



St Stephen's

Anglican Church, Whangaparaoa

COMMUNION WINE

For those who prefer, the second chalice bearer offers **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.



KIT Sheet

SUNDAY 3 MAY

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

TE RĀTAPU TUARIMA O TE ARANGA



TODAY'S READINGS:

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| Acts 7:55-60 | p. 1065 |
| 1 Peter 2:2-10 | p. 1186 |
| John 14:1-14 | p. 1047 |

(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:

'I am the way, and the truth, and the life,' says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me.'

John 14:6

PRAYER FOR TODAY:

Eternal God,
your Son Jesus Christ
is the way, the truth and the life for all creation;
grant us grace to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.



Amanda Moxey-Baker, Gay Spargo

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

We Need Your Help



8AM volunteers: Welcome/Sides, Sanctuary, & Kitchen

10AM volunteers: Intercessor, Projector, Sanctuary Small cups & Kitchen

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.

Together, growing in faith, love and mission

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 Alan and Vivienne Wintour.

Those who care for the ill and disabled, giving them strength, patience, and joy as they serve in these essential roles.

Travel mercies for those in our parish who are travelling overseas at the moment. May they have protection from the unrest in the world, good health, and wonderful rest and family time.

Give thanks for:

the mainly music team as they reach out to families in our community.

Selwyn Centre—the leaders and helpers as they provide a place of community.



Prayer Chain:

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

If you know of anyone who is sick at home or in hospital or if you would like healing prayer for any need: spiritual, physical or emotional; please speak to Anne Aspden.

READINGS

SUNDAY 10 MAY

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

[1 Corinthians 13:1-8a](#)

[Matthew 22:37-40](#)

[John 13:34-35](#)

(Links to the readings can be found on the website)

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

**God of life,
send a fresh outpouring
of your Spirit
to revive and renew your Church,
deepening our knowledge
and experience
of your beauty and goodness,
transforming our lives so that your
power and presence will overflow to
bless our community,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

JAM JARS

Guinny is looking for empty jam jars so that she can turn these:



Into these:



All proceeds generously go to Kondo!

TESTIMONIES & PRIVACY

We all love to hear stories of God at work among us. Telling others the story of how God has worked in your life is a powerful way to encourage others and gives an example to young people of what it looks like to talk about God and Faith.

Sometimes these stories might include other people. Remember the 10am service is streamed live and then posted to the website, so In this case **please do not include** any identifying information unless you have their express permission to do so. in order that privacy rules are not breached This information may be as simple as including their relationship to you—mother, son, daughter etc., but if someone who knows you is watching, they can identify who it is you are talking about.

Sometimes you may be bursting to share something wonderful that has happened to a family member - in which case we would love to hear about it during morning tea after the service.

Copies of the Video Livestreaming Policy are available at the welcome desk if you did not get one in the KIT Sheet on 22/03/2026.

IN MEMORIUM

We give thanks for Sue Kroger's life, particularly for her long ministry with mainly music here at St. Stephen's.

Please keep her friends and family in your prayers at this time.

The funeral will be held at St. Stephen's on Wednesday, time TBC.

DONATION RECEIPTS

Donation receipts are currently being prepared and will be emailed to you. Please make sure we have your correct email address, particularly if you have changed it in the last 12 months. If you don't have email the receipt will be printed for you to pick up from church.

If we know you by a shortened form of you name, or a different name than the IRD knows you by, please make sure that we are aware of this so that IRD does not reject your application for rebate.

Please be aware that this is a new procedure to be learnt (amongst many other new procedures) and time will need to be taken to be sure everything is carefully checked and processed correctly. The receipts will be sent to you as soon as is possible.

OP SHOP

The Op Shop is looking for furniture & whiteware in **good condition and in working order**. Please ask friends and family too. Bigger items can be collected from your home. (No beds or mattresses please).



Winter clothing: currently our #1 seller! Go through your wardrobes and pass on all the "too big" & "too small" clothing.

REGULAR EVENTS DURING JANUARY

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: Knitters, Creators & Chatters (*Term time*)
Anne Aspden

Friday

9:30am-12noon: Selwyn Centre
Julie Taylor
4-6.30pm: Friday Youth Nite
Posiano & Selina Iosefa 021 238 2451

Wednesday

9:30-11:30am mainly music (*in school term*)
7:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous in the hall

Home groups: A range of home groups meet during the week. Find out more on our website: ststephenswgp.org.nz/home-groups

DIRECTORY

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| <p>Vicar: The Revd. Ian Hardcastle 424 0939 vicar@stStephensWGP.org.nz (Day off: Monday)</p> <p>Children & Families Minister: Wendy Fowler 027 462 9360 wendyf@ststephenswgp.org.nz</p> <p>Hon. Priest Assistants: The Revd. Anne Aspden The Revd. Paul Huffam The Revd Trevor McCracken</p> <p>Youth Group Leaders: Posiano & Selina Iosefa 021 238 2451</p> <p>Youth Band Leader Michael Ng (09) 554 0747</p> <p>People's Warden: Andrew Bruce-Brand (09) 554 0747 p-warden@ststephenswgp.org.nz</p> <p>Vicar's Warden: Alison Vedder 242 8200 v-warden@ststephenswgp.org.nz</p> <p>Treasurer: Francis Berry treasurer@ststephenswgp.org.nz</p> <p>Vestry Secretary: Mike Walton secretary@ststephenswgp.org.nz</p> <p>Sacristan: Christina Jensen (09) 554 0747</p> | <p>Pastoral Care Co-ordinator: The Revd Anne Aspden (09) 554 0747</p> <p>Rest Home Ministries <i>Peninsula Club</i> Ian Hardcastle <i>Northhaven</i> Ian Hardcastle & Anne Aspden <i>Beachfront</i> Toni Wentworth & <i>Halldene</i> (09) 554 0747</p> <p>mainly music: (09) 554 0747 Tuesday: Sue Harper Wed: Gill Cranch</p> <p>Selwyn Centre Co-ordinator: Julie Taylor (09) 554 0747</p> <p>'SECOND CHANCE' CHURCH OP SHOP 55 Karepiro Drive 424 3717 Tues - Fri: 9:30am - 4:00pm; Sat: 9:30am - 3pm</p> <p>Parish Office (09) 554 0747</p> <p>Parish Manager Alison Vedder (09) 242 8200 manager@ststephenswgp.org.nz</p> <p>Office Assistant Lesley Bruce-Brand office@ststephenswgp.org.nz</p> <p>Venue Bookings booking@ststephenswgp.org.nz</p> <p>KIT sheet Items to office by Thursday 10am</p> <p>Office hours: Mon-Fri 9am-11.30am</p> <p>Mail Address: P.O. Box 447, Whangaparaoa 0949</p> |
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