

St Aidan's

Anglican Church

2 November 2025

All Saints

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For All The Saints

Readings

Daniel 7:1-3,15-18

Psalms 149

Ephesians 1:11-23

Luke 6:20-31

Sentence

Know what is the hope to which God has called you, what are the riches of the glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of God's power in us who believe.

Ephesians 1:18-19

Collect

Eternal God,

you have always taken men and women of every nation, age and colour and made them saints;

like them, transformed, like them, baptised in Jesus' name,

take us to share your glory;

where you reign one God for ever. Amen.

8am Hymns: (see insert)

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

All Saints

8am - Holy Communion.

9:30am - Intergenerational Service with Holy Communion.

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

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

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

This Week

Afternoon Fellowship Group - 1:30pm on Tuesday 4th November, in the GA. Christine K and Rosemary B will be speaking about their recent overseas trips.

Mid-week Communion Service - 11:30am on Wednesday 5th Nov, followed by a soup and rolls lunch.

PLUS REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:

mainly music - Wednesday 9:30am.

Weekly Prayer - 9:15am Thursday in the GA or [via Zoom online](#).

Mission Shop - Open 10am to 2pm Thursday, Friday & Saturday.

Next Week

8am - Holy Communion.

9:30am - Family Service with Holy Communion.

Prayers



- ◆ Our new Priest in Charge, the Rev'd Dr Kim Benton, as he comes in to strengthen and support our community
- ◆ Everyone affected by the high cost of living, especially for those who struggle to put food on the table, and for the agencies working to help
- ◆ As we commemorate All Souls this evening, we pray for all those who are grieving
- ◆ We continue to pray for peace, for God's peace to rule over our world

Coming Up

Pins & Needles - 10am on Monday 10th November, in the GA.

AGM Nominations Close - 5pm on Wednesday 12th November.

Parish AGM - Sunday 16th November, approx. 10:45am following the 9:30am service.

Evening Fellowship - Christmas Carols and desserts, Tuesday 18th November at 7:30pm.

Coffee & K's - Saturday 22nd November, 10am at the walk site.

Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea - A chance for us to say 'thank you' to every one of our wonderful volunteers, for all the work you do so willingly and cheerfully to keep St Aidan's 'running'. Sunday 23rd November after both the 8am and 9:30am services.

Lessons & Carols with Cantemus Choir - Sunday 7th December at 7pm.

Priest in Charge

We are very blessed to have the Reverend Dr Kim Benton with us from today, serving alongside our Clergy team and staff as Priest in Charge (PIC) while Sarah is on leave. A short bio of Kim's background and experience is included as an insert. Please make him welcome and remember to wear your names tags as he gets to know us all.

Annual General Meeting

Our Parish AGM will be held on Sunday 16th November, approx. 10:45am 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.

Sarah on Leave

Reverend Sarah Stevens-Cross is on sick leave for three months from 20th October until 20th January. We 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.

All Souls Service

We will commemorate All Souls today, Sunday 2nd November, at 7pm, with a service of remembrance dedicated to those who have recently died.

Open to everyone.

If you are not able to attend the service and would like to add a name to the list being read out, please add it to the sheet available in the GA this morning.

Church Storage Cleanup

A range of items have been under the church floor for some years - wooden framed windows, doors, a lead-light window, rolls of carpet, pieces of timber, wooden flooring slats, roofing tiles, barbecue, wheelbarrow, etc.

If anyone has information about these, or has an interest in a particular item, please let the parish office know as soon as possible, as the maintenance team is planning a clear out. Wherever possible, items which can be reused will go to a suitable enterprise for recycling or repurposing.

Blank Christmas Cards

The Chaplains at the Women's Prison in Wiri will again be collecting blank Christmas cards for prisoners to send to their family and friends.

If you have some spare Christmas cards at home, or could buy some packs to give to these women, **please bring them along to church by Sunday 16th November.**

Please note: NO red envelopes.

Introducing the Reverend Dr Kim Benton

I was ordained Priest in Auckland and have exercised Parish Ministry most recently as Priest-in Charge of St Mark's Remuera and prior to that St Andrew's, Epsom. I was Priest-in-Charge at Whangarei Anglican and have been an LSM Enabler in Northland and a member of Diocesan Council. I have also ministered to two parishes in the Wangaratta Diocese, Victoria, Australia.

I am also a registered psychologist with a breadth of training and experience working in a range of psychology and therapy environments especially health psychology based in Australia, and I have a PhD in Public Health from Deakin University in Melbourne, As a priest/psychologist I have worked in international development as a health educator and trainer with NGOs and faith-based organizations in the Asia-Pacific region for over 20 years.

I understand the importance of worship in sustaining communities and as a basis of engagement with the wider community. I have a passion for liturgy, music, preaching and education which forms the basis for pastoral care and Christian life. Most of all is the wonder of the Gospel is proclaimed in the community of the faithful by everyone seeking to respond to God's call to love and life in the name of Jesus Christ, to participate in the breaking in of the Kingdom of God for all and in so doing all are blessed and enriched.

I have three adult children, one in Auckland and two living and working overseas, and one grandson working in Paris. I live in West Auckland with my partner, enjoy cooking and wine, music, movies and theatre, travel and keeping fit.

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: Mon-Fri 9 - 3:30	Anne Godman-Funaki office@staidans.co.nz 929 4670 ext 1	Home Groups:	Wesley 929 4670 ext 4
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Priest in Charge:	The Rev'd Dr Kim Benton M 027 510 3714 kim@staidans.co.nz	Library:	Anne Mercer
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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
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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.
Coffee & K's	Meets for a walk and coffee on the 4 th Saturday of each month. Contact Annette McGrevy.
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 Priestley.
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

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