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THE HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL NEWSLETTER

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT/
TE RĀTAPU TUATAHI O RĒNETI
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GREETINGS! NGĀ MIHI!

ANGLICAN MISSIONS' CYCLONE GABRIELLE APPEAL

Anglican Missions' Cyclone Gabrielle Appeal is now open. Along with receiving and distributing funds, they are coordinating offers of goods/services/practical help, particularly as needs on the ground become more obvious.

Email info@anglicanmissions.org.nz if you would like to offer goods or services, so they can make sure help is matched to where it's most needed. Please see this story on the Anglican Taonga website with more information about the response.

Follow this link to donate to the Anglican Missions' Cyclone Gabrielle Appeal: <https://anglicanmissions.org.nz/donate/gabrielle/>

All are welcome to light a candle at our votive candle stand when you visit Holy Trinity Cathedral, where you will be invited to share in the following prayer from the worldwide Anglican Communion.

HIGH TEA WITH DAME SIAN ELIAS

A reminder for those who plan to attend the High Tea at 2pm on Saturday 25

February. We are looking forward to seeing you all. Please bring a plate to share and a koha.

Along with delicious food and great company, we look forward to welcoming former Chief Justice of New Zealand, Dame Sian Elias as our guest speaker. See you on Saturday!

[View Prayer](#)

A LENTEN REFLECTION FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Seeds...

The Gospel for the first Sunday of Lent, Matthew 4:1-11, tells us that Jesus was led into the desert to be tempted. We know how Jesus endured and rejected these temptations and what they symbolized. But why the desert? What does it symbolize? The desert looks barren but there is life — seeds awaiting water to grow and blossom.

In my life there are barren places, deserts. These deserts are waiting for me to open to the waters of God's amazing love to grow and blossom. Like Jesus, I must be open to the grace of God, my creator, guide, friend.

There are seeds in me that need tending to in order to grow. There are seeds that need to be unburied or find a new direction or need to die.

—Sister Mary Virginia Herr, CSC

Many blessings,
Dean Anne

CHORAL EUCHARIST

10am Sunday 26 February

The First Sunday in Lent

Te Rātapu Tuatahi o Rēneti

All are invited to join us for this service. This week, Bishop Bruce Gilberd will give the sermon.

We will live stream the 10am Sunday service on the first Sunday of each month.

READINGS **Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**
Romans 5:12-19

Psalms 32
Matthew 4:1-11

[See All Services](#)



VISIO LECTIO - A VISUAL LECTIONARY

Gospel reading for the First Sunday in Lent

Matthew 4:1-11

Each week, we include an artwork based on our gospel reading taken from Visio Lectio, a Diocesan project by The Reverend Sarah West. Visio Lectio is based on gospel readings for each Sunday taken from Revised Common Lectionary, a three-year cycle that follows the liturgical calendar and is shared with Christians across the world. For past images, please click below.

[See More](#)

[View 2023 Lectionary](#)

BISHOP BRUCE GILBERD'S NEW BOOK

Sunday 26 February

Former Bishop of Auckland, Bruce Gilberd, has recently published a text to strengthen our practice of a daily reflection. "One Thought For Today" has a page for each day of the year that offers a theme, a reflection on the theme, a biblical quote, a prayer and a question. Bishop Bruce will be worshipping with us on Sunday 26 February at 10am, and his new book will be available to purchase over morning tea for \$25.

It will be lovely to welcome Bishop Bruce to our Cathedral again.



COLLECTION FOR CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE

in aid of Turkey and Syria

Sunday 26 February

If you are planning to attend any of our services on Sunday 26 February, please know that the money collections from those services will go directly to the Christian World Service appeal to aid the victims of the Turkey-Syria earthquake which recently caused so much devastation and claimed so many lives.

If you would like more information about the CWS appeal or would like to donate further, please click below.

[Learn More](#)

TRINITY LIFE

New edition available at Holy Trinity Cathedral and online now

The new edition of Trinity Life is viewable online via our website and hard copies may be found at the back of the Cathedral.

Remember, if you are a member of the Friends of Holy Trinity Cathedral, you will have the magazine mailed to you as part of your membership.

For more information about joining the Friends, please click below.

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[The Friends](#)



CATHEDRAL WELCOMERS

Back to business as usual!

With resumed cruise ship activity and freedom to travel the globe once more, we are welcoming visitors from all over the world to the Holy Trinity Cathedral this summer. During the month of January alone, we had 1,420 visitors come through!

This increase has highlighted the need for a few more Welcomers on our roster. If you or anyone you know might be interested in one or two Cathedral welcoming shifts, please contact Geoff Styles below.

[Contact Geoff](#)

CATHEDRAL LENTEN STUDIES SERIES 1

The Easter Stories: Celebrating, questioning and explaining

7:30pm Monday 27 February

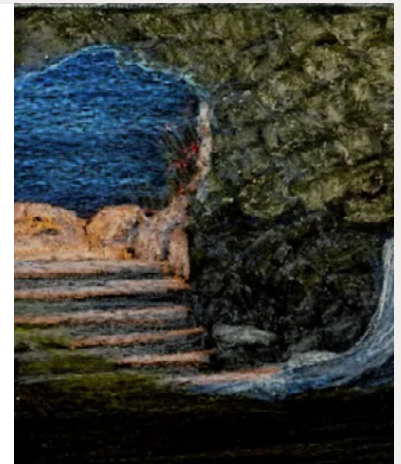
Bishop Selwyn Chapel

During Lent, we will hold our annual Studies Series, this year entitled 'The Easter Stories,' where we will explore those familiar stories together anew, using materials prepared by renowned Irish-American theologian, John Dominic Crossan.

The first session in this study will be on Monday 27 February. Please make sure you have RSVP'd to the Cathedral office to avoid missing out.

[RSVP](#)

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MOTHERS' UNION BOOK LAUNCH

2pm Tuesday 28 February

Bishop Selwyn Chapel

You are invited to the launch event of a new book entitled 'The Mothers' Union aka The God-mothers: Regeneration in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

There will be afternoon tea and bubbles in the Cathedral Visitors' Centre so please be sure to RSVP below before Friday 17 February for catering purposes.

[RSVP](#)

SHARED TABLE

6pm Monday 13 March
Holy Trinity Cathedral

Shared Table is an intercultural programme aimed at breaking down barriers, stereotypes, and prejudices. People of all cultures come together to share a meal and their stories.

We invite tertiary students to join us at Holy Trinity Cathedral for this event which will include a shared meal from 7.45pm.

[Learn More](#)

Holy Trinity Cathedral with
the Astor Foundation and
Maclaurin Chapel
present

SHARED TABLE



FLOWER GUILD HELPERS

Do you have a passion for all things floral?

Regular visitors to the Cathedral will notice the beautiful flower arrangements that regularly enhance our worship spaces.

The wonderful ladies of the Cathedral Flower Guild have retired and so we are looking for volunteers with a love of flower arranging to help with our floral offerings in the Cathedral.

If this might interest you, please contact the Cathedral office below for more information about the role.

[Contact Us](#)

MAINLY MUSIC HELPERS

We're looking for new helpers with a sense of fun, energy and creativity

If this sounds like you, please contact Ruth below.

Mainly Music provides families with preschool-aged children the opportunity to be introduced to music and creativity, and have fun together while creating new friendships.

Mainly Music meets every Monday morning during school terms at 9.30am, and sing and dance for half an hour, followed by a well-earned morning tea. We hope to welcome our families back for the first session of 2023 on Monday 13 February.

[Contact Ruth](#)



AUCKLAND CITY MISSION FLOOD RESPONSE

Support the Auckland City Mission's flood response today!

With the support of AM Show, and an anonymous donor willing to match all donations up to the value of \$150,000, Auckland City Mission -Te Tāpui Atawhai is raising much needed funds for their emergency response to Auckland's weather crisis.

The Mission team was on duty all weekend to help those needing immediate relief from the floods. Our emergency response will continue for the days and weeks to come as we support people with kai, clothing and housing.

[Learn More](#)



WEEKLY PRAYERS

A prayer for the week

God, you know better than we the temptations that will bring us down. Grant that our love for you may protect us from all foolish and corrupt desire. Praise to you our God; you answer prayer. Amen.

We pray for those who have died and those who mourn, especially for the loved ones of Deirdre Parr Carryer. We also pray for those who have lost their lives in the recent devastation caused by the flooding on across the North Island. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace and rise in glory.

CATHEDRAL PRAYER CHAIN

The Cathedral Prayer Chain is a group of parishioners committed to respond promptly to any requests for prayer. If you would like to be in contact with someone about a prayer, please contact: **Lynette Wright | 09 845 0260**
All prayers are treated as confidential.

SUBMIT A PRAYER

Join our rhythm of prayer **ONLINE**

The Cathedral clergy maintain a pattern of daily prayer for our parish, diocese, nation, and world.

If you have something particular on your heart, we invite you submit a short prayer to be included in our intercessions.

You can do this from the Spiritual Life page of the Cathedral website.

All prayers are treated as confidential.

[Submit a Prayer](#)

SUPPORT US

Regular gifting significantly supports this Cathedral's life and mission. Every donation, irrespective of size, will support the ongoing life of Holy Trinity Cathedral and will be gratefully appreciated by the many who visit and enjoy our place.

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LIVING GOD'S LOVE - **Kia noho tātou i te Atua aroha**

WELCOMING ALL - **Manaakitanga te katoa**

WORSHIPPING GOD - **Koropikōria te Atua**

NOURISHING COMMUNITY - **E whaipanga ana te iwi whānui**

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