

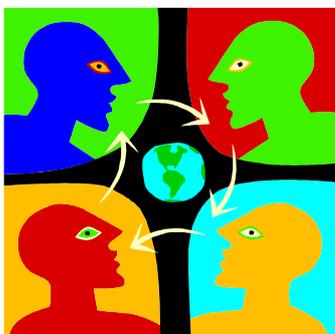
ANGLICAN CHURCH OF

ST FRANCIS

96 PARK ROAD, CNR TITIRANGI BEACH RD AUGUST 2014

“God heard and seen in all things”

A very warm welcome to everyone today! Daffodils in our garden remind us that spring is not far away.



A reminder too of the “Getting to know you” morning tea after the service. The pastoral team have organised the gathering, including some appropriate background music. It’s a chance for you to speak to someone you might not have spoken to before.

You might like to mark your place of origin on the maps provided by Val. Our congregation is beautifully cosmopolitan!

“You show me yours and I’ll show you mine”

For our next in the Winter series you are invited to bring some object of importance or significance and to talk about it briefly.

Saturday 16th August 3—5pm
St Francis

Yes, it’s a week later than we planned. We hope that’s OK.

Do come and share the fun. All welcome.

Diary notes

August

10th Evensong

13th Mid week communion

16th Working Bee

23rd Working Bee

Sept

7th Spring



Preparations made for Calling



Last Sunday Chris was present to give more details about the calling on 24th August. If you missed the handout he gave, “Preparation for Calling”, please see Norman. It’s very important.

The roles to be called are:

- Adult education co-ordinator
- Preaching co-ordinator
- A sacramental Minister/priest to begin training
- A second Sacramental Minister/priest

Chris will be here again on Sunday 17th August for further preparation. If you have any questions, see Norman. See back page for existing MST members.

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A special welcome to our visitors today

Ian reports on major changes planned for St Francis

“...we
ask
for
patience...”

After months of preparation we are now nearing the time when the new entry lobby, the upgrades to the stage and office, and the new fire alarm system will start construction. A contract has been awarded to South Titirangi Construction Ltd and work is expected to start in early September and take 6 to 8 weeks.

So for the months of September and October there will be considerable construction activity during the week and on some Saturdays, which will result in some disruption to church activities. We ask for your patience over this period.

In particular, for health & safety reasons, the stage end of the church building will be “out of bounds” to all except the builder’s personnel.

Amongst other things, this will mean that the current ladies’ toilet will not be able to be used, so the disability toilet will be redesigned

as the ladies’ toilet during this period.



Also, entry to the church will be by the first door on the veranda (adjacent to the organ) and not the current entry. The stage, office and storage alcove adjacent to the ladies’ toilet will need to be completely cleared and the piano and some furniture and carpet moved prior to the end of August.

To effect this, there will be two working bees, on Saturday 16 and Saturday 23 August. Please assist on one or both of these days if you can.

We build together towards the future

We haven’t forgotten! We had planned to give out today squares of cardboard, building blocks. But because of our “Getting to Know you”, we postponed it till next Sunday.

You’ll be asked to write down:
What activities, hobbies and pastimes interest you?

What skills and training do you have?

What aspects of life at St Francis particularly interest you?

Then we’ll put them all up on the wall as building blocks towards

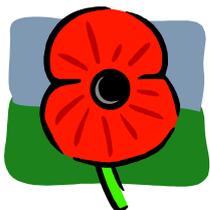
“What it means to be a church.”
As we said earlier, there is no one right answer.

The start of World War I

Tomorrow 4th August is the centenary of the beginning of WWI. Towards marking this, Susan has been cultivating poppies with seeds from the field of Flanders.

They’re not in flower yet, but she has them at church each Sunday, so you can see them beginning to push through.

Thank you, Susan.



Presentation of Noye's Fludde provides fun spectacle for all

Yes, it happened! With a cast of thousands—well, it *seemed* like thousands—Noah's ark was well and truly launched.

Congratulations and thanks to all concerned, but especially to Freda whose vision it was.

"Noye's Fludde" is a mystery play and this Cheshire version provided the libretto for the opera by Benjamin Britten.

The music, sound effects and movement all came together well, hugely enhanced by the masks and hats made by Valerie Parker and Betty Costard.

The Rollands provided a genuine Turkish headdress for Noah, and

Rosemary and Bryan Moore (leading gossip and God) were welcome guest performers. Our thanks too to Titirangi Theatre for the effective costumes. See elsewhere for other theatre activity.



Mrs Noah and the gossips

**"...all
came
together
well..."**

Coming events here and about

The Diocesan Roadshow is touring the area, and a group of the St Francis Ministry Support Team went to the Auckland session yesterday.

They went with a number of questions, for example, why does LSM not feature more prominently on the new Diocesan website? We'll be interested to hear their comment.



Also held yesterday was the latest "Mostly Craft". We'll report too on that next issue. It's clearly an activity that is meeting a need in the district. Congratulations to all concerned.

The next cluster meeting for western LSMs at St Paul's, Te Atatu on Thursday 14th August, 11.30am—1.30pm. The focus is on Pastoral Care but any one interested is very welcome.

These cluster gatherings are being very well supported. It's so good meeting fellow enthusiastic LSM members.

Advance notice too of our special spring service on Sunday 7th September. We've been mentioning recently this current church season, sometimes called "Ordinary Time", as a path towards Advent. Spring, a time of new growth and re-birth, fits neatly into this theme.

On 21st September we celebrate Disability Awareness, and we have a special guest speaker.

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***Evensong as usual next Sunday
10th (2nd Sunday) 5pm St Francis***

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Readings for August:

3rd: Genesis 32:22-31; Ps 17:1-7, 15; Romans 9:1-5; Matt 14:13-21
10th Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28; Ps 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Romans 10:5-15;
Matt 14:22-33
17th Genesis 45:1-15; Ps 133; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matt 15:21-28
24th Exodus 1:8 to chapter 2:10; Ps 124; Romans 12: 1-8; Matt 16:13-20
31st Exodus 3:1-15; Ps 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c; Romans 12:9-21; Matt 16:21-28

Please note: these are the Lectionary readings for August. However, there are sometimes changes to fit in with special services or themes. We do not usually include the psalm in the service, but we include them here as you may like to read them at home.

“Fawly Towers” opens at the sparkling new Titirangi Theatre in Lopdell House on Tuesday 3rd September. Bookings at the Titirangi Pharmacy from 11th Aug. Not to be missed: see Christine as an “old uncompromising battle-axe” .

Sundry pieces of useful information

As noted on page 1, here is the current Ministry Support Team:

<i>Norman Leach</i>	<i>Administrator</i>
<i>Valerie Parker</i>	<i>Vocational Deacon</i>
<i>Christine Nash</i>	<i>Pastoral care Co-ordinator and Priest</i>
<i>Margaret Strid</i>	<i>Children and Youth Education Co-ordinator</i>
<i>Judy Evitt (Acting)</i>	<i>Preaching Co-ordinator</i>
<i>Lindsay Nash</i>	<i>Worship Co-ordinator and Priest</i>

These people do not need to be called again, apart from Judy, who is available to be called and confirmed in her role.

Teas:

Aris has retired as our hospitality manager. A very big thank you for your work Aris and a very happy journey to the homeland! Moira and Susan have very kindly stepped into the hospitality shoes – thank you both! They are now in charge, so if you have a query or suggestion please talk to one of them.

And a small plea: if you are not serving, or washing dishes please stay out of the kitchen and give them a little space!

There are only about 6 people on the teas roster—more help would be

hugely appreciated. You would only be called on about once every 6 weeks, so please if you can help phone Moira on 827 1074. or talk to her and Susan at church.



Pastoral Patch:

Eva Tollemache has asked us to remember her and Garth in prayer and Garth’s mother Marie who died last week.

Margaret Strid’s granddaughter Valerie has her second major back surgery on August 11th. Your prayers are appreciated.

Visits and prayers for Shirley and Bob Foster at Selwyn Heights village, Hillsborough, and for Olive Vinsen at Lexall Care, Denver Street, Henderson.

Keep in your prayers Alice Elcoat and her family.

Blessings for travel to Donna Glover, off overseas very soon.

Welcome back to John Hyatt after his time in the UK with friends and family.