

St Aidan's

Anglican Church

26 October 2025

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's service can be found in APBNZ on page 476

Humility Before God

Readings

Jeremiah 14:7-10,19-22
2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18
Luke 18:9-14

Sentence

Sell all that you own, and distribute the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.

Luke 18:22

Collect

Impartial God,
ever-present to us all,
touch us afresh with your mercy and grace.
Show us your way of humility,
so that we may gift our ordinary lives for your extra-ordinary use.
Stir our hearts, that we may act dependably and justly
towards our neighbours.
With Jesus we pray. Amen.

8am Hymns:

P:	WOV 129	all verses	King of Glory, King of Peace
O:	WOV 537	all verses	May the Mind of Christ My Saviour
R:	WOV 191	vs 1, 2 & 4	Christ is the World's Peace

Welcome to St Aidan's! Please join us 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 a Newcomer's form.

WORSHIP

CARING

MISSION

What's on at St Aidan's

Today

8am - Holy Communion.

9:30am - Family Service with Holy Communion. *Kids Church and Youth programmes held during this service.*

This service is livestreamed via [Facebook](#) and available later on [YouTube](#).

10:45am - Confidential prayer in the Side Chapel.

2:30pm - 'Sing Your Favourite Hymn' afternoon in the church, and followed by afternoon tea in the Gathering Area. Anita Banbury will again be leading, with Brian Miller on the organ. Everyone welcome to come along and enjoy the singing, followed by afternoon tea in the Gathering Area.



This Week

The Office will be closed Monday for the Labour Day public holiday.

Men's Breakfast - Thursday 30th October, 7:30am at Brown's Café.

ASTA - Friday 31st October, 10am in the GA. Making Christmas cards for Prisoner Correspondence Network. These cheerful cards, messages of support, care and encouragement are sent to prisoners with our greetings to them, people who are often forgotten at Christmas, and separated from their families.

Prayers



- ◆ Our Men's Ministry and ASTA group as they meet during the coming week
- ◆ Peace and unity, especially for God's peace to reign in areas of conflict around the world
- ◆ Cooperation and support within the three Tikanga of the church in Aotearoa New Zealand
- ◆ Our Vicar Sarah as she takes time out to fully recover her health, and our Clergy who will pick up the extra workload - Wesley, Christina, Anne, and the new Priest in Charge

Next Week

All Saints

8am - Holy Communion.

9:30am - Intergenerational Service with Holy Communion.

7pm - All Souls Service in the church, a service of remembrance dedicated to those who have recently died. All welcome to attend.

Coming Up

Parish AGM - Nominations close 12pm, Wednesday 12th November. AGM on Sunday 16th November immediately following the 9:30am service.

Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea - Sunday 23rd November after the 8am and 9:30am services.

Magazine Contributions

We are now preparing our Christmas edition of 'The Apostle' magazine and would love your contributions.

We would especially love to hear from some of our newcomers and first time contributors. Share your special family Christmas traditions, recipes, crafts, stories of meaningful gifts, jokes, and more. Please send to the office by 31st October.

Annual General Meeting

Our Parish AGM will be held on Sunday 16th November, approx. 10:45am immediately following the 9:30am service.

Please prayerfully consider who you may consider nominating for vestry.

Nominations forms are now available in the GA, or from the parish office, for Vestry members and People's Warden. Nominations

close 5pm on Wednesday 12th November. Place your completed nomination forms in the marked box in the GA by 5pm on 12th November. A list of nominees will then be published on the noticeboard.

Synod Representatives Nic Mercer and Emily Paul are not due for re-election until November 2027.

REMINDER: *If you have a report to submit for your group or ministry please email it to the office **by Tuesday 28th October** to ensure it is included in the Annual Reports.*

Sarah on Leave

Reverend Sarah Stevens-Cross is taking 3 months sick leave from 20th October until 20th January. You will know she has been grappling with a neurological condition over recent months, and it has become clear that she needs this time to heal, rest and recover. During this time Sarah cannot work at all. We therefore ask that you do **not** contact her during her period of sick leave. Instead please direct all your queries to Anne in the office and she will put you in touch with the appropriate person. Please continue to pray for Sarah and her family. The Bishop has appointed a Priest-in-Charge to cover this period supporting the work being very capably done by Rev'ds Wesley and Christina.

ASTA

This Friday 31st October, 10am in the GA, making Christmas cards for Prisoner Correspondence Network to distribute. Some blank cards and coloured pens/pencils will be available, or BYO if you prefer.

All Souls Service

We will commemorate All Souls on Sunday 2nd November at 7pm, with a service of remembrance dedicated to those who have recently died. Open to everyone. *More info next week.*

Appointment of The Reverend Dr Kim Benton as Priest-in-Charge

The Wardens are pleased to be able to update you with the good news that Bishop Ross has confirmed the appointment of The Reverend Dr Kim Benton as full time Priest-in-Charge (PIC) at St Aidan's for three months starting 1st November.

His first Sunday will be 2nd November when we will welcome him to St Aidan's. Rev'd Dr Kim Benton is an experienced Priest-in-Charge, having served as PIC at St Andrews after Rev'd Sarah left and other PIC appointments.

He will bring experienced oversight enabling Reverends Wesley and Christina to concentrate effectively on their areas of expertise and responsibility, and he will be working closely with Anne Godman-Funaki and other staff members.

Contacts @ St Aidan's

To contact the people below whose details are not displayed, either refer to your St Aidan's parish directory, or contact Anne in the office who will be able to assist further.

Office:	Anne Godman-Funaki Mon-Fri 9 - 3:30 office@staidans.co.nz 929 4670 ext 1	Home Groups:	Wesley 929 4670 ext 4
Vicar:	The Rev'd Sarah Stevens-Cross On leave until further notice	Children's Ministry Coordinator:	The Rev'd Christina Turner christina@staidans.co.nz
Priest in Charge:	TBA	Library:	Anne Mercer
Priest Associate:	The Rev'd Wesley Fifita M 027 269 3037 / 929 4670 ext 4 wesley@staidans.co.nz	mainly music:	Hannah Pospos mainlymusic@staidans.co.nz
Priest Assistant:	The Rev'd Christina Turner christina@staidans.co.nz	Men's Ministry:	John Priestley
Other Clergy:	The Rev'd Anne Priestley	Mission Shop:	Jenny Haggitt
Vicar's Warden:	Juli Mercer	Outreach:	Barbara Weir
People's Warden:	Lynne Trenwith	Pastoral Care:	Desré Simpson
Afternoon Fellowship (AFG):	Mary Parkinson	Pins & Needles:	Mary Parkinson
Accounts:	accounts@staidans.co.nz	Prayer Circle:	Karel Lee
ASTA:	The Rev'd Anne Priestley	Privacy Officer:	Miles Brown privacy@staidans.co.nz
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Coffee & K's:	Annette McGrevy & Ronnie Kay	Young Adults:	Nic Mercer
Evening Fellowship (EF):	Christine Roke	Youth:	Nic Mercer youth@staidans.co.nz
		Find us online:	www.staidans.co.nz @staidansremuera

Regular Events @ St Aidan's

Sunday Services	8am Holy Communion 9:30am Family service with Holy Communion, and including Youth and Kids' Church during the service
AFG	Afternoon Fellowship Group meets in the GA, first Tuesday of each month March to December, at 1:30pm.
Choir Practice	Practise on Sunday morning at 9am. Contact Antoinette.
Contemplative Prayer	Meditation (online via Zoom meeting ID: 876 7943 0576) each Wednesday at 9:30am - contact Anne P.
Kids' Church	All children aged 3-10 during the 9:30am service. Contact Christina .
mainly music	Wednesday at 9:30am in the Hall during school terms. Music and play for pre-school aged children and their families or care givers. Contact Hannah .
Men's Ministry	Meets on the last Thursday of each month, February to December, for breakfast at 7:30am. Contact John.
Mid-week Communion	Mid-week Holy Communion services, first Wednesday of the month at 11:30am.
Mission Shop	Open Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10am to 2pm. Contact Jenny.
Pins & Needles	A knitting for charity group, second Monday of each month. Contact Mary.
Prayer Meeting	Thursday mornings at 9:15am in the GA, or join from home via Zoom - Enter the Zoom online meeting ID : 959 1932 0025, or phone: +64 9 884 6780 and enter Passcode 1 #.
Small Groups	All welcome! Contact your small group (home group / house church / Bible study) leader, or speak to Wesley for information about joining a small group.
Vestry	Meet monthly 7:30pm in the GA, usually on the fourth Tuesday.
EF	Evening Fellowship meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 7:30pm in the GA.
ASTA	Advocacy at St Aidan's is community-focused writing for advocacy and justice, 10am on the last Friday of each month. Contact Anne P.
Young Adults	Meets every second Sunday at 4:30pm to 6:30pm, plus occasional social events. Contact Nic .
Youth	School aged youth (age 11+), Sunday during the 9:30am service. Contact Nic .

Bank Account for direct deposits:

Parish of St Aidan Remuera* 06-0257-0052666-13

Please use your giving number as reference. Contact the office if you are unsure what it is or would like one allocated.

*All recorded donations are eligible for a charity refund - Individuals can claim a third of the donation back as a tax rebate, up to a maximum claim equal to their annual taxable income.