

SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
TE RĀTAPU RUA TEKAU MĀ ONO
O HE WĀ NOA IHO

COMMUNION WINE

At this time 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.



TODAY'S READINGS:

(Psalm 146)

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

p 888

1 Timothy 6:6-19

p 1160

Luke 16:19-31

p 1016

(Page numbers for the pew Bibles)

Sanctuary Tea & Coffee

Join us in the hall for great conversation!



Served Every Sunday after the service.

BIBLE SENTENCE FOR TODAY:

Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.

James 5:16

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Almighty God,

**you alone are our true judge,
for you know what we are,
you know what we should be,
and with you there is mercy.**

**Give us feeling for what is right;
set us on fire to see that right is done.
Hear this prayer for your love's sake.
Amen.**

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.



Today: 4- 6pm

Messy Church

Sunday 9 Oct 10am

Blessing of Animals

All animals attending the service must be on a lead or in a suitable cage for their own and others safety.



Let us share your celebrations - please tell us when it's your birthday!



Please pray for
our church and
our parish family

Please pray for those who are ill, lonely or in need of healing and loving care, especially: Gus Holgate-Simpson, William Pihema.

Please pray for Christina Jensen and family that they will be comforted as they mourn for Svend.



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**.

KEEPING OUR PEOPLE IN TOUCH

Please take a copy of this news sheet to anyone not at church this morning.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 02 OCTOBER 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME TE RĀTAPU RUA TEKAU MĀ WHITU O HE WĀ NOA IHO

Psalm 37:1-9

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Luke 17:5-10

Growing in faith

(In the online version of the KITsheet click

Masks are no longer required but your choice to wear one is respected. Our **ventilation system** is set to 100% fresh air in line with best practice recommendations to ensure the air we breathe is clean.



Blessing - of the - ANIMALS

The intergenerational service on 9th October will be a blessing of animals - recognising all the wonderful creatures we share this world with including the pets we have that give us such love. Small animals welcome to attend!

All animals attending the service must be on a lead or in a suitable cage for their own and others safety.

Bring a photo of your pet if they can't come to church, or if you want to remember a pet who is no longer here.

CARE OF CREATION

With spring in the air, for many of us our thoughts turn towards our gardens - whether for beautiful flowers, or for delicious home-grown tomatoes. Compost is invaluable in keeping our soils healthy to promote plant growth- and is free! And a real bonus is that it can reduce our waste to landfill by at least a third. Even if you don't have enough space for a traditional 3 bin compost system, complete compost systems within 1 bin can be purchased from hardware stores and are very effective. It really it requires little effort, you just need to be in the habit of sorting your scraps as you go.

The compostcollective.org.nz/ offers free workshops and a discount voucher to start a system that works for you.



ALPHA IS COMING!

Alpha is an 8-week course starting in the 3rd week of October, that creates a space where people come for a conversation about faith, life and God. All are welcome, bring your friends! Whether this is a first time for you or you would like a refresher - you always gain new insights when joining the conversation. We share a free meal - so no cooking dinner 1 night per week! And we see an inspiring video followed by an opportunity to talk about what we have heard - exploring deeper, asking questions. An added bonus is the opportunity to develop friendships in our community.

We have **2 options** available:

- ◆ **Thursdays at 6pm**
- ◆ **Family Alpha Sundays 4-6pm.**

Thursday evenings are more suited to adults (including teens), Family Alpha is designed specifically with families in mind so all can attend together with age appropriate content.

Let us know you are interested - there's a sign-up sheet on the foyer table, with options for Thursday or Sunday.

Sunday 25 Sept. 4pm-6pm!



different kind of
**A CHURCH
FOR FAMILY**

This month:

Care of Creation

ALPHA HELP

We need people to help with Alpha - is this something you could do? Either as a leader (every week) or to help with hosting the meal (join the roster). If you are able to help please check the sign up sheet for options.

REGULAR EVENTS

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday

8:00am: Holy Communion
10:00am: Family Communion

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

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Rest Home Ministries

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Rest Home Ministries Cont'd

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Selwyn Centre Co-ordinator:

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'SECOND CHANCE' CHURCH OP SHOP

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

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