



**Weekly Newsletter**  
**Sunday 11 February 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: 'Changed'**

**Focus Scripture: Mark 9:2-9**

**Other Readings: 2 Kings 2:1-12**



### **The Transfiguration**

<sup>2</sup>After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. <sup>3</sup>His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

<sup>5</sup>Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup>(He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

<sup>7</sup>Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

<sup>8</sup>Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

<sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**Next week's theme: First Sunday in Lent – Why did Jesus die?**

**Focus Scripture: Genesis 9:8-17;**

**Other Readings: Mark 1:9-15**

**Prayer points for:** Brenda Ryan for good health; Maya Corbett for healing of her knee, Families, Children and Leaders for Mainly Music Ministry; someone to pick up the ministry of looking after our IT system please.



to Bob Corbett who has faithfully nursed, fought, fixed, devised, saved, patched, created and been on 24/7 call for our churches IT system for the past 9+ years. We could not do any of our administration work without his background work with the system. His IT knowledge and patience with 'lay-learners' is beyond description. Thank you for putting up with 'us' in the office for so long ☺, we (as in all manner of St Johns administration) would not be here if you had not been serving the Lord in this ministry so wonderfully in the background. Thank you.

### **Contribution to the Chinese Church Support Mission (CCSM)**

Thank you to all who contributed thanksgiving offerings last year and to the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day collections. We have been able to donate a total of **\$1033.50** to CCSM.

**English for Kiwi Life** – Sadly there was insufficient interest in the 'English as a Second Language' course which was due to start during the week and the organisers cancelled. The same course was run at St Johns during the second half of 2017. A group of adult students from Russia, China, Korea... who live in the local community participated, some enquiring about St Johns and its services, others interested in what other activities we hold such as Mainly Music. The course was a wonderful outreach into the community and also helped St Johns financially. Please pray for more students to come to an enrolment morning here on Tuesday 13 February 9.30 am to 10.30 am.

**Concerned about the End of Life Bill? NZ Christian Network** is advising everyone who is concerned about euthanasia being legalised in New Zealand to send a submission to the Justice Select Committee.

This matter is time sensitive: Submissions to the Justice Select Committee close on 20 February 2018. For guidelines to make submissions online, by email or post go to the New Zealand Christian Network website, click on the tab NZCN/Noticeboard and 'read more.'

## Upstairs Kitchen Upgrade

Work begins on the upgrade to the upstairs kitchen on Monday 19 February and will continue over the following three weeks into March. For health and safety reasons, please do not access the kitchen area during this period. Parents need to be responsible for ensuring their children do not enter the upstairs kitchen nor play with kitchen items stored in the hall. We apologise for any inconvenience caused during the upgrade and hope we can all work together to ensure safety and the smooth running of day-to-day activities during this period.



### MAINLY MOZART

**Friday 16 February, 7 pm**  
**St Mary's-in-Trinity, Cnr Parnell Road and St Stephens Avenue**

The Friends of Holy Trinity Cathedral together with the Auckland Opera Studio, invite you to a concert by The Shades, a quartet of beautiful Tongan and Samoan voices. Together they create a strong, well-blended sound with a feel for humour and a love of laughter.

Cost: Adult \$45 or Student \$25



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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 (11 Feb)	Next Week's Helpers (11 Feb)
Preacher	Liz Speer & Mavis Haigh	Rev Grahame Drummond
Keyboard	Rahil John	Joshua Wong
Projector	Aimie Ma	Jed Stanton
Sound Desk	Alan Vickers	Erika Lim
Reader	Erika Lim	Graham Hay
Intercessor	Julie Dickey	Mavis Haigh
HC set up	N/A	Alan Vickers
HC Serving team	N/A	David Hall; Alan Vickers; John Copping; Christo John; John Pybus
Prayer ministry	Sheila Simmons	Loas Toung
Welcome Desk	Pheon Hung	Loas Toung
Ushers	Trevor Haigh, Derek Speer	Trevor Haigh, Mavis Haigh
Counters	Christo John, Vicki Hay	Trevor Haigh, Li Ying Zhang
Morning Tea	Betty Curd, Rita Chi	Uraiwan Jolly, Nessie Crawford
Flowers	St Johns	St Johns