



**Sunday 27 August 2017**  
**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
***Te Rātapu Rua Tekau mā tahi o He wā noa iho***

***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:** Martha said, Yes Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world. John 11:27

**Collect:** **Living God, you sent your Son Jesus to your people. Embolden your church to proclaim Jesus as Messiah, and to trust in him. We ask this through the Son of the Living God, 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**

Isaiah 51: 1- 6

Romans 12: 1- 8

Matthew 16: 13 - 20

**Revised English Bible**

*Blessings in store for God's people*

*The new life in Christ*

*Peter's declaration about Jesus*



**Welcome to children and families today**

Our All Age Activities continue today for Term 3

Children gather at the front after the first song for a prayer of blessing and return to our worship in time for Communion.

Today	10am Eucharist at Wellesley
Presider	Reverend Judith Wigglesworth
Preacher	Reverend Judith Wigglesworth
Set-up / pack-up	Keith Young and Stephen Lee
Welcomers	Penny and John Grigg, Stephen Lee
Liturgical Asst	Mike Synnott
2nd chalice	Linda Etevenaux
Readers	Carolyn Parker – OT : Katherine Fahey — Epistle
Intercessions	Mike Synnott
Musician	Libby Bloomfield and team
All-age activities	John Parr
Sound / tech	Denis Packer
Morning tea	Sandra Gillespie and Priscilla Synnott
UP!	7pm at Wellesley

## Prayers

- ◆ **Our community:** We join our prayers with those of all who gather around the diocese today for services of lament over the housing crisis. We pray especially for the people of St Paul's Waiwhetu and St David's Naenae as they gather on vacant Housing New Zealand land near Eponi Railway Station, and for other congregations gathering across Wellington and the diocese to collectively mark our sorrow at society's failure to ensure all New Zealanders have a home.
- ◆ **Our ministry and mission:** May we look outward and forward – how will you share the Gospel with others this week?
- ◆ **Diocesan cycle of prayer:** We pray for the Pauatahanui Parish and Pete and Ange Watson and Fiona and Julian Thomson and for Cursillo Men's 41 participants.
- ◆ **Anglican Missions prayer cycle:** We pray for the Province of Central Africa and the Most Rev'd Albert Chama and the Rt Rev'd John Osmer and his work with refugees. We also pray for the Province of Uganda and the Most Rev'd Stanley Ntagali and the NZCMS Mission partners, Nick and Tessa Laing, who are serving in Uganda along with Miriam Tillman serving in Togo, West Africa.
- ◆ **Prayer cycle of the worldwide Anglican Communion:** This week we pray for The Rt Rev Maternus Kapinga in Tanzania.
- ◆ **Prayer for the persecuted church:** We pray for the Christians in Syria who have endured six years of conflict and anti-Christian persecution. May their testimony and faith, in spite of great losses of family, homes, jobs and health, continue to be strengthened.
- ◆ **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 Judith circulates. Do talk with Judith 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.

### A prayer for our interregnum

*God of love, you are with us in every transition and change. We lean into your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love. We thank you for the gifts, passions and skills with which you bless us. Guide us as we move onward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another. We ask this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.*

**Thank you!** Thanks to everyone who supported the film night last Sunday by coming along, selling tickets, preparing food, contributing raffle items, and making donations. We had virtually a full house with over 100 tickets sold. It looks like we made a profit of \$1500, and we had plenty of fun along the way!

**Local Mission**

A big thank you to those who contribute regularly to the food basket and support the Mission Table. On Sunday 13 August there were 11 items. The Mission Table collected \$98.10. Let's keep up our mission giving and watch our offerings grow. *(From the Mission Team)*

**Take A Break**

Our monthly gathering for seniors is going very well, and we could do with a 2-3 more drivers to pick up seniors (at either 10am or 11am) and/or take them home at 1pm. Please contact the parish office or Elaine Parr (027 349 8635) if you're free on a Thursday once a month to help.

**Turangawaewae Art Project** An art project exploring the impacts of homelessness, launched today at 4pm at the Cathedral, followed by 5pm service of lament. Open all week: 42 art works by 15 artists. Joint collaboration of Wellington City Mission and the Cathedral.

**"Where There is Life" film**

This film, screened in the recent Film Festival, is about Stephen Lee and his family as they journeyed alongside Margaret after her diagnosis with motor neuron disease. A further screening **TODAY, 2pm**, at The Lighthouse, Petone.

**New City Mission Shop in Petone**

After over a year of successful trading the Wellington City Mission is opening a second store at 238 Jackson St, Petone. Feel free to drop in to visit or take in high quality used goods for sale.

**Synod Feedback Opportunity**

This year Synod will be considering some changes to the Synod Canon, and one issue being canvassed is the possibility of church wardens and vestry members being elected for a term of two years, like Synod reps. The diocese has invited feedback in an online questionnaire, so do go online to [www.movementonline.org.nz](http://www.movementonline.org.nz) (search for "Special Synod update") to read about the pros and cons and give your feedback. Also feel free to find out more from Cushla or Philip, our Synod reps, and offer your thoughts.

This week	
<b>Mon</b>	Kitchen booking: <i>all day</i> Libby Bloomfield at Wellesley: 9.15am Wellesley Chapel Service
<b>Tues</b>	Kitchen booking: <i>all day</i> 7.30pm Reflection Time for Women: <i>St Ronan's</i>
<b>Wed</b>	9am Morning Prayer: <i>St Alban's hall foyer</i> 12 noon Centering Prayer: <i>St Alban's hall foyer.</i> Libby at Wellesley: <i>afternoon.</i>
<b>Thurs</b>	7am Intercessory Prayer 9am Morning Prayer: <i>St Alban's hall foyer</i> 10am Eucharist: 3D Rona House, <i>Home of Margaret Turner.</i>
<b>Fri</b>	9am-11.30am Pop in and Play, <i>St Ronan's</i>
<b>Sat</b>	8am Contemplative Prayer, <i>1/47 Pukatea Street</i>

Coming Up	
<b>Mon 4 Sept</b>	Guys' Group, "The Still Room", Oroua Street
<b>Sat 9 Sept</b>	St Alban's hosting St Anne's retreat day at St Ronan's
<b>16/17 Sept</b>	Synod in Palmerston North

**Next Sunday**  
Next Sunday we welcome Reverend Alison Camplin from the Cathedral, who will be leading our worship, since Rev'd Judith will be in Dunedin Wed - Sun at a spiritual direction conference. The office will be open on **Tues/Wed** this week (instead of Wed/Thurs).

**Thursday 10am Rhythm of Worship**  
31 Aug 3D Rona House  
7 Sept 3D Rona House  
14 Sept St Ronan's  
21 Sept 1 Heketara St  
28 Sept San Antonio's Church

*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 3 September  
10am Eucharist & Baptism at Wellesley**

Presider	Reverend Alison Camplin
Preacher	Reverend Alison Camplin
Set-up / pack-up	Chris Burt, Wendy Manson
Welcomers	John Nippert, Jeremy Lovell-Smith, Wendy Manson
Liturgical Asst	Philip Plimmer
2nd chalice	Carolyn Parker
Readers	Priscilla Synnott OT; Epistle Rieki Teutscher
Intercessions	Philip Plimmer
Musician	Jacqueline Ward
All-age activities	Rose and Rebecca Odlin
Sound / tech	Chris Burt
Morning tea	Leonie Burke and Heather Molloy



**Gospel Readings  
this week**

**Monday**

Matthew 23: 13—22

**Tuesday**

Matthew 23: 23—26

**Wednesday**

Matthew 23 ; 27—32

**Thursday**

Matthew 24: 42 to end

**Friday**

Matthew 5: 1—12

**Saturday**

Matthew 25: 14 –30

**Readings next  
Sunday**

Jeremiah 15: 15—21

Romans 12: 9—21

Matthew 16: 21-28



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