

Weekly Newsletter Sunday 26 August 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: 'Love is Our Defence

Focus Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-20

Other Readings: 1 Kings 8: (1,6, 10-11), 22-30,41-43; Psalm 84; John 6:56-69



¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, $^{\mathbf{15}}$ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. 18 And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. ¹⁹ Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Next Sunday: 2 September 2018

Next week's theme: 'Accept the Word'

Focus Scripture: James 1: 17-27

Other Readings: Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Psalm 45: 1-2, 6-9; Mark 7: 1-8,14-15,21-23

Prayer points for: George Morrison, Brenda Ryan and Mary Hall for good health. The Nominating Team and process of discerning members for the Leadership Team.

Congratulations to Asa Wang for being accepted for the Graduate Secondary Teachers Training course next year.

Opportunities to be of service

The following opportunities are available to serve on our Sunday Services

Church Welcomer

We need your smile and a friendly welcome to be extended to all coming to worship on the second Sunday of each month. If you or you think someone else might help out in this ministry please talk to Lorraine – or Loas Toung or Joan Rutherford.

Morning Tea

There are spaces on the second and fourth Sunday of the month for a regular helper to be on our Morning Tea team.

Please contact Alison at the office 534 2305 if you are interested.

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

Real Life with John Cowan 7.30pm Sunday nights on Newstalk ZB John Cowan's guest this Sunday night 26 August will be former Governor of the Reserve Bank, **Don Brash**. After studying economics, history and political science at the University of Canterbury, Don completed a master's, then PhD in economics. He later secured a job as an economist at the World Bank in the United States. In 1988 Don began a 14 year tenure as Governor of the reserve Bank. In 2002 Don resigned his post to stand for parliament, placing 5th on the National Party list. After a year in parliament as National's finance spokesperson, Don Brash challenged and unseated Bill English as the leader of the party and became the Leader of the Opposition. Don resigned from parliament in 2006, and has continued to be a significant voice in the New Zealand political landscape.

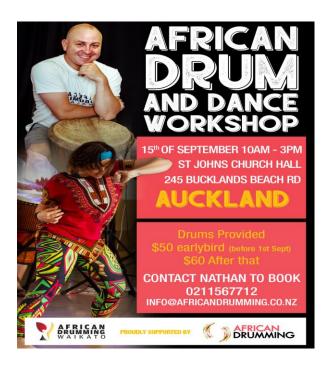
RECITAL Friday 31 August, 11.30 am at St Mary's-in-Holy Trinity

446 Parnell Road, Parnell, Auckland

You are invited to listen to some wonderful music by our organist Philip Smith. The recital will be followed by a shared lunch in the Visitors Centre.

Born in England, Philip studied organ with Michael Rhodes, and later Roger Fisher (Chester Cathedral) and Ian Tracey (Liverpool Cathedral). Was a student at the Royal Northern

College of Music, and assistant Organist of St Asaph Cathedral. From 1994-2007, He is currently Organist of Holy Trinity Cathedral and combines this position with Organist and Organ Tutor at Baradene College of the Sacred Heart and Diocesan School for Girls.



Want to try something new?

Know some-one who would like to try something different?

AFRICAN DRUM and DANCE WORKSHOP @ St Johns

15 September 2018 10 am – 3 pm

See details opposite

ALL SAINTS FOODBANK

We dedicate food offerings on the first Sunday of the month. While all donations to the Foodbank are greatly appreciated, the Coordinators shared recently that donations of tins of fish, beans and spaghetti can mean an immediate meal for a family.

Annual General Meeting

St Johns AGM Sunday 9 September following our Sunday Service



FAMILYLIFE

Marriage Getaway 2018

21-23 September 2018 Waipuna Hotel, Auckland

More info at www.familylife.org.nz

Sunday Services: English / Mandarin & Children's Ministry 9:30a.m.						
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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: 3rd 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 (26 August)	Next Week's Helpers (02 Sept)	
Preacher	Rev Lorraine Francis	Rev Lorraine Francis	
Keyboard	Joshua Wong	Joshua Wong	
Projector	Marsden Cheong	Jed Stanton	
Sound Desk	Jamie Corbett	Bob Corbett	
Reader	David Dickey Jnr	Dave Dickey Jnr	
Intercessor	Alan Vickers	Joan Rutherford	
HC set up	N/A	N/A	
HC Serving team	N/A	N/A	
Prayer ministry	Alan Vickers	Joan Rutherford	
Welcome Desk	Joan Rutherford	Betty Curd	
Ushers	Dick and Judy McDonald	Nick and Olga Ferreira	
Counters	Dick McDonald, Li Ying Zhang	Nick Ferreira, Christo John	
Morning Tea	Sue Chang plus one	Christine Lewis, Julie Dickey	
Flowers	St Johns	St Johns	