

St Alban's Anglican Parish of Eastbourne, New Zealand

Sunday 8 October 2017

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Te Rātapu Rua Tekau mā whitu o He wā noa iho

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: 'Forgetting what lies behind and straining for what lies ahead, let us press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.' *Philippians 3: 13b-14*

Collect: **Loving God, yours is the vineyard and the harvest. Help us to recognise the one you send and to follow him. Make us willing workers in your vineyard, so that we may offer you an abundant harvest. 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

Isaiah 5: 1-7

Philippians 3: 4b-14

Matthew 21: 33-46

Revised English Bible

The song of the unfruitful vineyard

Pressing towards the goal

The parable of the wicked tenants



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 for the school holidays and resumes on next Sunday.

| Today | | 10am Eucharist at Wellesley |
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| Presider | Reverend Judith Wigglesworth | |
| Preacher | Reverend Judith Wigglesworth | |
| Set-up / pack-up | Wendy Manson, Hamish Pilbrow | |
| Welcomers | Joy Baird, Graham Olds, Denis Packer, Wendy Manson | |
| Liturgical Asst | Jutta Chisholm | |
| 2nd chalice | Fran Baldock | |
| Readers | Priscilla Synnott, Po-Lin Lamb | |
| Intercessions | Jutta Chisholm | |
| Musician | Reverend Tony Gardiner | |
| Kids' Club | School holidays | |
| Sound / tech | Chris Burt | |
| Morning tea | Val Meyer, Jill Chinn | |

Prayers

- ◆ **Our community:** We continue to pray for all teachers, families and children over the school holidays, that they may be a time of refreshment and enjoyment. We pray for all who are travelling within New Zealand and beyond for their safe return home.
- ◆ **Our ministry and mission:** We pray for all seniors in our community, especially for those who are house-bound or who need constant care. We also pray for all who will attend and lead "Take a Break" this Thursday.
- ◆ **Diocesan cycle of prayer:** We pray for the Greenhouse Mission Unit, David Atkinson and the Bishop's Chaplain for Parish Health and Development, Jenny Dawson.
- ◆ **Anglican Missions prayer cycle:** We pray for the Kerina Evangelists' College, New Guinea. The college is a centre for the training of catechists, lay people serving in isolated communities who do not have a resident priest.
- ◆ **Prayer cycle of the worldwide Anglican Communion:** This week we pray for the Right Reverend Alan Smith, the Right Reverend Richard Atkinson and the Right Reverend Michael Beardsley, Bishops in St Alban's parishes in Canterbury, England.
- ◆ **Prayer for the persecuted church:** We pray that Christians in Laos will be granted the right to practise their faith and worship together freely. We pray that God will provide for those Christians who have been forced from their homes and villages.
- ◆ **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.*

Visitors to St Alban's!

On 22 October we will welcome Dean Digby Wilkinson to preach at our 10am worship. Digby and his wife, Jane, look forward to some great St Alban's hospitality. We have had to postpone Bishop Ellie's visit to November, but she is looking forward to being with us again.

Mission

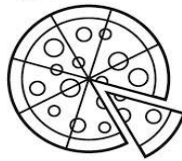
The donations last week totalled \$43.40 and the grocery items 16. Let's keep remembering to buy a couple of extra items each week. Tins of fish are not heavy, neither is a tube of toothpaste or a box of teabags. Watch the table for little gifts each week, there are some beauties! (*From the team*).

Ministry schedule Nov—Apr 2018...

Priscilla is in the process of putting together the schedule for the next six months. If you feel you would like to serve in one of our ministries please talk to Priscilla or Reverend Judith. Many hands make light work!

Parish Pizza Picnic — Sunday 3 December 11.30am

Keep the date, enjoy some "time out" and fellowship at the Pavilion. This is a great opportunity to get to know our parish friends a little better and enjoy some fun together. More details nearer the time.



Diocesan Team Training Day

Saturday 14 October, Palmerston North

An opportunity for anyone involved in ministry to attend a team training day with people from parishes all over the Diocese. There are lots of workshops and it is a great chance to learn and connect with others. Check out the Team Training Day website <http://movementonline.org.nz/teamtrainingday/> to see what is on offer and to register. A carpool from Eastbourne would be great.

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

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| Mon | Kitchen booking: <i>all day</i> |
| Tues | Kitchen booking: <i>all day</i> 7.30pm Reflection Time for Women: <i>St Ronan's</i> |
| Wed | 9am Morning Prayer <i>St Alban's hall foyer</i> 12 noon Centering Prayer: <i>St Alban's hall foyer</i> |
| Thurs | 7am Intercessory Prayer <i>St Alban's Hall foyer</i> 9am Morning Prayer: <i>St Alban's hall foyer</i> 10am Eucharist: <i>St Ronan's</i> , followed by "Take a Break" |
| Sat | 8am Contemplative Prayer, <i>1/47 Pukatea Street</i> Diocese Training Day, Palmerston North |

Coming Up

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| Mon 16 Oct | Women's Coffee Group, 10am at "Hive" |
| Sun 29 Oct | Hutt City Combined Praise and Worship 6.30pm—7.45pm Venue tba |

Thursday 10am Rhythm of Worship

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| 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 15 October
10am Eucharist at Wellesley**

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| Presider | Reverend Judith Wigglesworth |
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| Set-up / pack-up | Myles Breen, Liz Barrow |
| Welcomers | Penny & John Grigg, Carolyn & Mike Parker |
| Liturgical Asst | Scott Champion |
| 2nd chalice | Chris Burt |
| Readers | Wendy Manson; Katherine Fahey |
| Intercessions | Scott Champion |
| Musician | Libby and Team |
| Kids' Club | Stefi Plimmer |
| Sound / tech | Denis Packer |
| Morning tea | Ann Packer, Melissa Rogers |



**Gospel Readings
this week**

Monday
Luke 10: 25-37

Tuesday
Luke 10: 38-end

Wednesday
Luke 11: 1-4

Thursday
Luke 11: 5-13

Friday
Luke 11: 15-26

Saturday
Luke 11: 27-28

**Readings next
Sunday**

Isaiah 25: 1-9
Philippians 4: 1-9
Matthew 22: 1-14



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