

Regular Events @ St Aidan's

Sunday Services	8:00am Holy Communion 9:30am Family Communion with Youth and Kids' Church Special Evening Service on last Sunday of each month at 5:00pm in the GA.
Wednesday Service	11:30am Holy Communion without music
Morning Prayer	9:00am Monday to Saturday - in the Gathering Area.
Prayer Meeting	7:00pm Wednesday - in the Gathering Area for ½ hour.
Youth	School aged youth (11 and over), Sun at 9:30am service and Fri at 7:00pm .
Kids' Church	All children aged 3-10 during the 9.30am service . Contact Sarah Ashworth.
Friendship Group	Wednesdays at 10:00am in the Gathering Area. Join us for fellowship, games and morning tea.
Mainly Music	Wed during term time at 9.30am . Music & play for families with pre-school aged children.
Choir Practice	Saturdays at 10.30am in the Bethel Room. New members welcome. Contact Chris.
Home Groups	All welcome! Contact Sheryl or Glen for more information.
AAW	A women's fellowship group. Meets monthly on 1 st Tuesday at 1.30pm .
WEF	A women's evening fellowship group. Meets monthly on 3 rd Tuesday at 7.30pm .
St Aidan's Vestry	Next formal meeting on 20th February 2019 at 7.30pm in the Gathering Area.
Pins & Needles	A Knitting for charity group. Meets monthly on 2 nd Monday at 10:00am in the GA. All Welcome

Contacts @ St Aidan's

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St Aidan's

Anglican Church

16 December 2018

More Than Just A Story

Today's service begins on page 476 of the red NZ Prayer Book

Readings

Zephaniah 3: 14-20
Philippians 4: 4-7
Luke 3: 7-18

Sentence

Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.
Luke 3: 4b

Collect

Loving God,
John foresaw repentance, and justice to signal your coming:
shape our lives; sift our thoughts;
weigh our actions; and make us ready for that great day;
through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Welcome to St Aidan's! Please stay for morning tea in the Gathering Area after our services. If you are new, or would like more information, please make sure to introduce yourself and fill in the Newcomer's form.

- ◆ Prayer Ministry is available in the side Chapel.
- ◆ We serve wine in the common cup and grape juice in individual cups.

WORSHIP

CARING

MISSION

5 Ascot Avenue, Remuera, Auckland

What's on at St Aidan's

Prayers



- Our Christmas events coming up this week - 9 Lessons and Carols, Neighbourhood carol singing, Kids' Event, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day services
- Ourselves as we engage with our non-Christian family and friends. That we would have the right words and attitude as we look for opportunities to share the gospel
- All those who suffer as a result of violence. May we as a society have the courage to stand up against it

Today

Kids' Church will be presenting an impromptu pageant – with audience participation – at the 9:30am service today.

9 Lessons & Carols - 7pm tonight.

A performance of Christ's story through songs and readings. We have a large number of talented soloists performing, so this is an event not to be missed. Come along and invite your friends! There will be a supper of mince pies and wine afterwards. If you are able to bring some mince pies or a bottle of wine to share please do so.

This Week

Neighbourhood Carol Singing - Wednesday 19th December. Meet at the church at 5:45pm where we will begin our informal carol singing on the church lawn, then go on to sing at a couple of local homes. If possible please wear something red or Christmassy.

Coming Up

Christmas Eve:
4pm Kids' Event/Service
7pm Communion Service
11pm Midnight Communion & Carols

Christmas Day:
9am Family Service with Communion

Christmas Mission Giving

Thank you to everyone who gave to Angel Tree. You may also like to financially support:

CWS by buying from their "Gifts for Change" catalogue. Give the gift of training and equipment and know that one more family will have hope for a better life.

CBA proclaiming the true heart of the Christmas story on commercial talk radio networks to an audience of more than 250,000 in NZ, most of whom won't be heading to church. Donation forms for these missions are available in the Gathering Area.

Christmas & January Rosters

Rosters for Christmas and January services still require some volunteers to fill the empty spaces please. *We still need:* Sidespeople for 7pm Christmas Eve, 6th & 13th January; Chapel for all services; chalice assistants for all Christmas & January services; AV Christmas Day.

Parish Office Closure

The Parish office will be closed from 3:30pm this Friday 21st December, reopening at 9am on Monday 14th January. During this time the church will be open on Friday mornings from 9am to 12 noon.

Advent Calendar

The Diocesan Advent Calendar, "Journey Towards Christmas", is now live at www.advent-anglican.nz Full of reflections and guides through this Advent season.

Mainly Music 2019 Roster

Morning tea makers - please phone Rosemary Atkins 5754775 if you DO NOT want to remain on the roster for next year. Thank you all.

Pastoral Care/Home Communion: *If you are unwell or know of someone who is unwell and would like a visit or Communion at home or be added to the confidential Prayer Circle, please contact the office so we can arrange for this to happen.*

For Your Diary

Sunday 30th December
8am & 9:30am communion

Summer @ St Aidan's
9am service time during January

St Aidan's Church Family Picnic
Sunday 24th February 2019

Bottle Tops

Please remember to save your screw tops from wine bottles and ring top tabs from canned food and drinks over Christmas. Help support Kidney Kids through funds raised with recycling. Please leave them with the office for collection.

Mowing Volunteers Please

Stuart Gray is pleading for people to come forward and offer to go on the lawn roster. We need more volunteers to enable us to spread the workload. If we get a few more volunteers, the duty would only come up approximately once every three months. It takes around 2 hours for a single person to mow the lawns. We have a good mower which starts easily and works well. Please contact Stuart on 529-5174 or 021 0573854 if you can help.