

# Melcomes You

### **CELEBRATING LIFE**

On Wednesday we heard the very sad news of the death of Bishop Jim White after a long and painful battle with lymphoma. Bishop Jim was the Vicar of St Andrew's from 2005-08. Assistant Bishop of Auckland for 9 years. Jim was 'one of the good guys — one of the best of men'. He loved good wine, and good coffee. He loved Jane, Samuel and Sophie, prayer, kayaking, Savile orange



Oihi Dec 2013 after kayaking from Auckland

marmalade, cycling, cats, liturgy, poetry, theology. He loved God and he loved our church. He was a faithful parish priest and Bishop who brought his deep intellect and wisdom to everything he did. Jim was not afraid to call out injustice within the church and the wider community—and fought with all his heart for what he believed. Jim could be a challenge to work with. His unwavering opinions could be frustrating at times, but he worked passionately and tirelessly for the church believing with all his heart that 'we' could be better. He was a passionate supporter of the church of Melanesia and George's College, Jerusalem. Whatever the test, he found a way through. Jim was able to find common ground with those whose opinions differed from his. Committed to finding cooperative ways forward on many divisive issues, he played a pivotal role in the 2018 General Synod agreement allowing the blessing of faithful same gender relationships and thus the ordination of those in same-gender relationships. Bishop Jim had been Deputy Protector for First Order in NZ, Society of Saint Francis - and also Bishop Protector for Third Order Society of St Francis, Pacific Province (TSSF Pacific). It is fitting we should remember him on St Francis day today. Bishop Jim



had a wonderfully full heart, mind and soul which enriched us all. Sarah

The St Andrew's Pastoral Care team invite you to join us in prayer on Sunday at 5pm as we remember and give thanks for the life of this remarkable man.

4th OCTOBER 2020
Season of Creation - St Francis Day

# DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS MONDAY

Psalm 111:1-6 / Galatians 1:6-12 Luke 10:25-37

Revealing God, you consistently open our minds and hearts to your presence, active both within and among us. When our neighbours 'lie wounded', may we show them your healing love. When we see suffering, give us courage to touch and bind up, both our own wounds, and those of others. With Jesus we pray. Amen.

### **TUESDAY**

Psalm 139:1-9 / Galatians 1:13-end Luke 10:38-end

Steadfast God, even when we have persecuted our neighbour, you still show us new ways of grace. Help us appreciate, that our success, fame, or busyness matters little to you. Enable us to come to you, empty, open and willing to give ourselves to you.

With Jesus we pray. Amen.

### **WEDNESDAY**

Psalm 117 / Galatians 2:1-2,7-14 Luke 11:1-4

Compassionate One, even our most faithful forebears were divided by details of faith. So too are we. Open our hearts and minds, that we may be united as your body now. Lift our spirits, that we may always hallow your name, and profess our persistent longing to know you in our daily lives.

With Jesus we pray. Amen.

### **THURSDAY**

Canticle Luke 1:68-79 / Galatians 3:1-5 Luke 11:5-13

Generous God, you invite us to ask for what we need, to search until we find, to knock until doors open, and we find our way to your heart. Guide all our actions by your Spirit; for action without faith can be shallow, and faith without action delays the coming of your reign of peace.

With Jesus we pray. Amen.

### **FRIDAY**

Psalm 111:4-end / Galatians 3:7-14 Luke 11:15-26

Life-giving God, you shower blessings on all people. Through Jesus, you show us the way of faith in you. May we, like our forbears, live by faith, uniting with our neighbours, in order to dwell in peace. Cast out all that divides us from each other, that we may be your body now. With Jesus we pray. Amen.

### **SATURDAY**

Psalm 105:1-7 / Galatians 3:22-end Luke 11:27-28

O God, you are the womb from which we come to birth. Through Jesus, you help us understand our uniqueness in you. May we delight in your promise of new life. Enable us truly to comprehend that we are part of your reign of justice and peace in this world. With Jesus we pray. Amen.

Our Daily Bread Jenny Harrison and John McAlpine

## **CHURCH CLEANING WORKING BEE**

We are cleaning inside the church only Saturday 31st October

9am start

We need people to help with:

- \*Dusting
- \*Vacuuming
- \*Wiping around the windows
- \*Cleaning the skirting boards
- \*Cleaning the brass
- \*Tidying

Please get in touch with Denise Bray if you are able to help on the day. denisebray97@gmail.com



### **WOODWORKER OR CRAFTSMAN WANTED**

Anyone who knows of a woodworker or craftsman please see Neil Shroff.

# CHURCH HAPPENINGS

### WHAT TO EXPECT IN CHURCH - SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER

- There are 2 identical Fucharist Services in church at 8am and 9.30am. No need to RSVP. The 9.30am service will be zoomed for those worshipping from home. **Phone 884 6780** from a landline or go to www.zoom.us Meeting ID # 664-003-107
- \* Please use the contact tracing app or register your name as you come in.
- \* Please use hand sanitizer as you come in.
- \* Printed service and pew sheets will be available. You might prefer to bring an electronic copy on your device for hygiene and conservation reasons.
- \* Please ensure you maintain 1m social distancing from those who are not in your 'bubble'.
- \* Each service will include communion in one kind. Both bread and wine will be consecrated. Only bread will be shared with the congregation.
- \* There will be no singing, but we have beautiful recorded music to enhance our worship.
- \* We will not share hospitality after the service until we return to Alert Level 1.
- \* No Sunday School this Sunday because it is the School Holidays.

# **ZOOM REFERENDUM EDUCATION FORUM** CANNABIS LEGALISATION AND CONTROL

St Andrew's Epsom presents an evening of information and education on Zoom, designed to help you make an informed vote in this referendum on election day.

THIS MONDAY! rofessor Chris Wilkins and Dr Marta Rychert, Massey University College of Health

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at 7.30pm

Meeting ID: 812 9553 4330 Passcode: 277779

The Zoom Invitation with an easy link will be sent closer to the time. Any queries please email: office@standrewsepsom.org.nz or Phone (09)638 8264

### STRAWBERRY FAIR NEWS



The Fair Committee, Jocelyn, Jane, Dianne, Denise and Bridget have made the decision that we would prepare for the fair, which will be Saturday 14 November. We do not know what the health situation in New Zealand will be by that stage of the year, but we decided to be positive and assume that all will

be well. If it is not well, we will rethink AGAIN.

We need two or three helpers who would be available to run the Strawberry Stall on the day, because both Lucy and Karen, who have been the strawberry team for some time, will both be overseas on that day. Everything you need will be ready for you on the day. The strawberries are ordered and will be ready at the hall on the day. The rest of the supplies, paper bags, chocolate, crock pot etc. will all be organised, and instructions will be written down and given to you before the day. If you haven't yet experienced the fair as a stallholder this is your opportunity. It is a lot of fun.

Any questions please ring Bridget 022 533 7300 or email bm.graham@xtra.co.nz

### PARISH DIRECTORY

Parish Mailing Address: 100 St Andrews Road, Epsom, 1023

Parish Office: Karen Ross (09) 638 8264

office@standrewsepsom.org.nz Tuesday to Friday 9:30am - 2:30pm

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Vicar: The Reverend Sarah Stevens-Cross

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vicar@standrewsepsom.org.nz Please note Monday is Sarah's day off.

**Deacon Assistant:** The Reverend Julian Morris (09) 638 8264 **Pastoral Care Co-ordinator:** Lucy Best (09) 520 0093 Mobile 021 350 480

Services: Sunday 8am and 9:30am, Wednesday 10am

If you would like to give via Automatic Payment or Direct Credit

The Parish bank account is: 06 0103 0780441 00

# Those helping in Worship today:

Presiding Priest:
Reflection:
Technical Team:
Reader 8.00am:
Intercessor and Reader 9.30am:
Sarah Stevens-Cross
Lesley Anderson
Brian Tracey
Cynthia Landels
Dianne Kenderdine

**Welcomers at 8am:** Graeme Landels and Basil Hutchinson

Welcomers at 9.30am: Derek Ion, Lesley Anderson, Gordon Attwood

# **RUTH PRETTY Christmas Cakes and Pudding**

In support of the Friends of ATWC
1.2kg Boxed Cake \$60
750G Pudding \$36
450g Pudding \$26

Please see order form at the back of church.

Join us for fellowship & coffee Tuesday Coffee at 11am

HOLLYWOOD BAKERY 2/100 Pah Road Royal Oak



BAKERY ESPRESSO

### **ADVANCE VOTING**

The Upper Room in the Parish Centre at St Andrew's is an advancing Voting Place for the 2020 General Election and will be open for advancing voting on the days and times below:

Sat 3rd Oct 10am-4pm Sun 4th Oct 12pm-4pm Mon 5th Oct—Sat 10th Oct 10am-4pm Sun 11th Oct 12pm-4pm Mon 12th Oct-Fri 16th Oct 10am-4pm

