



BIBLE READINGS FOR AUGUST

COMMUNION WINE

In **ORANGE** setting, the wine is being served in **individual cups of wine or grape juice**. Bowls are on both sides at the front to receive used cups.



If you prefer **Gluten free wafers**, please speak to the priest before the service.

IN NEED OF PRAYER?

If you would like prayer, please come to the altar rail at the end of the 10am service and our prayer team will pray for you.

Sanctuary Tea & Coffee

Join us in the hall for great conversation!



Served Every Sunday after the service.

July Birthdays



Week beginning

Sunday 7th

Sylvia Davis, Roy Smith, Jon Henderson, Iris Bale

Sunday 14th

Sid Keesing

Sunday 21st

Jan Maxwell

Please tell us when it's your birthday!

7th

ST STEPHEN, THE 1ST CHRISTIAN MARTYR

Acts 7:51-60

p 1064

Galatians 2:16b-20

p 1132

Matthew 10:17-22

p 944

14th

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 23:23-29

p 754

Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2

p 1178

Luke 12:49-56

p 1011

21st

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 58:9b-14

p 717

Hebrews 12:18-29

p 1179

Luke 13:10-17

p 1012

28th

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Proverbs 25:6-7

p 634

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

p 1179

Luke 14:1, 7-14

p 1013



Please pray for those who are ill, lonely or in need of healing and loving care, especially: Beverly Lord, Iris Bale, Gus Holgate-Simpson, David & Lisa Webb, William Pihema.

Please ring Belinda in the office (554-0747) to have your name included on the KITsheet prayer list.



*Our **Prayer Chain** people can offer focussed, confidential prayer at a distance. To be included, contact **Anne Aspden Prayer Chain leader** (424 3693)*

If you would like healing prayer for any need: spiritual, physical or emotional; please speak to **Anne Aspden, our pastoral care co-ordinator.**

VIDEO NOTICE: The 10am service is being videoed. The congregation are not seen in the video, and serving of communion is not included. If there are concerns about this, please see the priest. Videos are made available on our website & facebook pages.

FRONT GARDEN RENEWAL

Do you have any large rocks that are in need of a new home? We are looking for 3 to include in the landscaping of the work on the front garden which is about to start, phone Phread 027 488 0910 or Alison 027 478 9545 if you can assist.



You, or someone you know, may feel called to work with youth or children, or both. At this stage, we are simply keen to hear from anyone who would like to chat and explore further. Hours can be flexible to suit either a team of people or 1 person full time.

Contact:

Alison Vedder, Parish Manager
027 478 9545

manager@ststephenswgp.org.nz

UPDATING THE PARISH DIRECTORY

The Parish Directory is about to be updated. Please let us know of any changes - **especially to phone numbers!** We are finding that as many of you are switching from landline to mobile our information is out of date. Please send changes to:

email_office@ststephenswgp.org.nz
or text Alison 0274 789 545

INTERGENERATIONAL SERVICE - WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

Born out of concern for worldwide decline in faith, and now added to that the tendency for people used to attending church in their own home during lockdowns to continue to do so even when lockdown ceases, the intergenerational church movement seeks to bring the whole church community together.

Just as it takes a village to raise a child, it takes a church community to make disciples. We need to encourage and learn from each other, and the intergenerational services on the **2nd Sunday** of the month are designed with that in mind, to talk *together* about what can be learnt from the bible reading.

If we want to see the Christian faith caught and nurtured today the young need to be alongside the old so they can hear and learn from those with experience of what it means to trust God in all the ups and downs of life. Likewise the old also need to be alongside the young who can bring the gift of a lively questioning spirituality and an eager sense of wonder; and Christians of whatever age who have a mature faith need to be alongside beginners of whatever age to help them explore new ways of seeing life and encountering God. We need to remember Jesus' teaching about children and in particular his insistence that adults need to learn from children how to enter the Kingdom of God – there are also insights from other Biblical stories of children, such as that of the young

Samuel where it is the child who hears God more clearly than the aged priest.

It might be a little messy while we become accustomed to this new way of “doing” church and learn how to adapt it best to our particular needs in this community, but we ask you to help with the journey, to come together and bring the piece you have to offer to the faith community for it to be whole. We cannot have a Kaleidoscope without all the colours, each colour plays a part and is distinctive and unique on its own and yet brings something special to the whole - just as Paul says *“all of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it”*.



Dinner to celebrate our patron saint,
St Stephen **Date to be advised**

Come along for a fun evening, wear a hat - win a prize!

Everyone welcome - old and young and everyone in between.

Need a ride?
We can help with that!



Sign-up sheet to indicate your interest on the foyer table, we will make sure you are informed of the date once it is decided

REGULAR EVENTS

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday

8:00am: Holy Communion

10:00am: Family Communion
with Adventurers Programme for children.

Thursday

10.00am: Holy Communion

Wednesday

11:00am **Parish Prayer Meeting**

Focused prayer for the parish and beyond.

Last Sunday of the month

4-6pm **Messy Church**—Free Dinner incl
For all age kids & their families

Tuesday

9:30-11:30am mainly music (*in school terms*)

2:00pm- 4:00pm Matakatia Group
Anne Aspden 414 3693

Wednesday

9:30-11:30am mainly music (*in school term*)

7:00pm: 2 Wednesdays/month
Study on Acts led by the Lloyds (428 0464)

Thursday

2:30pm: Knitters, Creators & Chatters
in the foyer (in school term)

7:30pm: Orewa Group Fortnightly
Gill Henderson 027 428 1248

Friday

9:30am-12noon: Selwyn Centre

DIRECTORY

Vicar: The Revd. Ian Hardcastle 424 0939

vicar@stStephensWGP.org.nz
(Day off: Monday)

Children & Families Minister:

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Hon. Priest Assistants:

The Revd. Anne Aspden 424 3693
The Revd. Paul Huffam 424 8956
The Revd Lorraine Lloyd 428 0464

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Treasurer: To be appointed
treasurer@ststephenswgp.org.nz

Vestry Secretary: Gill Henderson
secretary@ststephenswgp.org.nz

Rest Home Ministries

Pastoral Care Co-ordinator:

The Revd Anne Aspden 424 3693

Sacristan: Christina Jensen 021 621 926

Rest Home Ministries

Beachfront Ian Hardcastle

Rest Home Ministries Cont'd

Northaven Ian Hardcastle & Anne Aspden

Peninsula Club & Halldene Ian Hardcastle

mainly music:

Tuesday: Sue Kroger 027 547 8324

Wed: Gill Cranch 021 061 4648

Selwyn Centre Co-ordinator:

Julie Taylor 021 0278 3751

'SECOND CHANCE' CHURCH OP SHOP

55 Karepiro Drive 424 3717

Tues - Fri: 9:30am - 4:00pm; Sat: 9:30am - 3pm

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KITsheet Items to office by Thursday 10am

Office hours: Tues-Fri 9am-11.30am

Mail Address: P.O. Box 447, Whangaparaoa 0943

Online regular giving:

Payee: **StStephens ASB 12-3084-0097535-04**

Particulars	Code	Reference
Your name	Giving number	Offertory

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