



**Weekly Newsletter**  
**Sunday 8 April 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 a Response to Grace'**

**Focus Scripture: John 20:19-31**

**Other Readings: Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1 -2:2**



### **John:19-23 John Jesus Appears to His Disciples**

<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup> Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." <sup>22</sup> And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

**Next Sunday: 15 April 2018**

**Next week's theme: 'Love means showing up'**

**Focus Scripture: John 20:19-31**

**Other Readings: Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1-2:2**

**Prayer points for:** Brenda Ryan and Mary Hall for good health; Dorothy Peiris who has fallen and hurt her back; someone to pick up the ministry of looking after our IT system; Someone to be our Financial Coordinator for our St Johns Finance Team, more students for the English Language classes held at St Johns (we need a minimum of 12 students) please.

**Leprosy Boxes are due.** Please bring your box in for Joan to collect. Thank you :) If you'd like to know more about this ministry please talk to Joan.

**GIVING RECEIPTS** Giving Receipts are expected to be processed and available next week.

**Sunday 29 April ADVANCE NOTICE for women :).** A mothers and daughters High Tea event at Waipuna. Celebrate Mother's Day together costs and timing to follow. Amie (Mandarin Congregation) is organising it.

**English Language Classes** run by English Language Partners are free for NZ citizens. Currently (Term 1) they have stopped for Term 1. They need a minimum of 12 students to get full government sponsorship. They currently only have 7, hence the prayer call for more students. The teacher is fully trained and really good. These classes are friendly, very practical and focus on helping students integrate into NZ society. We (St John's) gain a little financially as they pay a rental for the hours on site, but by far the greatest gain is to have the friendly chatter, lots of people learning to know St Johns and people coming to church.

**Gallipoli to the Somme** Holy Trinity Cathedral Saturday 14 April, 7.30pm Auckland Choral presents NZ composer Anthony Ritchie's moving work 'Gallipoli to the Somme'. Jenny Wollerman (soprano), Jarvis Dams (baritone). Pipers Sinfonia conducted by Uwe Grodd. Holy Trinity's resident organist Philip Smith will also play two solo works by Leonce de Saint-Martin and Jeanne Demessieux.

Anthony Ritchie's secular cantata Gallipoli to the Somme had a rapturous world premiere last October in Dunedin, and has so far been broadcast twice on RNZ. Against the backdrop of a horrific war, Ritchie celebrates the experiences of ordinary people from their songs, diary entries, letters, and poems, all brought into irresistible musical life. The Otago Daily Times reviewer was ecstatic. "After the final chord" she said "complete silence held the audience before prolonged applause and a standing ovation rewarded this brilliant new work". Tickets \$56, concession available | [eventfinda.co.nz](http://eventfinda.co.nz)

**Main Street Singers:** an American Chamber Choir in Concert St Mary's-in-Holy-Trinity Tuesday 17 April, 7pm **Entry free of charge.**

Under the direction of Mark Andrew Shaull, the Main Street Singers are inspired by a commitment to excellence, performing choral literature ranging from Renaissance to Contemporary in over a hundred concerts annually. Having been compared to top university level choirs, this Los Altos California (USA) high school ensemble has found success in artistic expression through their strong sense of devotion to group goals and continual search for personal and ensemble growth. Programme includes works by Philips, Weelkes, Morley, Monteverdi, Brahms, Peters, Bernstein, Walker and more.

**Cathedral Organ Recital Series:** Recital 7 - Olivier Latry Holy Trinity Cathedral Saturday 21 April, 7.30pm Do not miss this opportunity to hear a truly world-class musician. The final recital in the series, Recital 7 is an exciting performance by Olivier Latry, organist at Notre-Dame in Paris and a leading worldwide ambassador for his instrument. Olivier has performed in the world's most prestigious venues, been the guest of leading orchestras under renowned conductors, recorded for major labels, and premiered an impressive number of works.

Olivier Latry teaches at the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Paris and is a recipient of numerous international distinctions and awards.

Programme includes music by Mozart, Brahms, Franck, and Duruflé. Tickets on sale through iTICKET. General Admission \$50, Concession \$40 plus booking and transaction fees.

**Real Life with John Cowan** 7.30pm Sunday nights on Newstalk ZB John Cowan's guest this Sunday night is not available for this week.

**Because You ASKED for it'** 11am Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April BOTANY: St Columba Presbyterian Church... See foyer notice board for more details. *Daytime* Concert series.



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#### 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:** Thursday nights 7:30pm in the Chapel; 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 (8 April)	Next Week's Helpers (15 April)
Preacher	Rev Lorraine Francis	Rev Lorraine Francis
Keyboard	Rahil John	Joshua Wong
Projector	Marsden Cheong	Alison Stanton
Sound Desk	Alan Vickers	Erika Lim
Reader	John Pybus	Trevor Haigh
Intercessor	Joan Rutherford	Mavis Haigh
HC set up	N/A	Joan Jones
HC Serving team	N/A	David Hall; Joan Jones; John Copping; Christo John; John Pybus
Prayer ministry	Sheila Simmons	Loas Toung
Welcome Desk	Pheon Hung	Loas Toung
Ushers	Nick and Olga Ferreira	Trevor and Mavis Haigh
Counters	Nick Ferreira, Christo John	Trevor Haigh; Grace Li
Morning Tea	Rita Chi; Betty Curd	Uraiwan Jolly; Nessie Crawford
Flowers	St Johns	St Johns