

Hi family

1. **Post Service Tea Invite**

John Hughes is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Sunday Morning Tea

Time: May 24, 2020 11:00 PM Auckland, Wellington

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://anglicanchurch-nz.zoom.us/j/92956806504>

Meeting ID: 929 5680 6504

2. **Sermon**

3. **Thy Kingdom Come**

4. **Thursday Service Zoom invite.**

John Hughes is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Thursday Service

Time: May 28, 2020 10:00 AM Auckland, Wellington

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://anglicanchurch-nz.zoom.us/j/91136563423>

Meeting ID: 911 3656 3423

5. **New Sunday Initiative**

This is written not knowing what the government will announce about church services on Monday. Anticipating Level 2 continues with gathering sizes increased but the same protocols in place vestry is supportive of the following next step. From Sunday 31 May we are offering House Church Gatherings. The idea is that we gather in groups <10 in a home and together watch the Live stream service from Movement Online and then have Tea/Coffee and a chat together. The normal protocols in terms of gatherings would apply. So far I have 4 such venues available: one on Lowry Bay, 2 in Days Bay and 2 in Eastbourne. What I need at this point are some more venue's particularly in Eastbourne and an indication of your desire to be part of this. Email me on vicar@stalbanschurch.nz if you are willing to host and office@stalbanschurch.nz if you want to be part of this.

6. **First few Sundays when we are back to having church services**

The first Sunday back. Date unknown. **Celebration Service.** Including all ages. We want to hear your stories of Covid 19 lockdown. So write them down. We would like to hear them on the day if you are willing to stand up and speak or offer them in writing. We have been part of a significant time in history and it is important to capture it while it is still fresh. We would like to interview people that Sunday and putting together a brochure with your memories.

The second Sunday back. Date unknown. On this Sunday we want to give space for us as a church to **begin** the process of reflecting on the questions that the Bishops have asked us to consider:

- What have we learnt?
- What do we want to take forward in our parish life out of this wilderness experience?
- What from our existing parish life do we want to stop?
- What do we want to change?

7. **Quote:** This was sent to me. Makes one look at the “ordinary” with new eyes.



As many churches clamor to reenter their buildings, it is worth noting in the book of Acts how infrequently an experience of the Divine takes place in a designated “religious” location. The Holy becomes most strikingly palpable on roads and rooftops, in deserts and prison cells, even through dreams and visions. In our haste to “reopen” our sanctuaries, we may miss the very landscapes of theophany in which the Spirit is manifesting.