St Aidan's Anglican Church

5 December 2021

Advent 2 - Preparation and Peace

Today's service comes from page 404 of the New Zealand Prayer Book, and will be available online via <u>Facebook</u> or <u>YouTube</u>

<u>Readings</u>

Sentence

Malachi 3:1-4 Philippians 1:3-11 Luke 3:1-6

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low..."

Luke 3: 4-5

<u>Prayer</u>

Gracious God, John the Baptizer prepared your way: help us hear your word to us, and give us the grace to respond. For you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

We hope to be out of lockdown and back in the buildings soon. In the meantime you can connect with us by phone or email—(09) 9294760 or office@staidans.co.nz

While our regular services are unable to be held we hope you will still join us for worship online at our Facebook page or through our YouTube channel.

WORSHIP CARING MISSION 5 Ascot Avenue, Remuera, Auckland

What's on at St Aidan's

Today

9am - Kids' Church via Zoom.

9:30am - Sunday service via our <u>Facebook page(www.facebook.com/</u> <u>staidansremuera</u>) or <u>YouTube</u> <u>channel</u>.

10:15am - Catch up over a cuppa via Zoom online meeting ID: 946 0866 8929, or via phone: +64 9 884 6780 with Passcode 1 #.

This Week

Mainly Music - Wednesday 9:30am via Zoom. Contact Vicki for access.

Prayer Meeting - 9am Thursday in the Gathering Area, or continue to join via Zoom. Enter the <u>Zoom online</u> <u>meeting ID</u> as above.

Next Week

Regular services resume in the church under special conditions.

8am - Traditional service.

9:30am - Family Service. *Kids' Church - see info next column.

Our service will be shared later via our <u>Facebook page</u> and <u>YouTube</u> channel.

Prayers

- We pray for people affected by sexual abuse particularly the survivors and the enormous and far reaching impact it has on lives
- For a smooth and calm transition as we adjust to a new way of living for a time in the 'traffic light system'
- Auckland churches, and especially St Aidan's, as we ease back into worshipping in person together again. Pray for courtesy and understanding as we gather

Kids' Church

Izzi will be making contact with parents to find out what Kids' Church will look like leading up to Christmas. There are lots of options from in person to online. If you haven't heard from her please get in touch: 929 4670 ext 5 or <u>children@staidans.co.nz</u>

Office Hours & Site Access

The office will reopen usual hours from Monday, however please first consider whether you need to come in person. While we negotiate new rules the buildings will remain locked so to access St Aidan's site you will need to first check in with your "My Vaccine Pass" at the office.

Email Updates

You should have received an email update from St Aidan's on Friday about the need for a "My Vaccine Pass" to attend Sunday services.

If you did not receive this email, please check your junk mail box and contact Anne if you have never seen them so we can add you to the list as a lot of important information will continue to come through this way.

Looking Ahead

We hope to hold our popular Carolling in the Community again on 16th December (time to be confirmed). We have even had a request from a retirement village!

If you would like to join us please write your name on the sign up sheet or email Anne in the office.

Rosters for Dec/Jan

We are looking for help filling the worship rosters from 19th December. If you can help, please write your name on the sign up lists in the GA or contact Anne in the office.

Our Daily Bread

The December/January edition of Our Daily Bread is now available for collection, or download the app at <u>odb.org</u>

Jams & Preserves for sale

Anne Priestley has a range of jams and preserves available which she is selling as a fundraiser for our Garage Sale which had to be



cancelled. An <u>updated</u> list of preserve types,

sizes and prices can be found <u>HERE</u> or contact Anne directly 524 2452 / <u>anne.priestley@gmail.com</u>

Priest Associate

Applications are now open for the ministry of <u>Priest Associate for St</u> <u>Aidan's</u>, with applications closing on 10th December. Please pray for candidates considering applying for this role, that they may carefully discern God's call on their ministry.

The Nativity Project

The re-GENERATION installation is now viewable at Holy trinity Cathedral Parnell. Why not make this 'growing' scene part of your Advent journey and support <u>Trees</u> <u>That Count</u> to plant native trees in

Aotearoa New Zealand.



Regular Events @ St Aidan's			
Sunday Services	8:00am Holy Communion9:30am Family Communion with Youth and Kids' Church5:00pm 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 - Enter the <u>Zoom online meeting ID:</u> 946 0866 8929, or via phone: +64 9 884 6780 and enter Passcode 1 #.		
Youth	School aged youth (11 and over), Sun at 9:30am service and Fri at 7:00pm. Contact Nic.		
Kids' Church	All children aged 3-10 during the 9:30am service. Contact Izzi.		
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 meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 1:30pm 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. Contact Pete.		
Contemplative Prayer	Meditation each Wednesday 9:45am at 276A Victoria Avenue - contact Anne 524 2452.		
St Aidan's Vestry	Next meeting date to be confirmed.		

Contacts @ St Aidan's

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