



Worship Today...

Sentence – Theme Verse

You heavens above rain down righteousness;
let the clouds shower it down.

Let the earth open wide, let salvation spring up.

Isaiah 45:8

Collect – Theme Prayer

God of all hope and joy, open our hearts in welcome,
that your Son Jesus Christ at his coming
may find in us a dwelling prepared for himself;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit
one God now and for ever. Amen

Scripture Readings

23 December Advent 4

- Micah 5:2-5a
(Pew Bible p756)
- Luke 1:39-45
(Pew Bible p831)

25 December Christmas Day

- Hebrews 1:1-4
- Luke 2:1-16

8am - A Quiet Communion Service (BCP)

Followed by breakfast in the Tui Room.

Presider: Mark Chamberlain. **Preacher:** Jenny Wilkens. **Assistant and Prayers:** Maurice Walker. **1st Reading:** Eleanor Horne. **Gospel:** Liz Spooner. **Sidesmen:** Charles Collins and Peter Dobson.

9.30am - Eucharist with Hymns and the Baptism of Sylvia Lillian Fowler followed by Morning Tea in the Tui Room and farewell to Philip Robinson

Presider: Philip Robinson. **Preacher:** Jenny Wilkens. **Organist and Choir Director:** Denis Guyan. **Assistants and Intercessions:** Ruth Harwood, Jenny Glasson, Isaac Heap and Leni Havea. **1st Reading:** Erica Bennett. **Gospel:** Ben Wamamili. **Prayer Ministry:** Peter and Mary Mills. **Power Point:** Diana Hann. **Welcomers:** May and Brian Carrell. **Sidespeople:** Cran Bull, Peter Fowler, Howard Le Couteur and Steven Marshall.

10am – ‘Lifestreams’ in the Hall with the Baptism of Evan Nicholas Thorpe and Jordan Alexander Thorpe followed by Morning Tea.

Leader & Preacher: Phil Parkes. **Presider:** Jenny Wilkens. **Assistants:** Gavin Kingsley and Angela Brown. **Prayer Ministry:** Andrea Caldwell and Helene Aubrey. **Readers:** Estelle and Aaron Thorpe. **Intercessions:** Ray Stagg. **Welcomers:** Lynette & Dominica Crestani.

Hospitality: Joanne Dacre & Cat McCallum.

12noon – Tongan Language Service

Leader: Leni Havea.

N.B. No Evening services today

Christmas Eve Services Mon. 24 Dec

- 4pm Christingle Service for children – enact the Christmas story; children, come dressed as shepherds, angels or wise men! Christingle = ‘Christ Light.’
- 11.15pm Traditional Midnight Service with candle-lights and choir in the church – begins with carol singing. Formal service begins at 11.30pm.
- 11pm Antioch Midnight Service in the Hall – contemporary with band, beginning with supper. Service begins at 11.30pm.

Christmas Day Worship

8am, 9am and 10.15am in the Church
Communion services with Carols

- 10am Lifestreams in the hall – Family Christmas Communion with carols, contemporary songs and children’s talk. Children, bring your Christmas presents!

Wednesday 26 Dec. & 2 Jan. 2019

N.B. No 8.45am Services

Welcome

Anglican Parish of Fendalton ...

Kia ora, Malo e lelei and welcome to our worship services today! We trust you feel at home among us. Please stay for refreshments after all our morning services and ask a Welcomer for more information about life at St Barnabas!



A note from the Vicar...

Ordination of Peter Carrell: Peter Carrell is to be ordained bishop on Saturday 9 February. Tickets to the service at Boys’ High are very limited – only 15 seats were allocated to our parish, most have been distributed to members of Vestry and Staff. *We have 4 still available, contact the Parish Office if you’d like to attend.* However Peter’s installation as Bishop of Christchurch will take place at 3pm on the same day in Cathedral Square and all parishes are being invited to come in large numbers. I hope we can form a large St Barnabas contingent and walk into the square together along with hundreds of other Anglicans. More info. to come.

Refugee Family: At our last Vestry meeting we agreed in principle to support a refugee family coming to Christchurch early next year. We will need to form a support team and Olive Lawson has kindly offered to

coordinate this. Members of the team will need to go through the Police vetting process and attend a training session with the Red Cross. This is a marvellous opportunity to extend God’s love to a family coming from a country where there is conflict. It also reminds us that our Lord Jesus Christ, whose birth we celebrate, was once a refugee fleeing from danger. Contact Olive on 021 067 6587 or 388 6882 if you are interested in joining the team.

Confirmation: Confirmation is a way of expressing commitment – by a person baptised as an infant or by a person returning to faith after a time of absence or by a person wanting to strengthen their faith through careful preparation and public declaration. There is to be a confirmation service with our new Bishop Peter on Sunday 3 March. If you would like to be confirmed, please see me. Arohanui, Mark



Parish Calendar...

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Services – see back page

Wednesday 26 December

8.30am No morning Eucharist

Thursday 27 December

9am -12noon The Parish Office is open
Thur.27, Friday 28, Monday 31 Dec.
10am Eucharist

Wednesday 2 January 2019

8.30am No morning Eucharist

Thursday 3 January

Office hours return to normal 9am-3pm
10am Eucharist followed by Morning Tea

Sunday 6 January

7pm St Barnabas Young Adults Night
Prayer and Worship at Sign of the
Bellbird.

Sunday 13 January

5.30pm St Barnabas Young Adults meet at
Cave Rock, Sumner. BYO food

Monday 14 January

1pm Selwyn Centre 'Seniors Health and
Wellbeing Group.' ☎ Ruth 354
1428.

Sunday 3 February

5.00pm AAW Hymns Of Praise

Sunday 3 March

Baptisms and Confirmation by our new
Bishop
12noon – 3pm Community Fun Day & Picnic

Wednesday 6 March Ash Wednesday

7pm Combined Service at Holy Trinity
Catholic Church

Parish News...

AGM Reports: All ministry leaders are asked to write their reports for AGM booklet by **Friday January 25, 2019** please. If possible please submit by email to Marion - office@stbarnabas.org.nz. These reports are of great encouragement to all members of the parish.

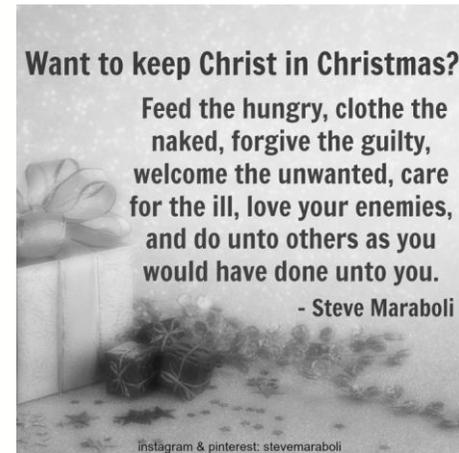
Restart Dates for 2019:

Selwyn Centre	Monday 14 Jan.
St B's Play Group	Wednesday 13 Feb
English Class	Thursday 7 Feb.
Youth Group	Friday 1 Feb.
Fridayzone	Friday 8 Feb.
Mainly Music	Friday 8 Feb.
Antioch	Sunday 10 Feb.
Kidzone	Sunday 10 Feb.

Please contact the Parish Office for details of the start dates of other groups

St Thomas' Chattels:

Good homes are being found for a number of the precious items from the interior of St Thomas. The kneelers, hymn boards and the Jones lectern have been donated to the St Margaret's College chapel. It's wonderful that these items will continue to be loved and used in worship.



Beyond the Parish...

Reaching out Through Christian Radio: We have an incredible opportunity to share the gospel with those who've never understood it. This Christmas 2018, we'll be reaching over 250,000 listeners on their favourite radio stations. We do need your help to take full advantage of this tremendous opportunity. Providentially, the air-time is free, but we have large production costs to cover. Phone (09) 525 2730 or go to <http://cba.org.nz/give> or ☎ 0900 80 222 to make a gift of \$20 from your phone account."

City Mission Needs Our Help this Christmas Season: Demand for the Foodbank is up 44% and predictions for December are they will disperse nearly 2000 food parcels. They forecast they will need to feed 1,000 people for Christmas Day Lunch. All the services they offer usually get about a 30% increase in demand in these two weeks prior to Christmas. Please continue to help by placing items in the baskets at the back of the church. Further information is available on the City Mission Web Page.

Study Theology in 2019!: Theology House in Partnership with St John's College offer a Diploma of Christian Studies in 2019. All details at www.theologyhouse.ac.nz or ☎ Claire on (03) 341 3399.

Strandz is the hub of Children + Families ministry in the Anglican Dioceses of NZ: We encourage, equip, resource, train and cheer on those working in this important ministry. Our prayer is for all Anglican Dioceses, parishes, mission units and churches to be welcoming, intergenerational communities of faith, where children encounter God and find a place to belong. The latest newsletter can be downloaded -<https://www.strandz.org.nz/news.html>.

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For more information visit our website - www.stbarnabas.org.nz

Follow us on Facebook - facebook.com/st.barnabas.nz/

Parish Bank Account for Financial Giving - ANZ 01 0819 0003971 00

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How to get involved...

Bible Study Groups: There are a growing number of mid-week Bible Study groups in the parish meeting at different times and places. If you're interested in joining one of these groups please talk to one of the Clergy.

Parish Prayer Meeting: This group meets fortnightly for prayer. Come when you can to pray for ourselves, parish & community. Contact Virginia Simmons on 027 255 1887.

Stillpoint: A quiet, reflective time using creative ways to engage with God. It meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Church. Contact Diane Brooker-Newton on 352 5448 for more information. *Stillpoint won't meet in January, but begins again on 5th February 2019.*

Choirs: If you are interested in singing and would like to join either the Sunday morning or Parish Choir please call Denis Guyan 343 4074 or the Parish Office 3517064. The Sunday 9.30am morning Choir practise is Sat 10am & 8.30am Sun. The Parish Choir meet on Thur. 7.30pm for practise in the Makora Room and 4pm on Sunday before the 5pm service.

Lifestreams Band: If you sing or play an instrument and would like to join the Lifestreams Band please see Emma Parkes or phone her on 021 082 52276.

Rosters: If you would like to join a welcoming or hospitality team, please see one of the parish staff – greeting or pouring tea is a great way to get to know others.

Thank You!

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed frozen chickens, frozen vegetables, money and other Christmassy fare towards the annual St Ambrose Aranui food hampers. Our donations were deeply appreciated.

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of faith". Galatians 6:9-10

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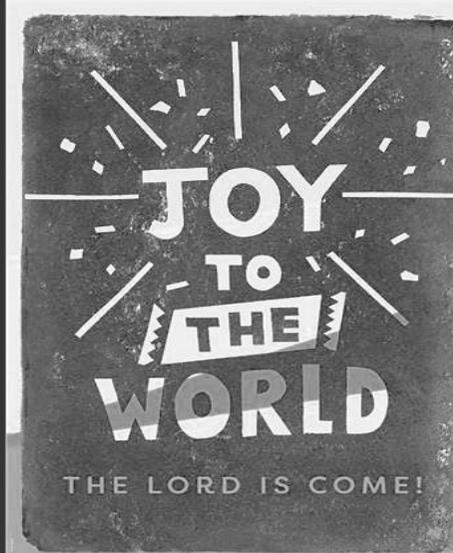
Parish Mission Statement...

- Foster inspirational worship and prayer
- Enable people to grow in faith and service
- Encourage children and young people to follow Jesus Christ
- Develop as a compassionate, spiritual centre in our community
- Seek new ways of carrying forward Christ's mission nearby and far away

If you have any ideas, energy or passion to contribute to our mission, speak with the Vicar or another member of staff and let's make some happen.

Joy to the World!

- **'Joy to the World' Summer Photo Invitation:** Take photos of moments when Joy was part of your summer holiday and include your 'Joy to the World' bracelet in the photo.
- **Send photos to office@stbarnabas.org.nz; before 3 Feb** Lifestreams Summer Celebration Service 10am in the hall.
- **Look up!** Pray for families and individuals who find the Summer break a tough time.
- **Look in!** Write and share 5 things you can be grateful for this week.
- **Look out!** Find a way to include someone in your Summer joy.

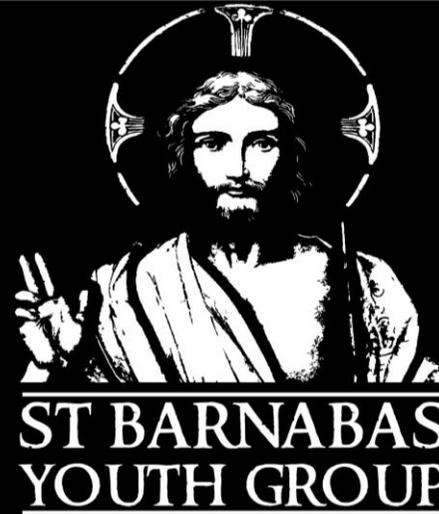


Youth News

Friday Night Youth Group: Youth group has finished up for the year...but take a look at our new logo! Those of you with a keen eye will recognise this particular image of Jesus from the church.

Youth group starts up on Friday 1 Feb 2019. Contact Phil for more details on 022 032 3663 or phil@stbarnabas.org.nz.

The Revs: Our Sunday morning bible study for yrs 7-10, usually during our Lifestreams service, is taking a wee break during the summer holidays. Starting back in February.



Young Adults...

Antioch: There is NO ANTIOCH tonight – Sunday 23 December - because we are saving our energy for the best night of the year – our Christmas eve midnight service! Meeting Monday night 11pm for supper in the hall. The service with carols, communion and a Christmas message beginning at 11:30.

Small Groups: We have two young adult small groups that are currently on a break for the summer but will start back soon. If you would like to know more please contact our Young Adults guy Phil – phil@stbarnabas.org.nz.





Christian World Service 2018 Christmas Appeal 'Be the LifeLine'

Partner Story from the South India: For Gender Equality

For years, most south Indian girls suffered in silence. Their brothers ate the best food, attended school and did fewer chores. When they grew up, the same patterns continued. It was not fair. The number of violent attacks on women are increasing. EKTA has been a lifeline to men and women wanting change. They do the research, educate men and women about gender, and run successful campaigns to stop discrimination based on gender and make the city of Madurai safer. Already they have lobbied local government to set up a desk at a major bus station to help children who are lost or in danger of being trafficked. **Be the Lifeline to women and men seeking safety and fairness.**

Lighting the Advent Candle of Love

For those who look for love, but are abused,
For those who have lost family and friends,
For those who live where there is strife or war,
We light the candle of love.

(Light the candle)

**You, Lord Jesus, renew our love, and pour love into the world.
May this light signal a breakthrough, a brighter future,
a new order and a better way.
Amen.**

Pastoral Care Update...

Our Pastoral Care Team is happy to call in on anyone you might know of who is in need of companionship and/or prayer. In this time of Advent, let us be aware of the needs around us. Contact the parish Pastoral Care Coordinator Watiri Maina.

Please pray for God's healing for the following...

- Fay Isitt
- Lynda Domigan
- Beryl Newman
- Louise Hewson

- Jenny Robinson
- Lorraine & Owen Jones
- Robyn
- Alison

We express our sympathy...

- Please pray for the friends and family of Maurice Mahoney, Mary Taylor and Helen Wright whose funerals were held at St Barnabas recently and for all who will be missing a loved one this Christmas time.



Decorations

Thanks to Shirley-Anne Collins and her team for decorating the Christmas Tree in the church. And thanks to Val Beckwith and members of the flower guild for the beautiful flower arrangements this Christmas.

Outreach – Prayer, Care & Support...

English Language Class: This is for immigrants or refugees wanting to learn the English language. Phone Olive on 021 067 6587.

Selwyn Centre: The Selwyn Centre for seniors is a great place to be for gentle exercises, fun, fellowship & afternoon tea. 1:15pm in the Hall on Mondays. Contact Ruth Harwood on 354 1428.

Parish Prayer Group: A parish prayer group meets at the home of Virginia Simmons. If you would like to attend please phone Virginia on 027 255 1887.

Frozen Meals: Nutritious frozen

meals are available for families or individuals who are in need. Please let the office know if you know of anyone who might value a meal.

Text Prayer Ministry: For emergency prayer for yourself or others text Angela Brown on 027 335 0105.

Home Communion: Please tell Marion if you know of anyone who you think would like to receive Home Communion.

Home Visit: One of our clergy or lay team will visit on request.



Episcopal Ordination of Peter Carrell

A message from Diocesan Manager Edwin Boyce:

"Plans are well underway for the ordination and installation of our Bishop-elect, Rev'd Dr Peter Carrell on Saturday 9 February, 2019. It's not often we get to welcome a local as Bishop, so let's make the most of the celebration. The event is in two parts:

Ordination Service, where the Rev Dr Peter Carrell becomes a Bishop.

It will be held at Christchurch Boys High School. Seating is limited, and the allocation of seats to each Parish is being coordinated by your Archdeacons. Tickets are essential. Parking details and other info will be sent out in late January.

Installation of Bishop Peter Carrell as the Ninth Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Christchurch. This will be held in Cathedral Square in front of the Cathedral at 3pm. This is an exciting event that all are welcome to attend. Tickets are not required. Anglicans are being asked to gather in parishes, with their parish banner, line up with their clergy, and stand at the 4 corners of the square, behind their Archdeacons. Archdeacons will lead us into the square for the service. This is a celebratory gathering, a reclaiming of the Square, and a message to all that we follow Christ. Let's demonstrate that Anglicans are alive and active! Be ready to sing and make a joyful noise! This 30 minute service will be held rain or shine, so bring umbrellas for shade or rain, and comfortable shoes for walking. This is a standing event. Anyone with limited mobility requiring a seat, please let your Clergy know as early as possible."



Barney's Blog

Special thanks to those who came carolling to local rest homes last Tuesday. About 30 turned out to bring some Christmas cheer to the senior members of our community. Special thanks to Denis Guyan who conducted us!