

**Sunday 1 October 2017**

**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Te Rātapu Rua Tekau mā ono 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.

**A special welcome to Reverend David Day who is preaching today.  
Please stay for morning tea and fellowship after our worship.**

**Sentence:** 'Come let us return to the Lord, that we may live before him.

*Hosea 6: 1a, 2b*

**Collect:** **God of all authority, enable us to hear your call and do what you ask of us. Forgive us for judging others, help us to embrace the outcast and the downtrodden. Transform our lives so that everything we do may proclaim your generous love. We ask this through 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**

***Revised English Bible***

Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25-32

*Call to repentance*

Philippians 2: 1-13

*Imitating Christ's humility*

Matthew 21: 23-32

*The authority of Jesus*



Welcome to children and families today.

Do help yourselves to children's activities and books from the baskets at the back of the church and feel free to come and go as you need to during our worship.

Our Kids' Club takes a break today and next Sunday for the school holidays and resumes on Sunday 15 October

Today	10am Eucharist at Wellesley
Presider	Reverend Judith Wigglesworth
Preacher	Reverend David Day
Set-up / pack-up	Chris Burt
Welcomers	Keith Levy, John Nippert, Jeremy Lovell-Smith
Liturgical Asst	Philip Plimmer
2nd chalice	Elaine Parr
Readers	Keith Levy, Pauline Steele
Intercessions	Carolyn Parker
Musician	Jacqueline Ward
Kids' Club	School holidays
Sound / tech	Peter Baldock
Morning tea	Mike and Priscilla Synnott

## Prayers

- ◆ **Our community:** As the school holidays begin we pray for all teachers, families and children. May the holidays be a time of refreshment and enjoyment. We pray for all who are travelling within New Zealand and beyond and for their safe return home.
- ◆ **Our ministry and mission:** We give thanks for the generous offerings to our Mission table and food basket—gifts from us to others. We pray for the Good Shepherd Secondary School in Kagera as they continue to grow and flourish.
- ◆ **Diocesan cycle of prayer:** We pray for the New Wine Team Together Participants, Stephen King, Jean Malcolm and Charles Waldergrave and the Parish of St Peters, Wellington.
- ◆ **Anglican Missions prayer cycle:** We pray for Revd Wame Tuidama and the people of St Philips, Nadawa, Fiji and give thanks for the progress made in assisting and supporting this community.
- ◆ **Prayer cycle of the worldwide Anglican Communion:** This week we pray for the Right Reverend Danilo Labacanacruz Bustamante and Christian communities in the Southern Philippines.
- ◆ **Prayer for the persecuted church:** We pray for our brothers and sisters in northern Nigeria who live day by day in great danger, trusting in Jesus Christ. Help them to keep in step with God's Spirit, and to show in their lives love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. May their Christ-like response to such a stressful and perilous situation bring glory to God.
- ◆ **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.*

### Vicar update

The advertisement seeking applications for the role of vicar of St Alban's is on the diocesan news website at the moment and applications close on 6 October. Please pray for our nominators as this process continues.

### Visitors to St Alban's!

During October we will welcome Bishop Eleanor on the 15th and Dean Digby Wilkinson on the 22nd as they join with us and preach at our 10am service. Ellie is looking forward to being among us again and Digby and his wife, Jane, look forward to some great St Alban's hospitality.

### Mission

Last week the donations on the table totalled \$82.30 and the grocery basket was almost too heavy to carry to the altar! Marvellous and so encouraging. (*From the team*).

### Ministry schedule Nov—Apr 2018...

Priscilla is in the process of putting together the schedule for the next six months. Thank you to all who have responded to the email update. If you feel you would like to serve in one of our ministries please talk to Priscilla or Reverend Judith. In particular we would welcome new volunteers for our Power Point and Morning Tea on Sunday mornings. Many hands make light work!

### Refugee support

The next refugee intake to Wellington is happening this month. If you are interested in assisting with the set up of a household for a refugee family, please speak with Reverend Judith. At this stage dates are: Tuesday 10 October (6-8pm) for training and pick up of household goods and Thursday 12 October (during the day) for house set-up.

### A "Quiet Day" opportunity coming up:

**Eat, Pray, Love**—Wednesday 18 October (9.30am-3pm) Otari/Wilton Bowling Club. A team of experienced retreat leaders, Jane Wilkinson, Andrew Pritchard and Graham Millar will lead a quietish day for reflection and inspiration. For more information about this opportunity see the flyer on back table.

### This week

<b>Mon</b>	Kitchen booking: <i>all day</i> 6pm Guys' Group, "Still Room". Oroua Street
<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>
<b>Thurs</b>	7am Intercessory Prayer <i>St Alban's Hall foyer</i> 9am Morning Prayer: <i>St Alban's hall foyer</i> 10am Eucharist: Alan & Sally's, 17 Marine Parade, Eastbourne
<b>Sat</b>	8am Contemplative Prayer, <i>1/47 Pukatea Street</i>

### Coming Up

<b>Sat 14 Oct</b>	Diocese Training Day, Palmerston North
<b>Mon 16 Oct</b>	Women's Coffee Group, 10am at "Hive"
<b>Sun 29 Oct</b>	Hutt City Combined Praise and Worship 6.30pm—7.45pm Venue tba

### Thursday 10am Rhythm of Worship

5 Oct 17 Marine Parade  
12 Oct St Ronan's  
19 Oct 3D Rona House  
26 Oct San Antonio's

**School Holidays:** Term 4 begins on Monday 16 October.

**Pop in and Play** resumes on Friday 20 October.

*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 8 October  
10am Eucharist at Wellesley**

Presider	Reverend Judith Wigglesworth
Preacher	Reverend Judith Wigglesworth
Set-up / pack-up	Philip Plimmer, Hamish Pilbrow
Welcomers	Joy Baird, Graham Olds, Denis Packer, Philip Plimmer
Liturgical Asst	Penny Grigg
2nd chalice	Lynda Etevenaux
Readers	Priscilla Synnott, Po-Lin Lamb
Intercessions	Penny Grigg
Musician	Reverend Tony Gardiner
Kids' Club	School holidays
Sound / tech	Chris Burt
Morning tea	Val Meyer, Jill Chinn



**Gospel Readings  
this week**

**Monday**  
Luke 9: 46-50

**Tuesday**  
Luke 9: 51-56

**Wednesday**  
Luke 9: 57-end

**Thursday**  
Luke 10: 1-12

**Friday**  
Luke 10: 13-16

**Saturday**  
Luke 10: 17-24

**Readings next  
Sunday**

Isaiah 5: 1-7:  
Philippians 3: 4b-14  
Matthew 21: 33-46



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