

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF

ST FRANCIS

96 PARK ROAD, CNR TITIRANGI BEACH RD JUNE 2014

“...nor the furious winter rages...”

Winter is a time when everyone hibernates and goes to sleep, right?

Wrong—not at St Francis! As you’ll see, we have lots of activity over the coming weeks to involve and inspire you.

The Winter Series has started: Dylan Thomas, board games, and yesterday a film. Next is Jazz—see later.

Next Sunday is Pentecost. More on that later too. Then 22nd it’s a special Mid Winter service to brighten the climatic gloom.

You’ll see news too of “Mostly Craft” next Saturday 7th June, and the Friendship Circle on Wednesday 11th June.

Remember also Wednesday communion this week at Soldiers’ Memorial 10am, and Evensong next Sunday 8th here at St Francis 5pm, with our enabler Chris presiding and preaching.

Lots more to tell you, so read on!



Diary notes

8th Pentecost

8th 5pm Evensong

!4th Sat Jazz 3pm

22nd Mid winter

Pentecost fire and wind heralds the spirit

The Feast of Pentecost is sometimes seen as the birthday of the church. Read about it in Acts Chapter 2, 1-13.

A Worship sub committee of Freda, David Crawley and Lindsay has been planning this celebration. We don’t promise to reproduce the full Monty recorded in Acts, but you’re invited to wear something red, orange or yellow for a touch of flaming colour. It’s next Sunday, 8th June.

There’ll be some contributions from the “Mostly Craft” gathering the day before, possibly dance, possibly decorations.

Be prepared to say the Lord’s prayer at the appropriate mo-

ment in another language if you are so gifted, all speaking at the same time! It’s worked well before.

We have some guest speakers too, so a special celebration seems assured.

As described last issue we have a “Calling” at the end of August to fill a number of key positions. This is an integral part of Local Shared Ministry.

See back page for a few more details. Note that enabler Chris will be here to answer questions on Sunday 27th July.

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A special welcome to our visitors today

Noah, a celebration: Mystery play comes to St Francis

Here's something indeed different for St Francis.

Freda writes: I have wanted to put this on since I saw Benjamin Britten's opera at Corbans a couple of years ago. It is the sort of thing I did at training College. I love BB and Mystery Plays because they are of the people and include all ages.

Mystery Plays go back to medieval times and were a way for to keep the stories of the Bible alive for those who didn't read . They have a humorous turn - this one does anyway - and it comes from the Chester Cycle of plays.

You will have a copy of the script to keep as a programme so you can join in the hymns and read the story again afterwards. This is a most interesting and exciting enterprise. Do support us and possibly join in. Here are some Dates for your diaries:

22nd June: An Introduction to Noah after church and CASTING. Nothing is set in stone but I thought Christine and Lindsay could do Noah and his wife; God; Brian Moore and his wife Rosemary as leader of the Gossips. Gossips will sit at the back of the church at tables drinking. We're suggesting 1920's gear.

I know Gillian's game. Any of you? Suggestions have gone out to a number of people: a certain baby may make its first stage appearance.

I do hear that a cat is being developed as a character and a mouse for her to chase, plus a dinosaur for good luck. It *is* Noah's ark.

29th June: after church our first rehearsal

6th July: 2nd rehearsal:

13th July: Dress rehearsal:

19th July: after 5pm if there is a winter series group: Helpers to come to set up church for play.

20th July: presentation and Celebration of Noah. In his own way he was a Conservationist.



If you have a large ladder on which God could sit can we borrow it? Do you have a small sail we could raise when Noah sets off? Valerie and 'Mostly Craft' children have been making masks so it should be a colourful and joyful occasion.

Let's make it a great 'do'.
Cheers, Freda

Community Outreach

Many thanks to Betty and the distribution team led by Valerie for the posies made and given away on Mothers' Day.

As always the gifts were received with warmth and in some cases surprise.

It's an activity well worth repeating. Maybe something similar on Fathers' Day?

Several of the Ministry Support team attended a Diocese get together at Selwyn Library last month for a talk on the motion carried by General Synod regarding same sex marriage. A working group has been established to report back.

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Pastoral care corner—some events not to be missed

Getting to know you – 3rd Aug

On the 3rd August after church, the Pastoral team invite you to a “Getting to Know you” morning tea.

Because we have several parishioners who have joined us in the last year or so, it’s a chance to chat and get to know each other better. And it is particularly important before our “calling” happens in August.

Our newer parishioners may like to get up and say a little about themselves, but there’s no pressure at all. We’ll have music playing and finger food for refreshment, so you probably won’t need lunch! Please come for a happy gathering.

Offers to prepare food:

There’s a list for the above at the back of the church, so if you can help in bringing a plate on the 6th July, please put your name down. We need asparagus rolls, topped crackers, club sandwiches, muffins savoury and sweet, Devonshire scones.

Thank you!

To those who have offered to be church ‘greeters’ and drivers

when required. A new roster will be made shortly. Hopefully it won’t be too often so you won’t feel it’s too much of a commitment.

To those who are “care givers” for those who need help in church.

To Moira Tecklenberg who has agreed to join the Pastoral Care ‘team.

To Susan Wightman who has offered to wash the altar linen after our plea in last newsletter.

And to our parishioners who already do much in the way of Pastoral Care work in the community.

Christine Nash

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MOSTLY CRAFT

Fun Activities for children
5-11 years(accompanied)
St. Francis Church
Corner Park and Titirangi
Beach Roads

SATURDAY 7th JUNE 2014

1-3pm

Free, refreshments provided
Enquiries: Donna 817-5412

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Pam brings you Market update

Just to let you all know, we will be postponing the June and September mini markets until possibly the end of October or November, depending on the completion of the building work.

We have decided it would really be too much to try to organise it around the same time as the work is being undertaken. I will keep you informed closer to the time. If you do have anything for the market,

please keep it at home for now, as we are trying to minimise what is stored in the garage as the space will be needed for storing office and other church belongings.

If you have any queries then just let me know. Many thanks, Pam



Worship Times:

Sundays 9.30am

First Wed 10am(SMT)

Second Sun 5pm Evensong

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Readings for June:

We have included the Psalms in case you would like to read them for the scheduled day, although we do not usually incorporate them into the service.

1st: Acts 1:6-14; 1 Pet 4:12-14; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11;

8th Pentecost Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104: Cor 12:3b-13; John 20:19-23 or 7:37 - 39.

15th Trinity Gen 1:1-2-4a; Ps 8; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Matt 28:16-20

22nd Isaiah 42:10-20; 2 Cor 5:14-19; John 15:9-17

(22nd "Te Pouhere Sunday" designated to celebrate our life as a three Tikanga Church)

29th Gen 22:1-14; Psalm 13; Rom 6:12-23; Matt 10; 40-42

Olive Vinsen has moved to Lexall Care in Henderson to recuperate for a little while. Then she will go back to rehab before returning home. David G requests your prayers for Jonathan Mane Wheoki of Henderson Parish. Please also pray for the Henderson church of St Michael and All Angels during a time of transition for them.

More news and notes from here and about

Mostly Craft:

Saturday 7th June. - 1.00pm. Two themes this time: Animal mask making and invitation to children to take part in 'Noah' in July; Pentecost - flag making and doing a celebration dance both at M.C. and on Sunday for any who would like to come.

If anyone would like to offer help with the afternoon tea, it would be welcome. Please take a flyer on Sunday and give it to someone.

Friendship Circle:

10.00 - 12.00 Wednesday 11th. June at Esther's, 54A Park Rd. Ph.817.1994.

All are welcome for a cuppa, a chat, and friendship. Do bring a friend: you don't have to come to service to qualify!

I suggest everyone bring a question/comment about the Bible. Discussing these will keep us busy.

City Mission:

You too can feed someone: all it takes is two cans. The Two Can Appeal replaces the City Mission's annual Orange appeal. Please bring two cans of food (or cash donation) each Sunday for the month of June for the City Mission which will distribute the food to where it is most needed.

Remember too our usual contributions of foodstuffs to Waitakere Outreach for the people of West Auckland.

Council note:

The Lenten Appeal raised \$300 – thank you for your donations.

Our building work on the stage and porch area experienced a small hiccup. We have re-requested tenders, and hope to receive quotes from four companies by end July. Then work we hope will start in August.

About the "Calling"

A few more thoughts: For particular roles the congregation "call" people they think will best serve in those roles.

27th July: Question and Answer session. Please write down your questions regarding local shared ministry and give them to Norman. Chris Harris will answer them.

Winter Series: We're hosting at St Francis an afternoon for jazz enthusiasts on Saturday 14th June, 3-5pm. Bring a couple of your favourite jazz CDs, plus a few comments about the music and its background. All welcome.