

St Aidan's

Anglican Church

21 February 2021

Lent 1: Desert

Today's service begins on page 404 of the red NZ Prayer Book

Readings

Deuteronomy 8: 1-5
Matthew 4: 1-11

Sentence

"Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights and afterwards he was famished." (Matthew 4:1-2)

Prayer

God of the desert
descend on us, we pray,
in this season of Lent;
strengthen us in the face of temptation
so we may proclaim the Good News
and reveal your ways.
Through Jesus Christ our Liberator.
Amen.

Lenten Prayer

God of promises and new beginnings,
We hear your call to turn away from our
yesterday and towards our tomorrow –
to let go of the things that weigh us down,
and to embrace the mercy you offer us.
**As we journey through the Season of
Lent, receive us as we are,
transform us: change us, make us new,
set a right heart within us. Amen.**

Welcome to St Aidan's!

If you are new, or would like more information, please make sure to introduce yourself and fill in a Newcomer's form which is available in the Gathering Area.

WORSHIP

CARING

MISSION

5 Ascot Avenue, Remuera, Auckland

What's on at St Aidan's

Today

8am - Communion.

9:30am - Family Communion.

Communion is only in 'one kind' during level 2.

Indaba has been cancelled today.

This Week

****Please note that work is being done on the audio visual equipment in the church this week which may affect access for cleaning, etc.*

Wednesday Communion - 11:30am each Wednesday in the Church.

Men's Breakfast - Thursday 25th February 7:30am at Brown's Café.

Prayer Meeting - 9am join the staff for prayer each Thursday in the GA or via Zoom. Enter the Zoom online meeting ID: 946 0866 8929, or join via phone: +64 9 884 6780 and enter Meeting ID 946 0866 8929 #, and Passcode 1 #.

Next Week

8am - Communion.

9:30am - Family Communion.

11am (approx.) - Parish Family Picnic in Cornwall Park.

Prayers

- Those affected by the recent alert level changes, around both health and event cancellations or postponements such as weddings
- The Lenten journey, that people would be able to engage with it in a meaningful way
- Our Parish nominators as they begin the task of discerning our next Vicar



Indaba

Due to restrictions in place during alert level 2 Indaba has been postponed until further notice. We will provide more information when a new date has been scheduled.

Coming Up

Association of Anglican Women (AAW) - Tuesday 2nd March, 1:30pm in the GA. Archbishop John Paterson will be our guest and will be leading a Lenten study.

World Day of Prayer - Friday 5th March, 10:30am at St Michael's.

Pins & Needles - Monday 8th March, 10am in the GA. New knitters and crocheters are always welcome. Speak to Marie or Gail if you would like to learn.

Children's Ministry

Applications for St Aidan's Children's Ministry Coordinator position have now been extended. This position is approx. ten hours per week, organizing and running the Wednesday Mainly Music as well as Sunday morning's Kids' Church programme. For a full position description, or to discuss the position further, please contact Louise - louise@staidans.co.nz

Parish Future Directions

At the Parish Consultation last Sunday the following people were elected as our parish nominators and will be our representatives as we look to discerning our next vicar: Celia Finn, Juli Mercer, John Priestley. Please pray for them as they begin this important work.

Easter Choir

An invitation is extended to all singers in the church to boost the choir numbers over Lent in preparation for some special Easter music. This invitation is open to singers of all ability, range and voice types. Choir practises are Saturday mornings at 10am. Speak to Antoinette if you would like to contribute.

Parish Family Picnic

Sunday 28th February at Cornwall Park after the 9:30am service (*approx. 11am*).



Bring a blanket or chair(s), hat, drinks, sunscreen, some finger food to share, and sports equipment if you're keen! Everyone welcome to come along, car pool or join the group walking there.

Easter Magazine

Contributions are invited for the Easter edition of 'The Apostle'.

- ◇ Do you have any photos of what you did this summer?
- ◇ What does Easter mean to you this year?
- ◇ As we begin our Lenten series, "A river through the desert," how have you seen God create 'rivers' in the 'wasteland' events of your life?

Email or drop off to the office by Monday 8th March please.

World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer service will be held on Friday 5th March, 10:30am at St Michael's Catholic Church, Beatrice Road Remuera. This year's service is written by WDOP Committee of Vanuatu.



Regular Events @ St Aidan's

Sunday Services	8:00am Holy Communion 9:30am Family Communion with Youth and Kids' Church 5:00pm Evening Service worship with a shared meal on the fourth Sunday of each month
Wednesday Service	11:30am Holy Communion without music held each Wednesday.
Prayer	Thursday mornings at 9am in the GA, or via Zoom. <i>Contact the office for Zoom link.</i>
Youth	School aged youth (11 and over), Sun at 9:30am service and Fri at 7:00pm. Contact Conor .
Kids' Church	All children aged 3-10 during the 9:30am service. Contact the office.
Mainly Music	Wednesday at 9:30am in the Hall during school terms. Music and play for families with pre-school aged children.
Choir Practice	Practise Saturdays, 10:00am in the Bethel Room (in the upstairs offices). Contact Antoinette.
Home Groups	All welcome! Contact your home group leader about finishing and restart dates, or speak to Sheryl or Louise for information about joining a Home Group.
Association of Anglican Women	A women's fellowship group. Next meeting Tuesday 2 nd March 2021 in the GA.
WEF	A women's evening fellowship group. Meets monthly on 3 rd Tuesday at 7:30pm in the GA.
Pins & Needles	A Knitting for charity group. Meets monthly on 2 nd Monday at 10:00am in the GA. All Welcome
Men's Ministry	Meets on the last Thursday of each month for breakfast at 7:30am.
Contemplative Prayer	Meditation each Wednesday 9:45am at 276A Victoria Avenue - contact Anne 524 2452.
St Aidan's Vestry	Next formal meeting 7:30pm on Wednesday 24 th February 2021 in the Gathering Area.

Contacts @ St Aidan's

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