and a strawberry on the bottom left. The background is a light pink color with small white dots and a few gold stars.

Save these dates: Quiz Night—14 September

Christmas High Tea—9 November

FOOD BANK—S^t MARTIN'S

Non perishable food items can be left in the Food bank basket at the back of St Martin's Church. We are currently in need of the following items:
breakfast cereals, sugar (500g), sandwich spreads, soups, tins of baked beans, tins of spaghetti, pasta, and pasta sauces, tins of vegetables, tins of fruit, and tea bags (30s). All donations are gratefully received.



SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES JUNE 2024

Sunday June 2		Pentecost
8.30am	Traditional Service with HC	Isaiah 42:10-20
10.30am	Family Service	2 Corinthians 5:14-19
10.30am	Kids' Church:	Matthew 7:24-29
Sunday June 9		Pentecost
8.30am	Traditional Service with HC	1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), 16-20, (11:14-15)
10.30am	Family Service with HC	Psalm 138
10.30am	Kids' Church:	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
		Mark 3:20-35
Sunday June 16		Pentecost
8.30am	Traditional Service with HC	1 Samuel 15:34-16:13
	Parish Breakfast	Psalm 20
10.30am	Family Service	2 Corinthians 5:6-10, (11-13), 14-17
10.30am	Kids' Church:	Mark 4:26-34
Sunday June 23		Pentecost
8.30am	Traditional Service with HC	A. 1 Samuel 17: (1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49
10.30am	Family Service with HC	Psalm 9:9-20 or
10.30am	Kids' Church:	B. 1 Samuel 17: 17:57-18:5, 10-16
		Psalm 133
		2 Corinthians 6:1-13
		Mark 4:35-41
Sunday June 30		Pentecost
8.30am	Traditional Service with HC	2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27
10.30am	Family Service with HC	Psalm 130
10.30am	Kids' Church:	2 Corinthians 8:7-15
		Mark 5:21-43

SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES JULY 2024

Sunday July 7		Pentecost
8.30am	Traditional Service with HC	2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10
10.30am	Family Service	Psalm 48
10.30am	Kids' Church:	2 Corinthians 12:2-10
		Mark 6:1-13
Sunday July 14		Pentecost
8.30am	Traditional Service with HC	2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19
10.30am	Family Service with HC	Psalm 24
10.30am	Kids' Church:	Ephesians 1:3-14
		Mark 6:14-29
Sunday July 21		Pentecost
8.30am	Traditional Service with HC	2 Samuel 7:1-14a
	Parish Breakfast	Psalm 89:20-36
10.30am	Family Service	Ephesians 2:11-22
10.30am	Kids' Church:	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
Sunday July 28		Pentecost
8.30am	Traditional Service with HC	2 Samuel 11:1-15
10.30am	Family Service with HC	Psalm 14
10.30am	Kids' Church:	Ephesians 3:14-21
		John 6:1-21

- **Mondays—Prayer Meeting:** 4-5pm, Neave Room, St Martin's. This is a time of pray and praying for prayer requests. Term time
 - **Night prayers on Zoom:** Tuesday only, 9.15pm For a new login: email C h r i s T h o r n e a t billchris54@gmail.com to join the Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 813 8708 0736 Passcode: jX3m77
 - **Morning devotion:** Focused prayer, Tuesdays at 9am, Neave Room. Term time.
 - **Thursday 13 June & Thursday 18 July—AAW Meeting:** 1.30pm in the Thompson Lounge.
 - **Women's Day Out—Saturday 6 July** meet at 8.45am at St Martin's to carpool to Amberley. Contact Catharine to book your place on 021 023 65492
 - **High Tea—20 July:** 2-4pm in the Thompson Lounge.
- GROUPS & ACTIVITIES**
- **Mondays—Strengthen and Stretch Exercise Class:** A Low Impact class, 6.00-6.30pm. General exercise class at 6.30-7.15pm on Monday nights, school terms. St Martin's gym. \$5 per session or \$45 per term. All welcome. Contact: the physio team at TuneUp Physio Village Health 338 8595 or visit www.tuneupphysio.nz.
 - **School of Good Soil:** Disciple training: See Sampson.
 - **Wednesday mornings—Foodbank:** 9.30-11am: Joan 339 7135.
 - **Friday mornings—school term time: St Martin's Playgroup:** Any enquires to Azaria 0204026 1160 or via the facebook page.
 - **Harvest Rangatahi (Youth):** <https://stmartinsstjames.church/youth>—Term time
 - Harvest Thursday – 7-9pm: The Loft

Street Prayers

For the month of June in our personal prayers can we pray for all those who live on Hoon Hay Road.

Proverbs 8:34

Blessed are those who listen to me, watching daily at my doors, waiting at my doorway. (NIV)

Saint MJ's Anglican Church
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PARISH LIFE

Matariki Winter Sundays Lunch

June 30 - July 7, 14, 21

Hot Soup and Crusty bread



Matariki Mid Winter Shared Sunday Lunches ARE BACK!!!

Host a lunch or simply attend a lunch.

Host will provide some soup.

If you are attending please bring either soup, a nice winter
sourdough or similar

Email Sampson if you would like to host a lunch.

Email Sampson if you would like to attend lunch after church (or
sign up clip board at church)

June 30th Host Jules May and the May Whānau

Hosts needed for - July 7th - July 14th - July 21st