



St Alban's Anglican Parish of Eastbourne, New Zealand

Sunday 14 May 2017 5th Sunday of Easter

Te Rātapu Tuarima o te Aranga

Naumāi, Haere māi! 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 way, and the truth, and the life,' says the Lord. 'No one comes to the Father except through me.'
John 14:6

Collect **God of truth, hidden force of all creation, you long to set us free. Confront us with your tenderness, fire us with your justice; that, at your coming, we too may set the world alight. Through our saviour Jesus Christ our Lord who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Readings

Acts 7: 55-60

1 Peter: 2: 2-10

John: 14 1-14

Revised English Bible

The stoning of Stephen

The living stone and a chosen people

Jesus the way to the Father



Welcome to children and families today.

Today: mystery activities led by the guys, for Mothers' Day! Children gather at the front after the first song for a prayer of blessing, then return to worship in time for Communion.

Today	10am Eucharist at Wellesley
Presider	Reverend Dr Eleanor Sanderson
Preacher	Reverend Dr Eleanor Sanderson
Set-up / pack-up	Philip Plimmer, Hamish Pilbrow
Welcomers	John Nippert, Graham Olds, Denis Packer, Philip Plimmer
Liturgical Assistant	Mike Synnott
2nd chalice	Lynda Etevenaux
Readers	Priscilla Synnott, Annie Hayward
Intercessions	Mike Synnott
Musician	Peter Baldock
All-age activities	Tim Sanderson and some other guys
Sound / tech	Denis Packer, Amelia Ward
Morning tea	Sarah White, Sandra Gillespie

Prayers

- ◆ **Easter:** “Easter is not an event that has occurred; it’s an adventure that has begun”. During the 50 days of the Easter season we pray for a continuing sense of hope as a resurrection people, raising our eyes to Jesus Christ as each new day dawns.
- ◆ **Our community:** We pray for the seniors in our community, and for all who are involved in offering opportunities for fellowship and companionship, eg Take A Break and other seniors’ gatherings in the community.
- ◆ **Our ministry and mission:** We pray for members of our parish and local community in the midst of major transitions, eg moving to new homes or retirement villages, having children or family members move away, or facing health challenges. We pray for Reverend Judith undergoing surgery tomorrow. *Have no fear for I have redeemed you; I call you by name and you are mine. I am the Lord your God, your deliverer. Isaiah 43:1, 3.*
- ◆ **Diocesan cycle of prayer:** Trinity College of Wellington Trust Board: Jonathan Boston, Tim McKenzie and Ellie Sanderson.
- ◆ **Anglican Missions prayer cycle:** New Zealand Church Missionary Society and those serving overseas as mission partners, particularly as they equip groups to serve their local communities.
- ◆ **Prayer cycle of the worldwide Anglican Communion:** New Jersey (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd William Stokes.
- ◆ **Prayer for the persecuted church:** We pray for all Christians in Saudi Arabia, thanking God for the work of the Holy Spirit to nourish them in their faith. We pray especially for those who are isolated in their faith, not able to meet with other believers.
- ◆ **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.



Mission Table begins next week

Our mission table begins for the year next Sunday. Please bring along produce from your garden, preserves, baking, little treasures and nic nacs...anything really! And bring your coins too. It's amazing how our giving mounts up.

KnitWits This Tuesday, 2-4pm

The KnitWits are making beanies and rugs, plus trying our skills at bedsocks and socks, and maybe some little toys. Come and join us, you don't have to be able to knit before you start. Please contact Joy Baird 568 3225 for more information. Our next gathering is at the home of Margaret Turner, 3D Rona House this Tuesday. Please let Margaret know on 562 8378 if you are able to come. See you then!

'Reflection Time for Women', Every Tuesday, 7.30 - 8.30pm, at St Ronan's

All women welcome, each week or every so often. Come to catch up and reflect on God's word. Jennie 562 0242.

SEAT update

We have had three stimulating consultation workshops led by the skilled facilitator, Denise Church. The next part in the process is for a group of those who participated in the workshops to work out more detailed descriptions of possible choices for the parish to consider at the 4th consultation workshop. We are calling that group the GREATER SEAT. That group will have the exacting task of preparing and presenting some potential options. Watch this space.

Israeli Dance - 4 Mondays from 15 May

A course for beginners or those returning to dance after a break. Contact Val Meyer for more info. Email valerie.meyer@xtra.co.nz or phone 562 8181.

Hymn-a-long Sunday 21 May Moera Gospel Chapel

157 Randwick Road, Moera, Lower Hutt, 4.30 – 5.30pm followed by a finger food tea (contributions appreciated).

A Caring Space - for Caregivers

Thursday 18 May, Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine St, Island Bay, 11am-2pm.

Thursday 25 May, Our Lady of Grace Church, 5 Palmer St, Heretaunga, Upper Hutt, 11am-2pm

If you or someone you know cares for a loved one at home you might enjoy this chance to pause and reflect. BYO lunch, hot drinks provided. \$10. Contact Veronica Parton vi@dap@gmail.com or 021 238 6675.

This week

Mon	Rev'd Ellie at Wellesley: <i>morning Wellesley Chapel service: 9.15am</i> Kitchen booking: <i>all day</i>
Tues	Knit Wits: 2-4pm, Home of Margaret Turner, 3D Rona House Reflection Time for Women: 7.30pm, St Ronan's
Wed	Morning Prayer: 9am, vicarage Kitchen booking: <i>all day</i> Centering Prayer: 12noon, vicarage Rev'd Ellie at Wellesley: <i>afternoon</i>
Thurs	Intercessory Prayer: 7am, 6 Ferry Rd, Days Bay Morning Prayer: 9am, vicarage Eucharist: 10am, 1 Heketara Street
Fri	Pop in and Play: 9am, St Ronan's
Sat	Contemplative Prayer: 8am, 1 / 47 Pukatea St

Coming Up

Fri 26 May	Community farewell for Reverend Ellie: 6pm, RSA
Sun 28 May	Parish farewell and pot luck lunch for Reverend Ellie
Sun 28 May	UP! 7pm at Wellesley
25 May - 4 Jun	Week of Prayer from Ascension to Pentecost
Fri 2 June	Reverend Ellie's consecration as Bishop: 6pm, Cathedral
Sun 11 June	10am Art Sermon: <i>Phyllis Mossman and Peter Stuart</i>

Thursday 10am Rhythm of Worship

18 May	Home of Sheila Johnson 1 Heketara Street
25 May	San Antonio's Church
1 June	Home of Sheila Johnson 1 Heketara Street
8 June	St Ronan's Church
15 June	Home of Margaret Turner 3D Rona House
22 June	San Antonio's Church
29 June	Home of Sheila Johnson 1 Heketara Street

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.

Next Sunday 21 May - 10am Eucharist at Wellesley

Presider	Reverend Tony Gardiner
Preacher	Reverend Tony Gardiner
Set-up / pack-up	Myles Breen, Liz Barrow
Welcomers	Kevin & Helen Mosley, Mike & Carolyn Parker
Liturgical Asst	Jutta Chisholm
2nd chalice	Tony Martin
Readers	Joy Baird, Tony Martin
Intercessions	Jutta Chisholm
Musicians	Music team
All-age activities	Jen Young
Sound / tech	<i>tbc</i>
Morning tea	Leonie Burke, Heather Molloy



Gospel Readings this week

Monday

John 14:21-26

Tuesday

John 14:27-end

Wednesday

John 15:1-8

Thursday

John 15:9-11

Friday

John 15:12-17

Saturday

John 15:18-21

Readings next Sunday

Acts 17:22-31

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21



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Pastoral Care Coordinators	Jennie Lovell-Smith Jean Martel	562 0242 562 7415
Priests (Hon)	Reverend Canon Peter Stuart, Reverend Tony Gardiner	
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