

St Aidan's

Anglican Church

16 November 2025

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

The Persecuted Church & the work of Barnabas Aid - Bringing Hope

Readings

Isaiah 43:1-2

2 Corinthians 4:8-12

John 15:18-21

Sentence

May the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways.

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Collect

Almighty God,

you alone can bring order to our unruly wills and affections;

give us grace to love what you command and desire what you promise,

that in all the changes and chances of this uncertain world,

our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

8am Hymns: **P:** WOV 469 vs 1, 4, &5

O: WOV 552 all verses

R: 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

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](#). Audio of the sermon is also available on our website each week.*

10:45am (approx.) - Parish Annual General Meeting immediately

This Week

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

Funeral of Wayne Barnes - Wednesday 19th November at 1pm

Remuera Christians Trust Board AGM - Wednesday 19th November, 5:45pm in the Activity Room at the rear of 55 Omaha Road, Remuera. All interested parties are invited to attend.

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

Next Week

8am & 9:30am - Holy Communion, each followed by 'Thank You' morning tea for all volunteers

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

Prayers

- ◆ We give thanks and pray for the work of Barnabas Aid providing relief for persecuted Christians internationally
- ◆ We lament the ongoing Israel-Gaza and Russo-Ukraine conflicts and pray for lasting peace
- ◆ Pray for the work of the NZ Anglican Delegation at COP30 Summit in Brazil and their advocacy on climate change with other faith organisations.
- ◆ For our Parish AGM as we review the past year giving thanks for all we have achieved, and pray guidance for all those taking up responsibilities
- ◆ Family and friends of Wayne Barnes who passed away, especially for Julie and her many friends here at St Aidan's

Coming Up

Men's Breakfast - 7:30am on Thursday 27th November, at Brown's Café.

ASTA - Friday 28th November, 10am

Lessons & Carols with Cantemus Choir - Sunday 7th December at 7pm. *More info next column.*

Carolling in the Community - Wednesday 17th December from 5pm.

Blue Christmas - Sunday 21st December at 5pm in the church.

Annual General Meeting

Our Parish AGM will be held today Sunday 16th November, approx. 10:45am immediately following the 9:30am service. We encourage all parishioners to attend if you are able. Apology sheets are available if not.

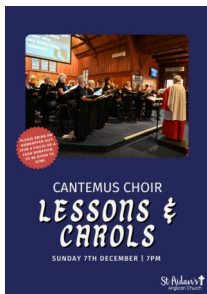
'Thank You' Morning Tea

Next Sunday, 23rd November after both the 8am and 9:30am services. This is a chance for St Aidan's 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'. We encourage everyone who has served in any way during the year to come along and enjoy some yummy food as a small thank you for your contribution.



Lessons & Carols

Cantemus Choir will join us on Sunday 7th December at 7pm for our annual Lessons and Carols service. Please bring a donation or a wrapped gift for a child to put under the Christmas tree for ATWC. The service will be followed by strawberries, chocolate, mince pies and wine.



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.

Coffee & K's

Our next walk will be on 22nd November at NZ Sculpture on the Shore at Narrow Neck in Devonport. Tickets \$30 or \$25 for seniors with Gold Card ID at the gate. Free car parking, contact Annette or Ronnie to car pool from St Aidan's.

Blue Christmas

There's nothing quite like the approach of Christmas to increase the pressure we feel, not only to have it all together, but to wrap it in lights and tinsel.

Our Blue Christmas service on the 21st December at 5pm is intended to give extra support for those who find the Christmas season challenging. Whether you are feeling lonely, at a loss, or are grieving, we'd like to offer a space for honesty, rest and healing during this difficult time.

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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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

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.