

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF

# ST FRANCIS

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## Guests have special message for us

It's a special pleasure to welcome our guests today, Mark and Chris Grantham. Valerie Parker will introduce them and tell you a little about their background.



"Disability Awareness Sunday" has a special place on the

church's calendar, the 3rd Sunday in June. We're a little late this year, but that just serves to heighten our anticipation!

Some of you will have met Chris in Newmarket where he sells chocolate to help fund his activities. You'll hear more about this today.

We remember in particular today those who give time and energy to caring for the disabled.

We remember too the quotation on the back page of today's service: "Disabled means differently-abled."

### Diary notes

#### July

18 Workshop

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## Mid winter service helps hit the spot

Mid winter blues were suitably put behind us last Sunday. We celebrated the season with a special liturgy, well-chosen hymns, thoughtfully delivered intercessions and readings, and a lively congregation.



Afterwards there was mulled wine and mince pies, specially prepared by our gifted chefs. And aren't we blessed to have such a warm venue and such a well-equipped kitchen. Many thanks to all those involved in

the preparation and presentation of this annual event.

### We say farewell to a special musician

How lovely to see Margaret Wegener at our Mid Winter celebration, and how marvellous that she had a chance for a final flourish at the organ.

Margaret now heads north to Kerikeri with family. This talented musician and composer was with us for just a short time, but she leaves a lasting impression. Recently at the cathedral there was a choral recital of some of her compositions. May she continue to flourish

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*Funeral brochure available at back of church*

***A special welcome to our visitors today***

## Sally Morgan, 8th August—24th June 2016



**“...to  
fill  
roles”**

There was a full church of over 100 to farewell Sally Morgan on Friday. In recent years she had been attending the mid week Eucharist in the Soldiers' memorial Church more than St Francis, but at her fu-

neral there was a bunch of old timers who worshiped with back in the days of Peter Phillip and Stephen Johnson. She'd started coming to our Sunday afternoon Eucharist too.

It was so good to see Stephen there. He added his reminiscences to those of friends and family, recalling her infectious enthusiasm for life, her generosity, and her sense of fun.

Her death from lung cancer came very suddenly: she was with us at a St Francis just a few weeks ago.

Sally had a smile and a “bless you” for everyone. We'll miss her.

### Important church event later in the year

Later this year in November we will be having another “calling.” That is, the congregation will be asked to “call” some of their number to fill roles in the team that lead the running of St Francis.

For example, there are vacancies to fill. Norman will be stepping aside as administrator. A fresh leader of the Pastoral care team will be called for also.



During the weeks leading up to the November calling you will be given appropriate background information to help you in your choice.

Also later in the year we will revisit the concept of “stewardship.” In early September we will have a session on “visioning”, creative thinking about our future development.

We will examine how best to use the obvious talents we have amongst us, a stewardship of abilities.

Stewardship in the financial area will be considered too. Anne will be talking more about this as time passes

#### **Preliminary note for preaching workshop**

***Saturday 6th August, 3.30—5pm is the suggested time for a session on preaching. Anne will be leading this, and all those interested are urged to attend.***

## Cluster gathering helps bring like minds together for useful talk

The Westie Cluster became a reality on Thursday here at St Francis when we welcomed fellow LSM units to a workshop.

We called it “Creativity in Worship through Art and Drama”, very effectively organised by Valerie and Christine.



They were an enthusiastic bunch, over 20 in all from Waiheke, Te Atatu, and Huapai. This included three enablers, our own Anne, Chris and Denise.

St Chad's, Huapai sent this: *Thank you so very much for your warm welcome and a friendly, fun and*

*well-planned meeting on Thursday, with delicious soup and a cosy venue. You have some very talented people in your team! We came away with some great ideas, which will be easy to use without too much preparation – I particularly like “Away with the Manger” which would go down well with our congregation.*

*We did enjoy our day with you all. Many thanks and kind regards to all your team.*

The creative day ended with Freda introducing a Mandala, where participants were invited to put images and words on a large piece of paper to sum up their impressions of the day.

It was indeed a happy and fruitful occasion. Many thanks to all involved.

“...a

cosy

venue...”

## Workshop for all later this month

An interesting perhaps even stimulating morning is yours for the taking on Saturday, 16th July, here at St Francis, 9.30am—12.30pm. It's free.

It's a workshop on worship, covering many different facets. All liturgists, for example, will have their skills refreshed. Intercessors and readers: there will be some essential aspects of your presentations discussed and improved.

There will be a separate workshop later for preachers, but you too will benefit from our discussion at this time.

All are welcome! All parishioners are involved in worship, of course, and your contributions and com-

ments are an essential part of this workshop. What are we doing well, what needs improvement? If you have any ideas, see Lindsay or any of the worship committee.

Anne and the worship committee are drawing up the programme. We hope to explore variations in the liturgy; the word ‘liturgy’ means “work of the people”, so let's hear what the people think.

Some of the presenters will have been to the Diocesan Ministry Conference, which this year has the topic, “Re-imagining Worship” as its theme. There's sure to be some useful material coming from this. So do join us on Saturday 16th July at 9.30am.

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**Readings for July:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Disability Awareness Sunday 2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; Gal 6: 7-16; Luke 10:1-11,16-20

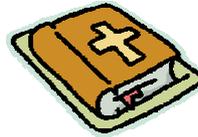
10<sup>th</sup> Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82; Col 1:1-14, Luke 10:25-37

17<sup>th</sup> Bible Sunday. Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52; Col 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

24<sup>th</sup> Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85; Col 2:6-15; Luke 11:1-13

31<sup>st</sup> Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9,43; Col 3:1-11, Luke 12:13-21

7th August: Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20; Heb. 11:1-3,8-16; Luke 12: 32-40



*Appropriate prayer is always available at the altar rails after the service.*

*Prayers please for: Sally Morgan's family; Margaret Meyer's family.*

## Notes and news for here and about

**Bible Sunday:**

Sunday 17th July is set down as "Bible Sunday". You are invited to bring and display on the table at the back any special volumes you have, the family Bible for example.



**Sea Sunday:**

We have nothing planned for this day, Sunday 10th July, but we do hold in our thoughts all those who make their living at sea.



**New organ:**

With any luck our new organ will be in place for today's service. Our council sub-committee investigated a range of possibilities and then made the choice of this instrument. Our ears are tuned to hear the results.

**"Re-imagining Worship"**

As mentioned inside, this Diocesan Ministry Conference will be held next week, 6th—8th July, at the Dio school for girls. David and Lindsay are attending, and there is room for one more. See Lindsay.

**Additional services:**

Our recently introduced additions have been well received. Next afternoon Eucharist: 3pm 31st July. Next healing service: 11.15am 7th August.

**Friendship Circle:**

10am Wednesday 6th July, here in the lounge at St Francis.

**A thought:**

A year ago in the July news letter we had a note about the Indaba debrief. Remember Indaba?! Perhaps we should have a thought about what we could do next in this area. Maybe more contact with our immediate neighbours?

**Mostly Craft**

Saturday 20th July 2016

1:30 - 3:30pm

Children 5-11 years (Accompanied)  
Crafts, Sausage Sizzle, afternoon tea.

Call Donna 817-5412.

Please note the new times this year