



THE MOORING POST

ANGLICAN PARISH OF FENDALTON – ST BARNABAS AND ST THOMAS
The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia – Diocese of Christchurch

The Blessings and Obligations Of Our Kiwi Heritage

Brendan McNeill engages with the Vicar's March Editorial

In the last edition of Mooring Post Rev Mark encouraged us to avoid the trap of national pride that leads to social exclusion, and reminded us that it is Jesus who lays claim to our ultimate loyalty. Therefore, is it appropriate for a Christian to celebrate their national identity, and those aspects of our culture that make us uniquely Kiwis?

It was God who originally invented the idea of nations in which Abraham, was to play a key role. Gen 18:18 tells us: "Abraham will surely become a great and powerful nation, and all nations on earth will be blessed through him"

It would appear that nations, that is people united by a common descent, history, culture or language and inhabiting a particular state or territory, form part of God's redemptive purpose.

Never the less, we in the west appear to be losing the overarching meta-narrative that once bound us together with a sense of national identity. Few today would rally around 'God, King and Country' in the same way my father did seventy years ago as the nation contemplated WWII. Regardless of how we may view that sense of national identity today, this loss has made us more tribal and more conflicted about who we are as a

people, what we believe, and how that is best expressed.

In addition, over the last twenty years we have seen significant numbers of people from other cultures immigrate to New Zealand seeking the security and economic opportunity that our nation offers. Presently 25% of New Zealand's population was born overseas. This represents both an opportunity and a risk for us when considering our sense of national identity.



As Christians we are called to love our neighbour, and this includes people of all faiths, cultures and ethnicities. However, not all cultures produce the same outcomes. Clearly some create more livable societies than others. This is particularly true when it comes to the treatment of women and religious minorities.

During his ministry Jesus deliberately elevated the status of women, the effects of which are still uniquely felt in western cultures today.

Following his resurrection on Easter Sunday, it was not Peter or any of the disciples to whom Jesus first appeared, but rather to Mary Magdalene upon whom he bestowed this honour.

There is no compulsion associated with Jesus teaching or example. The idea of forced conversion or the subjugation of one's enemies is foreign to New Testament Christianity. It is impossible therefore to separate the cultural ideas of equality between the sexes and religious liberty from the influence of Jesus teaching and expressions of the Christian faith.

New Zealand, on the basis of its British and European Christian heritage has developed a cultural, economic and political environment that has been a thousand years in the making. While not without its faults, it has produced more liberty and opportunity for individuals and their families than its many competitors.

As Kiwi's this inheritance is a blessing that has been passed down to us, and as a people we should celebrate. It is one expression of God's goodness we are obligated to share not only with future generations, but also with those from other nations and cultures who have not benefited from our history, or the influence of Christianity, but have chosen to make New Zealand their home.

Brendan McNeill | Lifestreams

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them."

2016 ANZAC DAY SERVICE

10am Monday 25 April at St Barnabas.

Let us remember and give thanks for the ANZAC soldiers and all who served our country through military service. Colouring Competition Prizes will be presented.

'The Mooring Post' is a phrase from p479 in A New Zealand Prayer Book/He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa. Christ is described as the single mooring post for many waka – Ko te Karaiti te pou herenga waka. Christ is the one who unites us.



218 Main South Rd, Sockburn. 348 0811 www.dalewis.co.nz



LAMB & HAYWARD
Funeral Directors
467 Wairakei Road
Phone 03 359 9018
www.lambandhayward.co.nz



Over 24 years experience & consistently ranked amongst Harcourts' best.

Steven Marshall AREINZ
Mobile: 027 433 0401 Phone: 03 355 6116
steven.marshall@harcourts.co.nz
www.stevenmarshall.harcourts.co.nz
51 Holmwood Road, Fendalton

Holmwood
my kind of people



NEW WORLD

Fendalton

19-23 Memorial Ave Open 7 Days 7.30am-9.00pm
Locally owned since 1936

Life issues? We all have them.

If you need a listening ear and a caring heart to help you find a way through yours, contact

PETERSGATE COUNSELLING CENTRE

Monday to Thursday: 9am to 8.30pm, Fridays: 9am to 5pm

Call 343-3391 or email director@petersgate.org.nz

www.petersgate.org.nz

The Memorial Church of St Barnabas, Fendalton

From 2014 to 2018, as we commemorate the centenary of landmark events of the Great War, we are reminded of the contribution and disproportionate sacrifice made by this distant British dominion and fledgling colony.

New Zealand's population in 1914 was approximately 1.1 million, of whom almost 100,000 served overseas. Of these, 41,000 were wounded and 18,000 died. Families and communities were brought together in grief and remembrance and throughout New Zealand there are over 900 registered First World War memorials. Fendalton has a war memorial church.

The Church of St Barnabas came into existence in 1876 as a small, wooden chapel-of-ease in the Parish of Riccarton. Over the next 50 years the population of Fendalton increased, and the enlarged wooden church served the new Fendalton parish. There was a long-term vision that the colonial church would one day be reconstructed in 'permanent materials'. Alongside the daily running of the parish and construction of the vicarage, Sunday School and Wroxtton Mission Room (the future St Thomas's), some funds were gradually accumulated for the future stone church.

The Revd Thomas Hamilton, Vicar of Fendalton from 1898 to 1919, was a man of wide experience, compassion and vision. Both through the more formal Vestry Minutes and his own highly-readable autobiography 'The Years That Are Past', Revd Hamilton's plans for a stone church building for the parish can be traced. A former officer in the Royal Navy, he felt duty bound to remain as Vicar through the war years, delaying his own retirement. He looked ahead to the end of hostilities and planned for the future of the parish.

Fendalton was still a village with a large rural parish in 1925, although also serving the leafy suburb along the Avon tributaries. It was the 75th anniversary of the Canterbury settlement, but also on many people's minds in the 1920s was the responsibility to respect and remember those who had served and fallen in the Great War.



Construction of St Barnabas Church

The community rallied together to build the Memorial Church, a beautiful 'English village' design set in landscaped grounds that would house the flags and memorial plaques. Residents made donations according to their means, from stained glass windows to individual schoolchildren donating pocket money to purchase a slate for the church roof.

The Memorial Church of St Barnabas is now 90 years old. The responsibility of this generation is to continue the worship, plan for the future, care for the fabric, appreciate the legacy, and remember the young men of Fendalton to whom the memorial church is dedicated. Lest we forget!

Frieda Looser

Youth Ministry at St. Barnabas

Contact Harry Newton 027 342 2574

Youth Group: Christian youth community! Friday nights in the hall. 7 - 8.40pm for yrs 7 - 9 & 8.20-10pm for yrs 10-13

The Revs: Christian group for high school age young people. Meets on Sundays during Lifestreams at 10.30am.

Beryl Newman – Still Active at St Barnabas in her 98th Year

Beryl Newman began life in Opotiki in the Bay of Plenty where her father worked on farms. She was the fourth child of six and now the only survivor. Beryl's first recollections of going to church were her younger sister's christening and going to Sunday School in the north of Auckland by horse and gig. The family moved back to Christchurch in 1927 to join the wider family circle.

She became a school teacher and in her early married life taught in schools in the Oxford area. Later she was a teacher at Fendalton School. Many of her past pupils still remember her!

Beryl's first encounter with St Barnabas was when she gave a talk to the Mothers Union on "Famous Mothers". In the 1970's Beryl joined St Barnabas and then she became involved in the St Thomas's Church Committee. She moved back to St Barnabas after St Thomas' closed following the earthquakes. Today she is a regular member of the Daytime

AAW and of CAMEO.

The biggest change that Beryl has seen is the casualness of dress at the Sunday services - no "Sunday Best" anymore! The atmosphere and feeling that is created in the church is something she loves and also the interaction of the clergy during services and it being a kindly parish. Beryl often has feedback from her taxi drivers who comment on how St Barnabas is such an active and important part of this community. Beryl is very proud of her family and how they worked very hard to achieve success. She has four children – three daughters and one son.

Each day Beryl tackles the Press cryptic crossword and I am sure this has contributed to her very active mind. She is very keen on sport and she was very active in her earlier days and now she watches it on television. She is also the oldest ex pupil of Avonside Girls High and gave a wonderful speech, without notes, to the school community. This was a

gathering to farewell the old school.

Beryl is a wonderful lady who cherishes her independence. She is one of our oldest active parishioners. Thank you for being a part of the parish!

*Written by Shirley-Anne Collins
from an interview with Beryl.*



Review of the 2016 AGM

The 141st Annual General Meeting of the Parish of Fendalton was attended by around 70 parishioners on Wednesday 2 March 2016. The evening reviewed the achievements of the last twelve months and looked forward to the aspirations and vision for the coming year. There was a very positive atmosphere, some valuable and welcome questions, and some well-considered answers provided.

Verbal reports were provided by the Vicar, the Wardens, the Treasurer, the Work's Team and the Church Interior Facilitation Team. Details of these reports can be found in the annual report booklet published on the Parish website or available from the Parish Office. This booklet is a very full and readable account of the mission and ministry of the parish.

The huge number of groups and activities in the Parish demonstrate the strong commitment by Parishioners to support St Barnabas

both within the parish and outside. A total of about 31,000 voluntary hours are provided with loving enthusiasm as we serve Christ's mission in our community.

While the financial results for the year were not unexpected they were nevertheless disappointing. Vestry and the finance team have worked hard to produce a realistic and acceptable budget for the coming year – a cash deficit of around \$18,000. With the support of parishioners, and some future work by the Stewardship Team, we are hopeful that we can aim for a breakeven position by the end of the year.

Office Holders for the coming year are as follows; People's Warden: Wendy Kington. Vicar's Warden: Don Mackenzie. Treasurer: Alistair Sheard. Accounts Reviewer: Howard Le Couteur. Ordinary Vestry Members: Linda Adams, Cheryl Earl, Peter George, Corinne Haines, Laura

Murray, Madeleine Price, Marcus Read, Rebecca Sewell, Maurice Walker, Patsy Wardell, Chris Wilson and Nigel Yeoh. Moka Ritchie, Alison Tait and Steve Wakefield continue as the parish's Synod Representatives.

Angela Moore and Chris Thomson did not seek re-election. Rev Mark thanked them both for their contributions over the past 12 months.

Corinne Haines | Vestry Secretary





Association of Anglican Women

Aim: To unite in prayer and participate in the mission of the Church. To promote, safeguard and nurture Christian family life.

Daytime Group

Wednesday 6 April at 2pm in the Tui Room.

Guest Speaker: Rev Dr Pauline Stewart
'Caring for others.'

Leader: Madeleine Price – 354 4299

In Betweens

Tuesday 19 April at 7.30pm in the Hall.

Guest Speaker: Antony Gough,
Chairman of the Central City Retailers Association.

Leader: Trish Carrick-Leslie – 351 5179

Fridayzone; a Great Place for Children and Families to Hang Out

Imagine a fun place to come to have food, fun, faith, family craft and a meal together on a Friday afternoon. A place ex-Playgroup, ex-mainly music, community, Primary School age children and families and friends can come to hear about the Love of God – this is Fridayzone – a weekly taste of Messy Church!

Imagine the joy of bringing your children straight from school and having afternoon tea together and free play with sports equipment, soccer game, puzzles, board games, playdough, art activities, book corner and enjoying a chat with other parents. Or dropping them off for a few hours and coming back for an evening meal including ice-creams in a cone with chocolate fish!

Imagine a gathering time when children can celebrate their week, build friendships, Guess the Message of a Bible verse on the day's theme and hearing a Bible story followed by activities that reach the heart of a child in creative and memorable ways.

Imagine back ground music that mentions God's promises and love and singing "My God is so Big, so Strong and so Mighty" and "Jesus Loves the Little Children." This is Praising God Fridayzone style.

Imagine a place where children can learn new life skills including making simple meals like pizzas or share their strengths by teaching others new art activities or games. Fridayzone has an outward focus on generosity to others by making cards for Mainly Music and Kidzone and filling 'Operation Christmas Child' boxes and 'Love in a Box' gifts at Christmas. Imagine a place where children practise acts of service by helping with the tidy-up and setting of the dinner table.

Imagine 12 - 20 people aged 3mths to 50's talking, playing games, sharing grace, saying the Lord's Prayer with actions, sharing a sit-down dinner – this is Fridayzone All Age Community and Celebration and Hospitality.

Fridayzone is more than a Christian After-School Club for children and families. It is a fresh expression of doing church together – Fridays 3pm – 5.30pm. Fridayzone is a place where adults are enriched by learning from children and allowing them to minister.

This is how a team from Lifestreams are being St Barnabas Encouragers and fulfilling the Parish Mission – fostering inspirational worship and prayer, enabling people to grow in faith and service, encouraging children and young people to follow Jesus Christ, developing as a compassionate, spiritual centre in our community and seeking new ways of carrying forward Christ's mission nearby.

Imagine being part of sowing seeds in the hearts of a new generation. Come and join the Fridayzone Team and community and realise that this is the best place to hang out on Friday afternoons!

Angela Brown | St Barnabas Children and Family Worker



"Home Assistants for Seniors helps seniors to live confidently in their own home, enabling them to continue experiencing the 'joy of life'."

Our assistants provide home care, companionship and support



Services are personalised to include:

- *Outings and shopping
- *Escorting to appointments
- *Help with household tasks
- *Support - post hospital discharge
- *Live in night time support
- *Ongoing communication with family

Contact Jo or Felicity on phone 03 669 2669 or email
info@homeassistantsforseniors.co.nz or visit the
website: www.homeassistantsforseniors.co.nz

Boutique Retirement living close to St Barnabas

HOLLY LEA

CARE, INDEPENDENCE AND SECURITY FOR NOW AND THE FUTURE

- Quality Apartments
- Independent living to rest home level care
- Knowing you never need to move within the Village



For further information and a tour

Phone Robyn Molony, Village Manager

03 351 3004 x 700

123 Fendalton Road, Christchurch

www.hollylea.co.nz

A Way Forward for the Blessing of Same Sex Partnerships?

For many years our church, in fits and starts, has edged its way towards making some kind of formal change to its formularies (official, authorized services of worship) and canons in respect of blessing same-sex partnerships and transparently accepting as candidates for ordination and for appointment to parishes, those in same-sex partnerships.

In 2014 a significant step was taken through a resolution known as "Motion 30" to say that as a church we wanted to both uphold our current, traditional doctrine of marriage and to find a way to authorize blessings of same-sex partnerships. That motion set up a working group and in February this year their report and recommendations were published in a 52 page document titled "A Way Forward He Anga Whakamua Na Sala ki Liu" (hence, AWF, which can be read and downloaded from www.anglicantaonga.org.nz/Features/Extra/Way-Forward).

AWF offers a way forward

to retain; (1) our current marriage services, (2) nearly all the wording of our current canons on marriage and to adopt (3) new rites for the blessing of civil marriages (both those contracted between two people of the same gender and contracted between two people of the opposite gender) with (4) consequential revising of our definition of rightly-ordered relationships so that a partner to a blessed civil marriage may be accepted as a candidate for ordination or, if ordained, be appointed to a licensed ministry role.

Already the report is engendering discussion, debate and deeper study of what it proposes and the rationale it gives for its proposals. At 7pm on Friday 1 April, for instance, Bishop Victoria has invited the Diocese to gather at St Christopher's Avonhead to hear Prof Chris Marshall speak about First and Second Order Issues in relation to how we read the Bible (see www.anglicantaonga.org.nz/News/Tikanga-Pakeha/WFdoctrine).

Prior to our General Synod reps heading to the Synod in Napier (begins Sunday 8 May), there will be a series of meetings around the Diocese to discuss AWF and other issues. The crucial discussion will be at General Synod. What will it make of the report and what will it decide about the recommendations it has made?

Peter Carrell | Director of Theology House



The Wafer Room by the Numbers

Shirley-Anne and Charles Collins give a breakdown of Wafer Room activity by the numbers

Number of Roles = 3 – Bakers, Packers and Borers.

Number of Volunteers in the Wafer Room Team = 27 made up of 12 Bakers, 12 Packers and 3 Borers.

Total volunteer hours per week = 50 hours.

We produce;

- 14 supersize wafers per bake
- 36 supersize wafers are bored at one time
- 16 boxes of People's Wafers are packed from a bore
- 200 People's Wafers per box
- 10 boxes of Priest's Wafers per bore
- 36 priests wafers per box

We distribute to;

- 50 local organisations
- 85 nationwide organisations

Annually we produce;

- 1200 boxes of People's Wafers
- 200 boxes of Priest's Wafers.

But we need your help! If you would like to join the Wafer Room Team or want to know more, please contact Charles and Shirley-Anne Collins, phone 343 6263.

Special thanks to Shirley-Anne and Charles and the whole Wafer Room Team for their amazing commitment week by week by providing wafers to over 130 ministry units across the country and providing income to our own parish. Ed



A warm, caring community within a peaceful setting.

Phone us on 03 351 5979.

Villas, rest home rooms, fully serviced apartment & studios.
73 Bryndwr Road, Christchurch.
www.fendaltonretirement.co.nz

Anglican Living
Aged Care / Among friends
BISHOPSPARK

Retirement living & residential units available

Call to arrange a visit or email:
operations@anglicanliving.org.nz

www.anglicanliving.org.nz | 03 977 2320

FENDALTON MALL PHARMACY

proud supporters of our community for over 40 years

Fendalton Mall
19-23 Memorial Avenue
Christchurch 8053

Phone: 03 351 5336
Fax: 03 351 5346

dispensary@fendaltonpharmacy.co.nz
shop@fendaltonpharmacy.co.nz
www.fendaltonpharmacy.co.nz

Farewell to Sam and Kim Knight

Reflections on the Young Adult Ministry of Sam and Kim Knight

Young Adults at St Barnabas have been incredibly well served under the pastoral care of Sam and Kim Knight over the past couple of years. Humble, funny and unassuming, this pair – Kim and Sam - wholeheartedly welcomed and provided a safe haven for our young adult group.

Each young adult has appreciated the authentic and honest approach to life and relationships which both Kim and Sam exhibit. Sam Knight never seemed to be in a hurry or running to a schedule. He has time to talk to people, listen and have a laugh, exactly when a listening ear has been needed. Kim has a similarly warm and compassionate personality.

Both have brought a very thoughtful approach to the Tuesday young adults meetings, and have allowed everyone in the group to have their say in what happens, and which issues are discussed – in light of an eternal view on life.

Thank-you, Sam and Kim. We are already missing you both, now that you've departed for our neighbouring parish Merivale-St Albans.

Liesl Johnstone



Great Start To The Year For Youth Group

In the warm summer's breeze on 12 February two teams of young people donned their florescent head bands and faced off against each other for an epic flag attack battle. The contest waged back and forth with one team even sending a car away for reinforcements but eventually the Yellow Squad claimed victory – and with it first dibs on the pizza!

Since that first eventful evening St Barnabas Youth Group (or St B's Young Gangsters according to some) has had a number of new faces come out of the woodwork and it has been great to be able to offer hospitality to a number of youth from different walks of life.

Each evening we have spent some time exploring the Lenten study series written by Peter Carrell, albeit in a slightly more interactive manner! Our focus upon the Lenten period has been a part of our intentional building up towards Easter Camp 2016.

This year there are 18 people including leaders heading off to camp and we would appreciate your prayers, particularly for those who have yet to meet Christ for the first time.

Harry Newton | Youth Minister



What's Coming Up?

Harvest Thanksgiving

Bring your fruit, vegetables and other food gifts to this special service where we thank God for the bounty of the earth. All food will be donated to the City Mission.

SUNDAY **10**
APRIL

Prayer Ministry Training

All those involved in Prayer Ministry and those interested are invited to a special training session in the Tui Room. Start time to be advised.

SATURDAY **16**
APRIL

Commissioning of Prayer Ministers

All those involved in Prayer Ministry will be commissioned at various services today. This is a pastoral ministry that seeks God's healing through listening, prayer and anointing.

SUNDAY **17**
APRIL

Men's Breakfast

All men are welcome to come to breakfast at 8am in the hall. Guest Speaker will be retired High Court Judge Lester Chisholm. Call the Parish Office to make a booking.

SATURDAY **23**
APRIL

ANZAC Service

Young and old are invited to this community commemoration service at 10am in the hall. Colouring Competition winners awarded.

MONDAY **25**
APRIL

Vestry and Staff Planning

Vestry and Staff will meet at Trimble Navigation for the annual prayer and planning meeting. 12.30 – 4pm. Bring finger food to share.

SUNDAY **1**
MAY

DIRECTORY

PARISH OFFICE

Secretary: Marion Cook
8 Tui Street, Christchurch
Ph: 351 7064, Fax: 351 6374
Hours: 9am - 3pm
www.stbarnabas.org.nz
office@stbarnabas.org.nz

VICAR

The Rev Mark Chamberlain
Ph 351 7392
mark@stbarnabas.org.nz

SENIOR ASSISTANT PRIEST

Rev Mary Minson
Ph 021 149 6557
Mary@stbarnabas.org.nz

ASSISTANT PRIEST

Rev Dr. Pauline Stewart
Ph 021 650 103
Paulinestewart@farmside.co.nz

ASSISTANT CURATE

The Rev Harry Newton
Ph 027 342 2574
harry@stbarnabas.org.nz

MINISTRY ASSISTANT

Kofé Havea
kofe@stbarnabas.org.nz

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Angela Brown
Ph 351 3442
brown_holmwood@xtra.co.nz

ORGANIST & CHOIRMASTER

Denis Guyan
Ph 343 4074
denis@guyan.co.nz

LIFESTREAMS' MUSIC

Liz Yeoh
Ph 027 338 3053
elizabeth@stbarnabas.org.nz

CHURCH WARDENS

Don Mackenzie (Vicar's Warden)
Ph 351 9247
DWMackenzie@xtra.co.nz

Wendy Kington (People's Warden)
Ph 384 4183
wendykington@clear.net.nz

CARETAKER/VERGER

Greg Brown
Ph 351 3442
verger@stbarnabas.org.nz

MOORING POST DESIGN

Alex Thomson
Contactable through office or
alexthomson.mp@gmail.com

SUNDAY WORSHIP

ST BARNABAS (in the hall)

- 8.00am Eucharist, followed by breakfast (Tui Room)
- 9.00am Sung Eucharist followed by morning tea (Tui Room)
- 10.30am Lifestreams Eucharist with children's & youth programmes followed by morning tea.
For All Age services, check online
- 5.00pm 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays – Evensong
2nd Sunday – Choral Night Prayer
4th Sunday – Eucharist
- 7.00pm Antioch in the hall for students/ young adults but all welcome

MID-WEEK WORSHIP

- 8.30am Tuesday to Friday – Morning Prayer
Wednesday – Eucharist all welcome in the Makora Room or Prayer Room at east end of hall.
- 10.00am Thursdays – Eucharist
1st Thursday – Prayer and Healing

ALSO OFFERED...

Home Communion:
Each 2nd & 4th Wednesday in the month.
Communion is also provided at Fendalton Retirement Village fortnightly and St Winifred's & Holly Lea monthly.

Vestry News

New CYPISO Appointed: Vestry were informed that the new Children's and Young Person's Safety Officer is to be Madeleine Price. Madeleine will ensure that children's and youth activities in the parish are conducted safely and comply with the Diocesan Safety Guidelines. She is also required to attend an annual training session, submit an annual report to the Diocese and be the contact person for any incidents that may take place.

Finance Report: There was a significant and very pleasing increase in giving for the first two months of the year. Direct Credit Giving was \$42,308, \$4,985 over budget (13.3%) and a \$7,023 (19.9%) increase over the same time last year. Envelope and Cash giving are tracking according to budget.

Missions Trip to Tonga: There are nine confirmed members of this team who are planning to travel to Tonga to assist All Saints parish complete the building of their new church. On Vestry's request the Missions Team presented a Health and Safety Action plan. **Communications Team:** Vestry were informed that Nigel Yeoh has accepted the Vicar's invitation to be the Convenor of the Communications Team. Chris Thomson served on this Ministry Team for a year but because of work commitments did not stand for Vestry at the AGM. Chris has been thanked for his good work.

Engineer Speaks to Parish: Vestry arranged for CPT Peer Review Engineer Win Clark to speak to the parish about the repair methods to be employed on St Barnabas Church and this took place last Tuesday night. Win's presentation was extremely well received and focussed on the grouting and pinning methods to repair and strengthen the walls. There were a large number of questions from the floor that Win and Recovery Programme Manager Suzanne Price answered.

Tui St Valuation: A valuation report for 15 Tui St was received. This was prepared because Holly Lea have shown interest in purchasing the property. This is a long term project but it is essential that we secure the best option for its clergy housing needs.

"If a thing is free to be good it's also free to be bad. And free will is what has made evil possible. Why, then, did God give them free will? Because free will, though it makes evil possible, is also the only thing that makes possible any love or goodness or joy worth having."
C S Lewis from 'A Case for Christianity'

Andy Glasbergen
rw.glasbergen.com



"If I send my prayer as a text message, will I get a faster reply?"

Contributions to the Mooring Post:

Deadline for May Issue

Friday 8 April



Children's Ministry at St. Barnabas

St Barnabas Playgroup: Creative play for pre-schoolers on Wednesdays from 9.15 – 11.30am in the hall.
Helen Wakefield 351 3595.

Mainly Music: Music and movement for pre-schoolers and their caregivers, Fridays 10 – 10.30am followed by morning tea. Olive Lawson 021 067 6587.

Fridayzone: Christian after-school club for Primary School children. Fridays 3 – 5.30pm.
Angela Brown 027 335 0105.

Kidzone: Creative Sunday School for children 5 – 13 yrs
Sundays 10.30am. Angela Brown 027 335 0105.