

# St Aidan's

## Anglican Church

### 8 February 2026

The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple  
Today's service can be found in APBNZ on page 456

## Light and Salt

### **Readings**

Isaiah 58:1-12  
1 Corinthians 2:1-16  
Matthew 5:13-20

### **Sentence**

Let your light shine before others,  
so that they may see your good works  
and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:1

### **Collect**

Holy Wisdom, you approach us before we think of approaching you.  
You challenge us to live honest lives of love.

Salt us with your word.

Light us with your hope.

Seed us with your wisdom and passion,

that we may courageously walk your way of love and justice.

With Jesus we pray. Amen.

### **8am Hymns**

**P:** God of freedom God of justice *see insert*  
**O:** Community of Christ *see insert*  
**R:** Guide me O Jehovah *see insert*

*Welcome to St Aidan's! Please join us for morning tea in the Gathering Area after the service. 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

### Blessing of the Backpacks & Devices -

For all students and educators in our parish. Bring an item for blessing and prayer during either of our services today.



**8am** - Holy Communion.

**9:30am** - Family Service with Holy Communion. *No Kids' Church or Youth programmes today, resume 15<sup>th</sup> February.*

**11:15am (Approx.)** - Confidential prayer in the Side Chapel.

*9:30am services are livestreamed via our [Facebook page](#) for those who are unable to attend in person, and are also available later on [YouTube](#).*

## This Week

**Pins & Needles** - 10am Monday in the Gathering Area. New knitters, crocheters, and sewers are always welcome, no matter your skill level.

**Weekly Prayer Meeting** - 9:15am each Thursday, in the GA or online [via Zoom](#) meeting ID 959 1932 0025, access code 1.

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

**Choir Practise** - 10am Saturday in the Church. New and returning singers, men and women, welcome.

## Prayers

- ✦ Give thanks for the Treaty of Waitangi (Te Tiriti o Waitangi) as the nation seeks to bring to fruition the covenant of justice, reconciliation, and partnership
- ✦ Teachers and children in our schools, and lecturers and students returning to colleges and universities
- ✦ Communities impacted by the devastation of wild weather and those mourning the dead
- ✦ For our community and all in need, especially Revd. Sarah, Richard and family as they adjust to changing circumstances, may they all know God's love and our prayer
- ✦ For the Church to be the light of the world and salt of the earth, sharing God's love with those in darkness and bringing goodness and hope to the world

## Next Sunday

**8am** - Holy Communion.

**9:30am** - Family Service with Holy Communion.

## 'The Apostle' Magazine

Content submissions for the Easter edition of 'The Apostle' magazine are now being collated. If you have an article or idea please email it through or speak to Anne in the office.

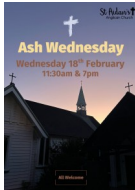
## Coming Up

**Shrove Tuesday Pancakes** - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 5:30-7pm.  
Fresh pancakes and lots of yummy toppings, in the GA from 5:30pm to 7pm. Invite your friends, all welcome. Koha for ACM.



**Evening Fellowship** - For the first Evening Fellowship of the year, we have Judith Lessing speaking on *Notes from a Tennis Umpire's Life*. I am sure we will enjoy hearing about her international involvement in tennis and journalism so do come to the GA by 7:30pm on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February. It's Shrove Tuesday so you may want to come earlier for pancakes.

**Ash Wednesday** - Services for the Imposition of Ashes will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 11:30am and 7pm. All parishioners and friends of St Aidan's are invited to attend either of these services.



## Choir

Do you enjoy singing? Have you ever thought about joining our choir on Sunday but don't know how? Antoinette would love to welcome some new singers to boost the numbers of our current wonderful choir. Come along this Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February, 10am in the church. You don't need to be able to read music to join the team. Everyone welcome!

## Vicar's Resignation

As announced during services last Sunday, Sarah has made the difficult decision to tender her resignation as Vicar of St Aidan's. *We pray for Sarah, Richard, Keziah and Sophia as they seek God's will for their future.*

Kim will continue as Priest in Charge during this transitional period, as we search for a new Vicar.

## Ministry Vacancies

Hannah has tendered her resignation for mainly music. *We pray Hannah and John will be blessed as they begin this new phase in their life together.*

We are also searching for a new Children's Ministry Coordinator. If you know of anyone who has gifts for children's ministry who may be interested in either, or both, of these paid part-time positions, please speak to Kim.

## Mission Shop Helpers

With Hannah leaving the Mission Shop is in great need of volunteers who can work for one Friday each month from 10am to 2pm. Men or women, Jenny or Terrie would love to hear from you.

## Contemplative Prayer

9:30-10am every Wednesday, online only by [Zoom \(ID 959 1932 0025, access code 1\)](#). 20 minutes of shared silence in a small group.

For more info, contact Anne P.

# 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.

<b>Office:</b> Mon-Fri 9 - 3:30	Anne Godman-Funaki <a href="mailto:office@staidans.co.nz">office@staidans.co.nz</a> 929 4670 ext 1	<b>Evening Fellowship (EF):</b> Christine Roke
<b>Vicar:</b>	The Rev'd Sarah Stevens-Cross <i>On leave until further notice</i>	<b>Home Groups:</b> Wesley 929 4670 ext 4
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## Regular Events @ St Aidan's

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

### 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.