



St Stephen's

Anglican Church, Whangaparaoa

COMMUNION WINE

At this time the wine is being served in **individual cups of wine or grape juice**. Bowls are on both sides at the front to receive used cups. **If you prefer Gluten free wafers**, please speak to the priest before the service.



TODAY'S READINGS:

[Psalm 98]

Acts 10:44-48

p 1069

1 John 5:1-6

p 1196

John 15:9-17

p 1048

(Page numbers for the pew Bibles)

Sanctuary Tea & Coffee

Join us in the hall for great conversation!

Served Every Sunday after the service.



May 7 6:30pm

Alpha begins

Sign-up sheets on the foyer table

May 8 1pm - May 10 1pm

Regen24

See inside for more info

May 18 9am-12pm

Working Bee

Sign-up sheet on foyer table

BIBLE SENTENCE FOR TODAY:

Jesus said, 'You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit.'

John 15:16

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Almighty God,

you teach us in your word that love is the fulfilling of the law:

grant that we may love you with all our heart

and our neighbor as ourselves;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

IN NEED OF PRAYER?

If you would like prayer, please come to the altar rail at the end of the 10am service and our prayer team will pray for you.



Gay Spargo

Let us share your celebrations - please tell us when it's your birthday or anniversary!

Growing in faith, love and mission



Please pray for
our church and
our parish family

*Please ring/email the office (554-0747)
to have your name included on the KIT-
sheet prayer list.*

Please pray for:

For those who are ill, lonely or in need
of healing and loving care, especially
Emma Gudsell, Joan Girven, Florence
Brown, Aline Lewis, Jean Webb and fam-
ily.

All who are struggling whether it be fi-
nancially or in their relationships.

PRAYER CHAIN



***Our Prayer Chain** people can offer fo-
cussed, confidential prayer at a dis-
tance. To be included, contact **Anne
Aspden Prayer Chain leader** (424 3693)
Pastoral Care.*

VIDEO NOTICE: The 10am service is be-
ing videoed and live-streamed. The
congregation are not seen in the video,
and serving of communion is not includ-
ed. If there are concerns about this,
please see the priest. Videos are made
available on our website & facebook
pages.

**READINGS FOR
SUNDAY 12 MAY**

THE SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

[Psalm 1]

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

1 John 5:9-13

John 17:6-19

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

**God of mission, who alone brings
growth to your Church,**

Send your Holy Spirit to give:

Vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

Joy to our worship, and

Power to our witness.

Help our church to grow:

In numbers,

In spiritual commitment to you and

In service to our local community,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



**WORKING
BEE**

Sausage sizzle to follow

As I watched Uta weeding the gardens
the day before she left on her extended
holiday, I thought what a shame it
would be if she came back to weeds
everywhere! So we plan to do a tidy up
before she gets back in early June.

Proposed date is :

Saturday 18 May 9am-12md

And if it's raining we'll postpone to

Saturday 25 May 9am-12md

Sign up sheet on the foyer table

ALPHA IS COMING!



- Starts this Tuesday 7 May
- Tuesday evenings 6:30pm
- Explore life, faith and meaning
- Revitalise your faith
- Free dinner
- Small group discussion
- Get to know people

All welcome whether first timer or if you would like a refresher.

HELPERS NEEDED!

- Meal preparation (costs reimbursed)
- Serving and clearing up of the meal

Sign up sheets on the foyer table.

PUZZLE TIME!

Do you enjoy Jigsaw puzzles? We would appreciate your help for our Op-Shop by relaxing with a jigsaw puzzle done to make sure all the pieces are there - and if there is a missing piece take a photo of the completed puzzle so shoppers know which piece is missing. We can print the photo if emailed to the office.

The puzzles are in a container by the foyer table .

KONDOA DIOCESE SUPPORT



Thank you very much for your generous support for the people of Kondoa. We have reached our target for our annual contribution to Bishop Given's stipend and the rent for 10 evangelist which is great news.

Not only have we met this commitment, but we have also been able to provide a further \$3,000 famine relief above the funds sent in December from the Disaster Relief Fund thanks to your support.



IT'S NOT TOO LATE!



Regen Gospel Vision Conference is aimed at inspiring and equipping church members and leaders with a gospel-saturated vision for leadership, mission and discipleship. It is lead by Rev Andrew Katay who is a senior leader of City to City. Go to the online version of the KITsheet and click [here](#) to register or search Regen24.

Dinner available @\$22.

REGULAR EVENTS

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday

8:00am: Holy Communion
10:00am: Family Communion

Thursday

10.00am: Holy Communion

Wednesday

11:00am **Parish Prayer Meeting**
Focused prayer for the parish and beyond.

Last Sunday of the month

4-6pm **Messy Church**—Free Dinner incl
For all age kids & their families

Tuesday

9:30-11:30am mainly music (*in school terms*)
2:30pm: Knitters, Creators & Chatters (*Term time*)
Anne Aspden 414 3693

Wednesday

9:30-11:30am mainly music (*in school term*)
7:00pm Hobbs Bay Group
Andrew Bruce-Brand 022 0257 3607
7:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous in the hall

Thursday

7:00pm: Study on Acts 2nd & 4th Thursdays
Led by the Lloyds (428 0464)
7:30pm: Orewa Group 1st & 3rd Thursdays
Gill Henderson 027 428 1248

Friday

9:30am-12noon: Selwyn Centre
Julie Taylor 021 027 8375
4pm Youth Band practice
Michael Ng 021 335 308

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Rest Home Ministries

Peninsula Club Ian Hardcastle
Northhaven Ian Hardcastle & Anne Aspden
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& Halldene 021 0244 8820

mainly music:

Tuesday: Sue Harper 027 484 8441
Wed: Gill Cranch 021 061 4648

Selwyn Centre Co-ordinator:

Julie Taylor 021 0278 3751

'SECOND CHANCE' CHURCH OP SHOP

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KITsheet Items to office by Thursday 10am

Office hours: Tues-Fri 9am-11.30am

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Payee: **StStephens ASB 12-3084-0097535-04**
Particulars | Code | Reference
Your name | Giving number | Offertory

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