



Weekly Newsletter
Sunday 13 August 2017

**“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: 'Jealousy'

Focus Scripture: Genesis 37:1-4,12-28

Other Readings: Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22 ,45b; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33



Joseph's Dreams

37 Jacob lived in the land where his father had stayed, the land of Canaan.

2 This is the account of Jacob's family line. Joseph, a young man of seventeen, was tending the flocks with his brothers, the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives, and he brought their father a bad report about them.

3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate robe for him.

4 When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

Next Sunday: 20 August 2017

Next week's theme: 'Reconcile'

Focus Scripture: Genesis 45:1-15

Other Readings: Psalm 133; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:10-20, 21-28

Prayer points for: Rev Grahame Drummond and family as they mourn Maureen; Rita Jackson for comfort and healing; Brenda Ryan for good health; Steve Logan for strength in his recovery; Families, Children and Leaders for Mainly Music Ministry please; Everybody with winter coughs and colds!

Nomination Team: The year has cycled around and we are into the season of the approach of our Annual General Meeting (**AGM 24 September 2017**). The first step towards it is to establish the Nominating Team who are tasked with gathering a list of people to serve on the Leadership Team. There is a detailed letter available on the foyer table with more information. Our current elected team members are: Shirley Snoad, Pheon Hung, Jessie Liu, Uraiwan Jolly and Joan Rutherford. Jessie, Uraiwan and Joan are eligible to be re-elected for a further year, but Shirley and Pheon finish their serving this year and so we need two new people to take their place. Please prayerfully consider this ministry and who can serve.

Congregational Meeting Notice: We will hold a congregational meeting immediately after worship on Sunday 20 August to elect the Nomination Team. I can now share that I have received two nominations to offer to the congregational meeting on the 20th for the Nomination Team: Christo John and Lily Han to serve on the Nomination Team.

Alpha course: If you would like to explore what this is, you can still join, please come along this Sunday, 13 August. The Alpha course is an opportunity to introduce people to the Christian Faith. The course is recommended for those questioning God, having doubts, or have a desire to get closer to God. Pray please for: The course and for God to touch the hearts of those seeking or in need of renewal. For spiritual protection for St John's and all involved during Alpha.

Scaffolding – Worship Room Roof: The Scaffolding around the worship room is for our roof maintenance project. On our behalf 'Kowhai Roofing' are coating the long-run-iron worship room roof with a sealant coat (guaranteed for 12 years) to protect and preserve it. The cost of the protecting coat is about \$7 000.00 and the scaffolding about \$7 000.00. We had this much money saved in our 'roof' fund. The scaffolding will be around for about a month.

Can you do this? We are looking for someone to be a Church welcome-er on the first 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. Thank you.

The Last Night of the Proms: 11am Tuesday 22 August at St Columba Presbyterian Church, 480 Ti Rakau Drive, Botany. Celebrate over 120 years of British musical tradition with this variety show of magnificent melodies, skits madness and mayhem as we experience a right

royal time. Book on line at www.daytimeconcerts.co.nz Call toll free on 0508266237 of bookings@operatunity.co.nz

Real Life with John Cowan 7.30pm Sunday nights on Newstalk ZB John Cowan's guest this Sunday night (13 August) will be the leader of the New Zealand Labour Party, **Jacinda Ardern**.

Jacinda grew up in Morrinsville and Murupara before attending Waikato University, where she earned a BA in Communications. She has been politically active since a young age, and at the time of being elected as a list MP, was the youngest sitting member of the NZ parliament.

Just weeks out from the 2017 general election, Jacinda has been elected leader of the New Zealand Labour Party.

Advanced Care Planning This 2½ hour seminar, will be held on Tuesday 15 August at Pakuranga Library, 7 Aylesbury St, Pakuranga from 10am -12.30pm. Morning tea included. Peoples needs change as they age and there may come a time when a person is no longer able to make decisions or advocate for themselves.

What is an Advanced Care Plan, why should we have one, what is the process to complete one? Come and find out what is involved from our guest speaker, who will bring their knowledge and expertise, to answer your questions and provide information to help you plan ahead. Plenty of time for questions and answers.

No cost but donations towards costs gratefully received. To register you place (essential for catering purposes), please contact Age Concern office on **09 279 4331 extension 800** or email reception@accm.org.nz

Selwyn Foundation Archbishop Emeritus Sir David Moxon KNZM to be keynote speaker at The Selwyn Foundation's 2017 Ageing and Spirituality conference. A study of spiritual icons, Pope Francis and the late Maori Queen Te Arikinui Te Atairangikahu, and analysis of opportunities for healthy and life-giving spirituality in the third age will be discussed by Archbishop Emeritus Sir David Moxon KNZM, who will be the keynote speaker at this year's Ageing and Spirituality conference hosted by The Selwyn Foundation's Selwyn Institute for Ageing and Spirituality on 1 September 2017.

The conference will take place in the Selwyn Village Theatre (43 Target St, Point Chevalier, Auckland) from 8:30am – 4:30pm, on 1 September 2017. Seats are limited, with an 'Early Bird' rate of \$150 available until 7 July 2017 (\$175 full price) which includes attendance at the conference, lunch, tea/coffee, conference notes and delegates' satchel.

For further information, contact The Selwyn Foundation's Selwyn Institute for Ageing and Spirituality on 09 849 9245, email amandeepk@selwyncare.org.nz or view

www.selwynfoundation.org.nz/learning/knowledge-exchange/conferences-courses/ageing-and-spirituality-conference-2017/ageing-and-spirituality-conference-2017/

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Ministry Groups:

Bucklands Beach Rest Home: 3rd Thursday's of the month, 11:00am

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

Girls' Brigade: In recess for 2017 CTC Julie 535 5814

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: at least on Youth-band Sunday after Church till 12:30 pm

	This Week's Helpers (13 August)	Next Week's Helpers (20 August)
Minister	Rev Lorraine Francis	Rev Lorraine Francis
Keyboard	Rahil John	Joshua Wong
Projector	Alison Stanton	Ian Dittmer
Sound Desk	Alan Vickers	Erika Lim
Reader	Michelle Cao	Derek Speer
Intercessor	Joan Rutherford	Liz Speer
HC set up	N/A	Joan Jones
HC Serving team	N/A	David Hall, Joan Jones, John Copping, John Pybus, Christo John
Prayer ministry	Sheila Simmons	Loas Tong
Welcome Desk	Pheon Hung	Loas Tong
Ushers	Nick and Olga Ferreira	John Pybus, Derek Speer
Counters	Nick Ferreira, Christo John	David Hall, Nancy Liang
Morning Tea	Rita Chi, Betty Curd	Uraiwan Jolly, Chris Lewis
Flowers	St Johns	St Johns