



**Weekly Newsletter**  
**Sunday 14 October 2018**

**"Being the Gospel to all  
People"**

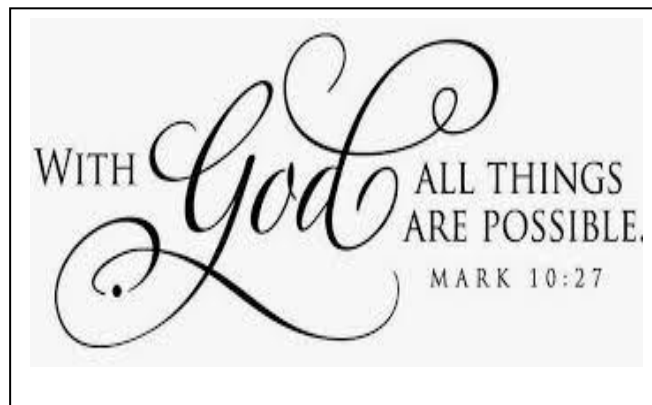
A very warm welcome is extended  
to all visitors to St Johns

Morning tea is offered after the service today, so please stay and enjoy.

**This week's theme: 'Finding Our Way'**

**Focus Scripture: Mark 10:17-31**

**Other Readings: Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22: 1-15; Hebrews 4:12-16**



<sup>23</sup> Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup> The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is<sup>[b]</sup> to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup> It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

<sup>26</sup> The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?" <sup>27</sup> Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."<sup>28</sup> Then Peter spoke up, "We have left everything to follow you!"

<sup>29</sup> "Truly I tell you," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel<sup>30</sup> will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup> But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

**Next Sunday: 21 October 2018**

**Next week's theme: 'Under new Management'**

**Focus Scripture: Isaiah 53:1-7**

**Other Readings: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

**Prayer points for:** George Morrison's family, Brenda Ryan and Mary Hall for good health. For two people, one to be our Presbyterian representative and another to be our second Anglican representative. For Charmaine and her mother, for Charmaine as she travels to England to care for her mother who needs constant care from heart problems. Charmaine hopes it will only be till December, but if her mother does not improve by then, Charmaine will move herself to the UK for as long as her mother needs her.

**Kindy – Little Cubs** has had a lot of its children turn 5 and start school, so yes exciting, but – it now has a lot of spaces and needs more enrolments. Please pray for more children.

The Leprosy  
Mission  
New Zealand



### LEPROSY MISSION BOXES

Leprosy Mission boxes are now due.  
Please hand in to Joan Jones

*Thank you*

**Opportunity to be of service.** The following **opportunity is available** to serve on our Sunday Services roster.

#### **Usher**

Could you serve as one of our Ushers on the first Sunday of the month? If you are interested please talk to Derek Speer or contact Alison at the office 534 2305

**Study Leave Report.** Copies of Lorraine's Study Leave report are on the table under the pigeonholes.

### **A report from the Finance Committee**

We rely on regular giving of \$6000 a month and rental income of \$8000 a month. Overall we are running very close –

#### **3 months to end September**

Regular giving	17063
Rental income	25114
Total income	45906
All expenses	42513
Surplus - so far	3393

**Progress report – Thanksgiving.** Giving to 2<sup>nd</sup> October \$3503. We had a target of \$7500. Past experience is that money dribbles in over several weeks. Thanksgiving envelopes are available on the foyer table. If you make your Thanksgiving offering by direct credit please reference 'Thanksgiving'.

The Leadership Team has decided that our Charity for the year will be the Christian World Service's response to the recent Indonesian earthquake. As we have done in the recent past, this will include our Thanksgiving portion and Christmas service collections.

**Real Life with John Cowan** 7.30pm Sunday nights on Newstalk ZB This Sunday 14 October John's guest is entrepreneur, Cecilia Robinson.

**Methodist Church Annual Conference:** The 2018 Conference Summary is now available on the Methodist website <http://www.methodist.org.nz/conference/2018>.

**MUSIC IN OCTOBER at Holy Trinity Cathedral – Saturday 20 October at 7.30 pm**

Voices of the Organ: A Sonic Kaleidoscope. James Tibbles is one of New Zealand's leading players of historic keyboards, with an active international performing and music career. James is Coordinator of Early Music Studies at the University of Auckland, where he teaches historic keyboards. Programme includes Widor, Alain, Brahms and more! Tickets on sale through iTicket.

**The Bishop Selwyn Chapel – Saturday 27 October at 4.30 pm**

Alison Dunlop and Janet Gibbs showcase the oboe in all its moods. Virtuoso and expressive in Handel, plangent and evocative in Schumann, edgy and modernistic in Hindemith, atmospheric and melodious in Harty. Come and hear an afternoon of gems in Auckland's newest, and perhaps most beautiful, chamber music venue: the glass-walled, copper-roofed Bishop Selwyn Chapel. Tickets: Standard \$40 Unwaged \$25 can be booked at <https://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2018/oct/springmusic-jade-string-quartet>.



**HATCHED, MATCHED AND DISPATCHED** Friday 5 October - Sunday 14 October, 10am - 4pm Selwyn Library, 8 St Stephens Avenue, Parnell. An exhibition of christening, wedding and mourning memorabilia staged by the Friends of the Cathedral.

Sunday Services: English / Mandarin & Children's Ministry 9:30a.m.  
Office Hours: 9:30am – 3:00pm, Tuesday – Friday  
Phone: 534 2305, Fax: 534 6355, Email: [office@stjohnsbb.org.nz](mailto:office@stjohnsbb.org.nz)  
PO Box 39 278, Howick Website: [www.stjohnsbb.org.nz](http://www.stjohnsbb.org.nz)  
Lorraine: [minister@stjohnsbb.org.nz](mailto:minister@stjohnsbb.org.nz) Shania: [shaniaqiu@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:shaniaqiu@yahoo.co.nz)

Minister	Rev. Lorraine Francis	534 1380
Mandarin Lay Leader	Shania Qiu	5328127
Administrator	Alison Stanton	534 2305
Session Clerk	Alan Vickers	533 3790
People's Warden	Julie Dickey	535 5814
Minister's	Felicity Vincer	535 5883
Pastoral Care	Judy McDonald	274 8534
Prayer Chain	Judy McDonald	274 8534
Justice of Peace		

### Ministry Groups:

**Bucklands Beach Rest Home:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday's of the month, 11:00am

**Children's Church (Preschool, Primary & Intermediate):** Sundays, 9:30am

**Home Groups:** No home group at this time please contact Rev Lorraine Francis

**Men's Group:** Wednesday nights 7:30pm in the Worship Room; contact Alan Vickers ph: 533 3790

**Mainly Music:** Wednesdays, 10:00am (Term Time)

**Music Ministry:** Thursdays, 7.30pm; Wednesdays 7:30pm

**Young Adults / Youth on Sundays:** Contact Joshua 021 0473565

	This Week's Helpers (14 October)	Next Week's Helpers (21 October)
Preacher	Rev Lorraine Francis	Rev Grahame Drummond
Keyboard	Rahil John	Joshua Wong
Projector	Savesh John	Alison Stanton
Sound Desk	Alan Vickers	Jamie Corbett
Reader	Loas Toung	Dick McDonald
Intercessor	Alan Vickers	Judy McDonald
HC set up	N/A	Christine Lewis
HC Serving team	N/A	Judy McDonald, Dick McDonald, Christine Lewis, Alison Stanton, Christo John
Prayer ministry	Sheila Simmons	Loas Toung
Welcome Desk	Brenda Ryan	Loas Toung
Ushers	Nick and Olga Ferreira	Dick and Judy McDonald
Counters	Nick Ferreira, Christo John	Christo John, Grace Li
Morning Tea	Betty Curd, Rita Chi	Uraiwan Jolly, Nessie Crawford
Flowers	St Johns	St Johns