



**Sunday 26 March 2017**  
**4th Sunday in Lent - Mothering Sunday**  
*Te Rātapu Tuawhā o Rēneti*

*Naumai, Haere mai! Welcome!*

It's good to have you here with us today. We hope that in our worship you may encounter God afresh and enjoy the company of others.

If you are new to our faith community, visiting with us, or bringing greetings from another faith community, we'd love to chat with you before or after our worship.

**Please stay for morning tea and fellowship after our worship.**

**Sentence** 'I am the light of the world,' says the Lord; 'those who follow me will have the light of life.'  
*John 8:12*

**Collect** **God of healing and sight, we long to see with eyes of faith. Heal all that blinds us, renew our vision, and grant us to see afresh all that you are doing; in the healing presence of the Holy Spirit and through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

<b>Readings</b>	<i>Contemporary English Version</i>
Colossians 3:12-15	<i>Peace from Christ</i>
John 19:25-27	<i>The mother of Jesus</i>



*A very warm welcome to families and staff of Wellesley College, and to the Cathedral Choristers and their families today. During our service Hector Hewins, Wellesley student and Cathedral Chorister, will be baptised, along with his father, Christopher.*  
*Our worship today is extra family-friendly, so please do not worry about any noise, and feel free to come and go as you need to with your little ones.*

## Today

### 10am All Together Service, Eucharist and Baptism at Wellesley

Presider	Reverend Dr Eleanor Sanderson
Preacher	Reverend Dr Eleanor Sanderson
Set-up / pack-up	Wendy Manson, Keith Young
Welcomers	Jean & Geoff Martel, Jeremy Lovell-Smith, Wendy Manson
Liturgical Assistant	Stuart Mossman
Reader	Wellesley student
Intercessions	Wellesley students
Musician	Richard Apperley and Cathedral Choristers
Sound / tech	Peter Baldock
Morning tea	Mike and Priscilla Synnott

### 7pm UP! at Wellesley



### Bishop-elect Ellie



We pray for Ellie, Tim, Zac and Joe following Wednesday's announcement of Ellie's appointment as a Bishop in our province of the Anglican Church, and as Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Wellington. May God's abundant blessings be upon them as they lean into this fresh call to serve in God's church.

### Morning tea in Lent

*During Lent we follow last year's pattern of offering a "plain option" for those who seek to maintain a discipline of simplicity during Lent. We continue to offer generous hospitality throughout the year, particularly as we welcome visitors and newcomers, and we give thanks for all who provide food for our shared fellowship over morning tea.*

### Prayers

**Our community:** During our Lenten journey, may we listen to the nudges and prompts of God's Holy Spirit and be open to opportunities for transformation, however tiny, as we seek to deepen our connection with God this Lent. We pray for Hector and Christopher, baptised today.

**Our ministry and mission:** We pray for faith, hope and love to surround us as we work through the decision making discernment of our parish's future mission and ministry, particularly in our third parish workshop on Wednesday evening this week.

**Diocesan cycle of prayer:** All mothers in the diocese on Mothering Sunday; Mission to Seafarers Committee: Bishop Justin, John Boniface, Dennis Cassells-Minnoch, Gillian Cross, Barrie Gimson, Richard Lough, Lance Lukin and Morris van Voornveld.

**Anglican Missions prayer cycle:** The Province of Southern Africa and its people; all involved in the Institute for Healing of Memories and its work; and all churches as they promote unity, tolerance, mutual respect and cooperation across the province.

**Prayer cycle of the worldwide Anglican Communion:** Mexico - The Rt Revd Carlos Touche-Porter.

**Prayer for the persecuted church:** We pray for protection for Christian women in places of persecution, especially those who have to go out to work in dangerous situations.

**Homes and families:** We pray that our homes and families will be places where the Christian story comes alive day by day in our love, encouragement and support of one another.

**Rhythm of prayer:** Thank you to those who have committed to praying for our parish in a regular rhythm through the week. There are also specific prayer requests which we receive in our parish, which Reverend Ellie circulates. Do talk with Ellie if you would like to participate in this rhythm of prayer, or the ministry of intercession, or if you would like to receive prayer support.

**TONIGHT "UP!" 7pm All welcome**

Come along this evening for free-flowing reflective music and prayer. A special way to end the weekend.

**Weekly Chapel at Wellesley**

Wellesley College's weekly chapel service is at 9.15am on Monday mornings. Anyone from St Alban's is very welcome to join in this sacred time.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING 7-9pm: 3rd Parish Consultation Workshop**

with Denise Church, here at Wellesley. All parishioners welcome. Background information following the second workshop is coming by email, and printed booklets will be available on Wednesday evening.

**Reflection Time for Women coming soon**

A chance to catch up and reflect on God's word. This will be on Tuesdays 7.30-8.30pm at the St Ronan's fellowship room, start date yet tbc, but probably after Easter. Contact Jennie Lovell-Smith 562 0242 if you would like to join her this Tuesday at 7.30pm at St Ronan's to pray for this initiative.

**This Friday 31 March, 6.30pm, Lecture by Rev'd Ellie** at Wellington Cathedral, with the University of Otago Centre for Theology and Public Issues. "*Seeking the Common Good in a World of Self-interest.*" All welcome. Prior refreshments at 6pm.

**Wellington City Mission goes to the movies!**

Saturday 1 April, 12.45pm, Embassy Theatre, Wgtn City. Adults \$20, Kids \$15 (14 & under), Family of 4 \$60 (max. 2 adults). Tickets from [www.ticketek.co.nz](http://www.ticketek.co.nz)

**Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter 9-16 April**

Collect a flier from the back of church with a list of Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter worship and events.

**Via Lucis - The Way of Light**

A reflective journey through the 50 days of Easter. You'll receive two emails per week, 17 April - 3 June, and gather for a concluding day of reflection on Saturday 3 June at the Cathedral. \$60. Register with Molly King 04 2933310 or Andrew Pritchard 04 9046764. Pick up a leaflet at the back of church with more details.

**This week**

<b>Mon</b>	Rev'd Ellie at Wellesley: <i>morning</i> Kitchen booking: <i>all day</i>
<b>Tue</b>	Kitchen booking: <i>all day</i>
<b>Wed</b>	Morning Prayer: <i>9am, vicarage</i> Centering Prayer: <i>12noon, vicarage</i> Rev'd Ellie at Wellesley: <i>afternoon</i> Parish Consultation Workshop 3 <i>7pm, Wellesley</i>
<b>Thurs</b>	Intercessory Prayer: <i>7am,</i> <i>6 Ferry Rd, Days Bay</i> Morning Prayer: <i>9am, vicarage</i> Eucharist: <i>10am, 17 Marine Pde</i> Lenten Study: <i>7.30pm, vicarage</i>
<b>Fri</b>	Pop in and Play: <i>9am, St Ronan's</i>
<b>Sat</b>	Contemplative Prayer: <i>8am,</i> <i>1 / 47 Pukatea St</i>

**Coming Up**

<b>Wed 5 Apr</b>	Vestry meeting, <i>6.30pm</i>
<b>9 Apr</b>	Palm Sunday
<b>Tue 11 Apr</b>	KnitWits, 2-4pm, 1 Heketara St
<b>16 Apr</b>	Easter Day

**We welcome you!**

We'd love to welcome you to our contact list - to be in touch every so often about what's coming up at St Alban's, and/or to receive our weekly families email. Fill out a card on the table at the back of church and give to Revd Judith.

**Anglican Missions Lenten Appeal**

Envelopes are at the back of church. Please take one and bring back on a Sunday during Lent. You can choose the project your donation goes to - details are on the envelopes.

**Thursday 10am Rhythm of Worship**

**30 Mar** Home of Sally & Alan Collins,  
*17 Marine Parade*

*April venues will be advised next week.*

*If you would like to support the mission and ministry of our faith community by giving regularly, and/or serving in a particular ministry role, please talk with the clergy or wardens, or contact the parish office.*

## Sunday 2 April - 10am Eucharist at Wellesley

Presider	Reverend Dr Eleanor Sanderson
Preacher	Reverend Judith Wigglesworth
Set-up / pack-up	Hamish Pilbrow, Myles Breen
Welcomers	Keith Levy, John Nippert, Denis Packer, Philip Plimmer
Liturgical Assistant	Scott Champion
2nd chalice	Carolyn Parker
Readers	Keith Levy, Annie Hayward
Intercessions	Scott Champion
Musicians	Music team
Sound / tech	<i>tbc</i>
All age activity	<i>tbc</i>
Morning tea	Lilian Martin, Marina Hanbury-Sparrow



### Gospel Readings this week

#### Monday

John 4:43-end

#### Tuesday

John 5:1-3, 5-16

#### Wednesday

John 5:17-30

#### Thursday

John 5:31-end

#### Friday

John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

#### Saturday

John 7:40-52

### Readings next Sunday

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45



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