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at St John's Church, Te Awamutu
St Paul's Church, Hairini
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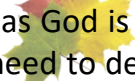
Winter approaches, *the long dark* stretches before us. Trees are becoming stark, soil soggy, growth is slowing. For a time, everything is barren, fields bare, colour bleak, mornings misty and grey. We stay home and shut in. As the temperatures drop, cold seeps into our bodies, slowing movement and action. Dark mornings and long nights lead to dark thoughts, to loneliness. Cheerfulness ebbs away, depression slips in like fog. We can lose hope that things will improve. But experience tells us that is only for a season, that appearance is a false guide to the reality because hidden away, sap is rising, buds forming, seeds sprouting. We know this because it has never NOT happened. Autumn and winter *always* follow summer, and spring *always* follows winter. We just have to get through the winter

*“While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night **shall not cease**”.*

Genesis 8:22

Genesis gives us this picture of God’s faithfulness. Just as we can rely on the weather to warm up again, we can rely on God to be faithful. We wait in hope for warmth and light to return. It is also true that there are many situations in life that feel like a winter. Sometimes we may not be so sure that the season of cold and dark will move on. It is in these times that we hold onto hope.

To some people the fortunes of this parish seem to have been in a winter season. This was a thriving parish with each of its four churches full of worshippers on Sundays. Social and spiritual activities abounded. Children were present. Now, numbers have diminished. There is not just a lack of children but two or three generations



are missing. Again, I say. God is as faithful in this aspect as God is in bringing the seasons one following another. We do not need to despair but to keep praying and listening to God. This is what Eugene Peterson (writer of the Message Bible) says about hope:

“Hoping does not mean doing nothing. It is not fatalistic resignation. It means going about our assigned tasks, confident that God will provide the meaning and the conclusions. It is not being compelled to work away at keeping up appearances with a bogus spirituality. It is the opposite of desperate and panicky manipulations, of scurrying and worrying. And hoping is not dreaming. It is not spinning an illusion or fantasy to protect us from our boredom or our pain. It means a confident, alert expectation that God will do what he said he will do. It is imagination put in the harness of faith. It is a willingness to let God do it his way and in his time. It is the opposite of making plans that we demand that God put into effect, telling him both how and when to do it. That is not hoping in God but bullying God.”

Our hope is that this parish will continue to serve God, that it will lead people to become disciples of Christ. That it will be a vibrant force and centre of Christian faith, loving service, social justice and care for creation. That hope is not ungrounded. Nor is it unheard. I believe that we are at the beginning of a new season for the parish. As Archbishop Emeritus Sir David Moxon has been saying, “The wings of the Holy Spirit are flapping.” I am equally sure that the parish will not return to things the way they were in the 1970’s or 80’s, or indeed anytime last century. But a 21st century bicultural representation of Christ’s work in the world will develop here. Our part is to continue to love and serve the Lord, or as Eugene Peterson puts it, “a long obedience in the same direction.”

Rev'd Julie Quest

A Long Obedience in the Same Direction: Discipleship in an Instant Society by Eugene Peterson, 2000 . Published by InterVarsity Press, Downers Grove, IL. www.ivpress.com

Many Thanks

The family and I would like to give our sincere thanks and love to all in the Parish who helped to give Brian a wonderful send off.

To Julie who put many hours into putting the service together and being able to bring laughter into the service with her witty comments... for being there for me over the past 2 years in so many ways and especially the care at the time of Brian's passing for both Nigel and myself.

- ♦ **To Beth** who graciously gave of her time to play the organ so beautifully.
- ♦ **To Andrew** who worked the sound system and allowed everyone to be heard.
- ♦ **To both Annette and Norris** for their very special contribution in honouring Brian.
- ♦ **To all the wonderful ladies** who set out, served the afternoon tea and cleared up afterwards. My very special thanks to you all.

My heartfelt thanks to all of you. May God bless you in your giving.

Linda Sloan and all my family.

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St John's Women's Christian Fellowship

Next Meetings: Tuesday June 8th, 11 am in the Lounge.
Tuesday July 13th, 11 am in the Lounge.



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What's On at St John's

<u>Sunday</u>	8.00 am	Service (Old St John's, Te Awamutu)
	9.00 am	Service (<i>1st & 3rd Sundays</i>) (St Paul's, Hairini)
	9:30 am	Service (St Saviours, Pirongia)
	<u>10.30 am</u>	Service (St John's, Te Awamutu)
<u>Monday</u>	9.30 am	Knit and Natter (Lounge)
	10-2.00 pm	Pirongia Craft Group (St Saviours)
	5.00 pm	Outreach Meal (Lounge)
<u>Tuesday</u>	9-10.00 am	Gardening Group (<i>2nd Tue</i>) (St John's)
	11.00 am	Christian Women's Fellowship <i>every second Tuesday of the month</i> (Lounge)
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:30-11.00 am	Mainly Music (Hall)*
<u>Thursday</u>	11 am	Mid Week Service (<i>1st & 3rd</i>) (Old St John's)
<u>Friday</u>	8.30 am	Morning Prayer (<i>In Vicar's office</i>)
	5 -7 pm	Friday Club (<i>ex Youth Group</i>) (Hall)*
<u>4th Sunday of the Month</u>		Evensong at St Paul's, 5 pm
<u>5th Sunday of the Month</u>		Evensong, Old St Johns, 4.30 pm followed by Social Parish Meal at Te Awamutu RSA.

(Meetings with an * are term time only)

(If no 5th Sunday then RSA Meal held on 1st Sunday of the month at 5.30 pm)

Upcoming Events:

June

Sun 6th	Te Pouhere Sunday Irihapeti Te Paea Potatau Portrait Unveiling, 4pm in Old St John's and overflow in St John's
Tues 8th	St John's Women's Fellowship— 11am, Lounge.
Sat 26th	Matariki Messy Church— 4pm, St John.

July

Sun 4th	Board Game Café, 3pm, followed by RSA Meal.
Sun 25th	Evensong at St Paul's.

Thanks from Norris

Just a quick word to all you saints of St John's Parish for attending my farewell service on May 2nd. It was a deeply moving and humbling experience which I will never forget. It was a great joy to meet Archbishop David Moxon again, and to work with him in the sanctuary one last time.

Many thanks also for the generous farewell gift which will be useful when I purchase more art supplies. You are far too kind! I will never forget you or the time I have had at St. John's.

Blessings and best wishes to you as you serve Christ and minister in His name in this local mission field. May He inspire and teach you that which is yours to do.



Shalom to you all.

Norris Hall tssf



Festive Monday Meal

June 21st



Please come and share a meal – it may be scary! Certainly not scary (boo!) but scary (different).

While listening to a recent sermon given by Steph, I heard the word ‘scary’ often in relation to the early church’s worries, questioning and fears concerning “now what happens” when Jesus would no longer be walking with them. How do we go about things? Who does what? When will we now meet for goodness sake? Such questions may have been heard.

Many of today’s challenges can be most unsettling, when they don’t appear to fit a perceived norm. On a Monday at 4 pm no one knows who will walk through the lounge doorway, yet the reassuring comfort and strength of the Holy Spirit who works a seven-day week plus overtime never fails!

By sharing food we are sharing the Good News in one of many ways which take us from the comfort of a Sunday.

The Archbishop of Canterbury writes: “Professional evangelists are wonderful; thank God for them. They are utterly necessary, totally essential – but they are not sufficient. Every Christian is required to be sufficient.” (*From his 2015 Lambeth Lecture*).

You are warmly invited to come along at 4 pm on Monday, June 21st to a festive Monday Meal. If you have not been before, it will of course be different, though not so scary that you won’t see Christ of the Breadlines maybe just in front of you.



Johanna Halder

In Remembrance



We commit to God and
pray for the families of:

Don Seager
and
Joan Harding



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for noting by our
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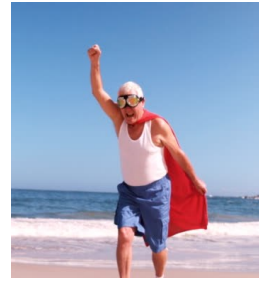
If you need someone to pray for you regularly, or if you know someone who is sick and needs prayer, please remember that the Prayer Chain is here to journey with you and in confidence.

Ph. Amy Rewita 870 2040 or the Office



***Archbishop Philip addressing
the congregation at
the combined Pentecost Service at
St John's on May 23rd, 2021***

Why I Like Retirement!



Question: How many days in a week?

Answer: 6 Saturdays, 1 Sunday

Q: When is a retiree's bedtime?

A: Two hours after falling asleep on the couch.

Q: How many retirees does it take to change a light bulb

A: Only one, but it might take all day.

Q: What's the biggest gripe of retirees?

A: There is not enough time to get everything done.

Q: Why don't retirees mind being called Seniors?

A: The term comes with a 10% discount.

Q: Among retirees, what is considered formal attire?

A: Tied shoes.

Q: Why do retirees count pennies?

A: They are the only ones who have the time.

Q: What is the common term for someone who enjoys work and refuses to retire?

A: NUTS!

Q: Why are retirees so slow to clean out the basement, attic or garage?

A: They know that as soon as they do, one of their adult kids will want to store stuff there.

Q: What do retirees call a long lunch?

A: Normal.

Q: What is the best way to describe retirement?

A: The never-ending Coffee Break.

Q: What's the biggest advantage of going back to school as a retiree?

A: If you cut classes, no one calls your parents.

This has to be a favourite...

Q: What do you do all week?

A: Monday through Friday, NOTHING. Saturday & Sunday, I rest.



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Rest Home Ministry



Every month teams from this Parish lead worship in the various rest homes in Te Awamutu. The team which visits San Michele comprises Judith Megaw, John and Shirley Maxted and me. We are always greeted warmly both by the staff and residents. Almost always the altar has been set up for us with loving care that also conveys a welcome. In May, the beautiful leaves spoke of the seasons of autumn and with their red and orange colours, also of Pentecost to come. It was so lovely to arrive to.

Judy, Shirley John and I are aware of the privilege we have in being able to embody God's love for the people in San Michele as we worship with them. It is an uplifting experience for us and we can see that it is for those present month by month. If anyone feels moved to offer themselves to join our rest home ministry team, please speak with Julie. With Norris's retirement we are more stretched than we were and would welcome help.



Julie Guest

New Podiatry Clinic at St Saviours

In addition to the Mahoe Med Clinic held Thursdays at St Saviours (Phone 07 872-0923 for an appointment), we now have a Podiatrist on board to come along on the first Friday of each month.



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Irihapeti Te Paea Potatau

When I arrived in St John's I spent much time in prayer seeking God's direction for this parish and my particular ministry here. I had experienced a wonderful sense of the Holy Spirit with me when I first entered Old St John's. The sacredness of the many years of worship and prayer impacted me deeply. I sensed that God wanted to do something connected with this church. I also had a sense that it was to do with the history, but I was ignorant about that as yet. So I started reading and researching. The more I read, the more I realised this rich history needed to be shared.



At the same time there seemed to be a growing interest in New Zealand history in the general population. I came to believe that we as Christians need to be aware of the history and the powerful story of Christ's transforming grace enacted right here in and around Te Awamutu where Maori encountered the living Christ, initially through the work of CMS missionaries. We need to know the history and understand the place this parish has in those stories. We also need to share those stories, firstly to help people understand the deep hurts that have been inflicted on local Maori, and also so others may encounter the power of Christ's love. The best way seemed to be to offer a Pilgrimage across the parish. A pilgrimage, would guide people to hear God at work, offer a chance to be immersed in the beautiful sacred spaces and allow each person to discover a God inspired response to the history they learn.

I needed help and was directed to Bishop David Moxon, whose knowledge of the history is immense and growing, and who was already leading pilgrimages in other places. It is to Bishop David

that we owe the progress that has been made thus far. He has advised, encouraged and supported vestry every step of the way.

Placing a portrait of Irihapeti Te Paea Potatau in Old St John's was one of the steps to preparing the pilgrimage that Bishop David recommended to Vestry. At present there are two portraits in the chancel; Bishop Selwyn and John Morgan. Both men were integral in the mission here. But Irihapeti's role in protecting the church has been overlooked all this time. Irihapeti was the first-born daughter of the first Maori king Potatau Te Wherowhero, who was born at Otawhao, Te Awamutu. She was also the greatly respected sister of King Tawhiao.

Following the military attack at Rangiaowhia which resulted in the deaths of women and children in a burning whare on 21 February 1864, Maori threatened to burn down (Old) Saint John's in retribution. (as it had become the constabulary church at the arrival of the troops in Te Awamutu) . Irihapeti placed her mana on the church of St John she loved, to protect it during the conflict. Without Irihapeti's protection this beautiful historic church which is Waikato's oldest surviving building, would not still be standing today.

Irihapeti's portrait will be placed in the chancel of Old Saint John's. She will be unveiled during an evensong service on Te Pouhere Sunday, 6th June beginning at 4pm. A buffet dinner will follow. With the planned attendance of King Tuheitia and his entourage, Anglican Archbishop Philip, Bishop Ngarahu Katene, Archbishop Emeritus Sir David Moxon, Waikato Maori Missioner Reverend Cruz Karauti-Fox, and the Mayor of Waipa, among others, it will be an enormously important event for this Parish and community. Come and celebrate with us.

Rev'd Julie Guest

Vestry

APRIL MINUTES

MATTERS ARISING

1. **Possible Parish Office redesign** – (*in response to security concerns*). Architect requires wish list. What size required for office rooms? Toilets inadequate – would need minimum of 4 plus a disabled toilet are needed to get up to code. Architect Ross McGowan estimates \$50,000 as a starting point
2. **External Hard Drive** – Andrew Guest recommended a good hard drive to purchase to back up Parish computer files

VICAR'S REPORT FOR VESTRY – April 2021

Following the Rural ministry discussion meeting held here last month, Archdeacon Sue Burns shared her report. The Bishop and his team will now study the reports from all the meetings and come back to us with suggestions for a way ahead. I have discussed with Archdeacon Sue the next step for us. She believes that a suggestion for re-shaping the ministry units and the way they work will emanate from that office.

I have now asked Stephen Black to lead us in a visioning day...which will include how we can work towards the vision. I.e., are there things which need to stop in order to release resources for something else? A date will be set following Rural Ministry report back.

Other issues in brief:

- **Easter services:** Better attendance at each than the first year I was here. People appreciating being able to gather. Service of the Light at St Paul's – good for a first time.
- **Staff review dates:** Shirley - 4 May; Amy - 5 May; Roz - 6 May and Julie 13 May.

DATES AND PLANNING:

The following dates are proposed and not set in concrete- Check current pew sheets for up to date details

First Sundays of months July and August to possibly hold Board Games café in the afternoons.

Could advertise to whole of Te Awamutu.

JUNE

6th Te Pouhere Sunday - placing of portrait in OSJ.

26th Matariki Messy Church. Saturday at 4pm

JULY

4th Board Game cafe, 3pm, followed by RSA Meal

25th Evensong at St Paul's

AUGUST

1st Board Game cafe, 3pm, followed by RSA Meal

14th Messy Church

22nd Evensong at St Paul's

29th Evensong at OSJ followed by RSA Meal

SEPTEMBER

25th Messy Church

26th Evensong at St Paul's

OCTOBER

1st – 4th Vocal Competitions Society

3rd St Francis Blessing of the Animals Service. Pirongia Craft Fair

8th - 10th Synod

17th Combined Service with Methodists at St Johns

24th Evensong at St Paul's

31st Light Party at Albert Park. OSJ Evensong, followed by RSA meal.

NOVEMBER



- 13th Messy Church
- 14th Remembrance Day (Students)
- 28th Evensong, St Paul's

DECEMBER

- 5th Carols /Brass Band at St Saviours
- 12th Carols at St Paul's
- 10th Sheep Nativity Messy Church
- 19th OSJ Historic Christmas

- **Stewardship Sunday** – teach people how to give regularly without cheques. June, July or August.
- **Three Legged Stool** – Request to finish course from last year. Steph to consider dates.
- **Cleaner at St Saviour's** – Advertising online and at supermarkets.
- **Grave maintenance** – lead lettering coming off graves. Graveyard needs care. Form a 'Friends of Graveyard Group'. Contact historical people who were coming in February.
- **Cash Counting** to happen fortnightly instead of weekly due to more parishioners using automatic payments.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Diocesan Annual Parish Information update form** – Vestry members need to fill in their details.
- **Murray Gardiner seconded to Vestry as treasurer.**
- **Vicarage Lease renewal** – Alan Empson. Lease is for 12 years.
- **Bunnings Lease** – Bunnings have found someone to take over lease. Still waiting for details.
- **ANZAC Day Wreath** – Trevor Natzke thinks we should lay wreath at the 11am service. Do we continue with the TACCLA or have our own wreath? Decided to continue with TACCLA wreath
- **Kitchen at St Saviours** – needs hand washing sink, no paper towel dispenser, rubbish bin on door. Roz to contact Aitkenhead to see if they could supply a paper towel dispenser.
- **Lawnmowing at St Johns.** Alan to get quotes. He can get someone to mow in interim. Plunket should be responsible for mowing at the end of St Johns where their clients park.
- Recognition requested be given to Peter Trubshaw for mowing at St Saviours.
- **Vestry meeting time and dates.** Many Vestry members prefer an earlier starting time.
Moved that Vestry meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. (6.45pm worship, 7pm start.)

MAY MINUTES

MATTERS ARISING

- **Fibre 'N' Fabric** – Quote for new curtain track for corner window in lounge.
Moved that we accept the quote. Women's Fellowship kindly offered to buy the tracks. Thank you.
- **Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki** – Received faculty to sell 8 pews. Could move 3 pews into hall. Op Shop have been asked by shoppers if they could buy sofa in hall lobby. A 2-seater sofa was offered to replace it. Agreed Op Shop can sell existing one.
- **Rosetown Rockers** – email. Request to hire hall on Mondays for koha.
Moved that we charge normal hireage fee to Rosetown Rockers.
- **Jocelyn Taylor** – email. 'Keeping us safe' cards. We agree with the concept and will produce our own card. In an emergency we need a qualified first aider present. Who are our first aiders? To check.
- **Colliers** – invoice. Needs to be actioned as soon as possible.
- **Johanna –discussion re Monday Meal.**
- **Freezer space required.** Chest freezer could be an option and could also be used as a table top. A chest freezer offered to trial. Needs transporting.
Moved that we trial a chest freezer in the lounge.

- **Monthly Movie Night.** Licensing movies for public screening may be a problem, but approved of in principle.

HEALTH & SAFETY – Paul Bryant and Andrew Guest. Items covered:

- **Vacuum cleaner** for hall. Proposed we buy new vacuum with older backpack vacuum being used for hall. Being the same model they can use same accessories/ consumables.
Moved that we buy the \$500 Pacvac vacuum cleaner. Thank you to Andrew for his research.
- **Administrator PC Review** – look at this again next month.
- **Back up Storage Devices.**
Moved that we purchase 1 terabyte back-up hard drive.
- **No Accidents and incidents** have been reported. **Health and Safety Policy** needs to be adopted. Policy distributed by Paul to vestry members to peruse. Vestry members are asked to email the office after they have read the document.

WORKS REPORT – Alan Empson

- Colliers Lease valuation for Bunnings site. Waipa Council have bought the buildings off Bunnings. Bunnings have paid up to 31/12/21. From 1/1/22 a new lease is to be negotiated between Trust Board and Waipa Council. Main building lease is set for 21 years, Gully lease every 3 years. To be used as Museum and Discovery Centre.
- Lawns at St John's – 'Grass Plus?' Roger Neale has mown St John's to work out a quote. There is another lead to follow up.
- Repaint for Old St John's needs to be considered in the near future. Could apply for a separate grant from Heritage fund. The OSJ stained glass front windows are warped. Need assessment for repair.
- Floodlight timer for OSJ has been adjusted to save power.

FINANCES

- **Clergy Housing** – Further to request at AGM Vestry investigating a 10-year bank loan to purchase a house to rent out at around \$550 pw rental.
Moved that we investigate further the idea of purchasing a house along the lines of the paper presented by Paul Bryant.
- **Land at Little Oaks** -4-5 acres – was gifted Maori land. Investigate the possibility that the land be donated back to Ngati Apakura as it produces little value for St John's Parish and has no power and water services to it.

VICAR'S REPORT FOR VESTRY – May 2021

- **Pilgrimage:** Two very successful events were held on 10 and 11th May Tamahere and Cambridge respectively. Feedback is that people from those parishes are wanting to know more so they too can join a pilgrimage.
- **Leave:** I took leave from 14th to 22nd April. Note that clergy leave expires at the end of the year it is earned unless taken. I returned in time to prepare for ANZAC day dawn services.
- **Thanksgiving and Farewell Service:** Reverend Norris Hall was fare-welled in style. Our other volunteers acknowledged in a service where Bishop David preached and presided.
- **Performance Reviews.** Staff positions have been reviewed with the following points to come to Vestry:

Cleaner: Shirley

- * Request to purchase Vacuum and mop to be in hall. This would save cleaner having to carry a cleaner to hall each time, and will also mean there is one there for hall users.
- * Purchase a Karcher window cleaner to be kept in flower room, so available for working bees. A window cleaner was donated by Vestry member

* A "to-do" list is to be set up for people to note any area they notice needs cleaning attention. Report such items to Amy who will add to the list.

Office Admin: Amy

- * Computer is very slow. Investigate: can be improved? or replacement.
- * Amy currently studying Certificate of Business Administration. Cost \$60 admin per paper. 4 Papers. Costs were donated by Vestry members.
- * Amy (and Julie) would like Website development training. Investigate what's available and costs.
- * A weekly planning meeting for Admin staff and Vicar to be Tuesday. Office to be closed 9-10 Tuesday (after Op Shop has collected their money)

Office Admin: Roz

- * Magazine publication is a pressure point.
- * Roz could do a better job if she could run a better software for pictures. Adobe Elements approx. \$100. Could vestry OK that or something similar? Donated by Vestry member.
- **Forward Planning: 29th May.** Report from Rural Ministry review to be presented by Archdeacon Sue Burns and Archbishop Philip at Te Kuiti. After we have heard what that is proposing, Vestry can reassess our plans. I approached Steven Black who is very willing to lead our Parish Ministry Review day on a date to suit both, but he suggested we attend this first.
- **Further to Vicars report:**
- **Portrait Presentation** – need catered kai afterwards. Alan would like to know tasks need doing beforehand. Need protocols for national media coverage. Let police know of event. Choir pews to be removed temporarily.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Rosetown Rockers** request to use hall. See Correspondence.
- **Asset Register.** Resend out list. Representatives from each church required to compile info.
- **Homeless Storage** – to be discussed. Suggested wheelie bins attached to concrete poles on George St with solar lighting under a shelter, in public view. They would provide their own padlocks. Could chain to fence-line in Plunket carpark on George St.
- **Moved** that Vestry to investigate possibilities and effects of installing storage for the homeless, and seek funding assistance from Council.
- **Cleaning at St Saviours** – Amy Presant has offered to take over cleaning.
- **Moved** that Amy Presant take over the cleaning of St Saviours and put a contract together.
- **Mainly Music** – now only operating Wednesday this term.
- **TACCLA Report** – Light Party rides are arranged by same person, dropped traffic management. TA Intermediate has suspended religious instruction pending enquiry. City wide Gospel outreach by Joseph Lee in September. Foodbank – 40 parcels given out last month. 1st parcel free, support offered for subsequent requests.
- **Podiatrist to start at St Saviours Clinic** on 1st Friday month of (4th June). Also available to do home visits. Jessica Dobbs Podiatry.
- **Zip in office kitchen** – needs repair. Alan to follow up.





When the day takes its toll

You are with us.

In the clamour of strife

You are with us

When the world turns sour

You are with us

Make me aware, dear God,

Of the eye that beholds me,

The hand that holds me,

The heart that loves me,

The Presence that enfolds me.



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