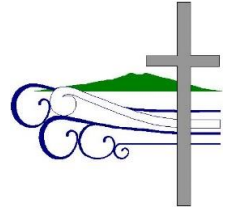


Welcome to

St John's Anglican Church



on Sunday 11 October 2020



Sentence Rejoice in the Lord always: again I will say Rejoice.
Philippians 4: 4

Collect: **Kind and generous God,**
you prepare a feast for all people.
May we prepare for your banquet by putting on
the garment of love
that springs from a pure heart, a clear conscience,
and a genuine faith.
Help us to bring the lost and lonely,
the poor and those in need
to your feast where all are fed.
This we ask through Christ our Saviour.
Amen

Readings:

Exodus 32: 1-14 While Moses is on the mountain speaking to the Lord the people make an idol in the shape of a bull and worship it. Moses then intercedes to avert the Lord's punishment.

Psalms 106: 1-6, 19-23 The psalmist calls the nation to worship the Lord for the mighty things he has done, and to ask for his forgiveness for their sin.

Philippians 4: 1-9 Paul concludes his letter by encouraging the Philippians to pray about everything. "With thankful hearts offer up your prayers and requests to God."

Matthew 22: 1-14 Jesus tells a story of a king who put on a wedding feast for his son. After the invited guests refused to come, the king sent his servants to the street corners to bring everyone they could find, good and bad, into the banquet.

We welcome Cathy Bi-Riley, the Diocesan Sustainability Worker, to speak at 9:30am this morning. Thanks to Sarah Murphy who is speaking at the 8am service.

Duty Rosters are being drawn up for November, December and January – please let Alison know if you will be unavailable during that time. admin@stjohns.net.nz If you would like to become part of a roster, do let us know.

THANK YOU to everyone who was able to come along to either the Craft Morning last Thursday or the Ukulele show last night!

Parenting lecture series - Two Expert Psychologists bring you thought provoking insights over two nights- 7:30pm in church

'Parenting Across the Generations', Dr Sarah Watson
Thursday 22 October

'Building Blocks of Positive Relationships with Children',
Lisa Sinclair on Thursday 5 November

Please always feel free to speak to Kay if you want prayer, anointing or a conversation or a home visit.

The 8am service begins on page 404 of ANZPB
The 9:30am service is on the screens

IMPORTANT Being mindful of Covid-19, please be aware not everyone will be ready to shake hands or hug as we share the peace. We will queue from the centre aisle to share the bread and wine at the eucharist – a reminder though that having only one element is sufficient. Please make sure you have scanned the QR code or signed the Contact Tracing Register in the foyer and use the supplied hand sanitiser.

Farewell Carol and Michael Versfeld - the 8am service today will be Carol and Michael's last service with us before they leave to start a new chapter in their lives in Nelson. They will be greatly missed and have contributed hugely to the life of the parish. Their skills as readers and liturgist plus their wisdom and expertise has been valued – Michael on vestry and as auditor for Women's Fellowship and Carol for her sheer joy and enthusiasm with the children.



Retro Fair Saturday morning 7 November here

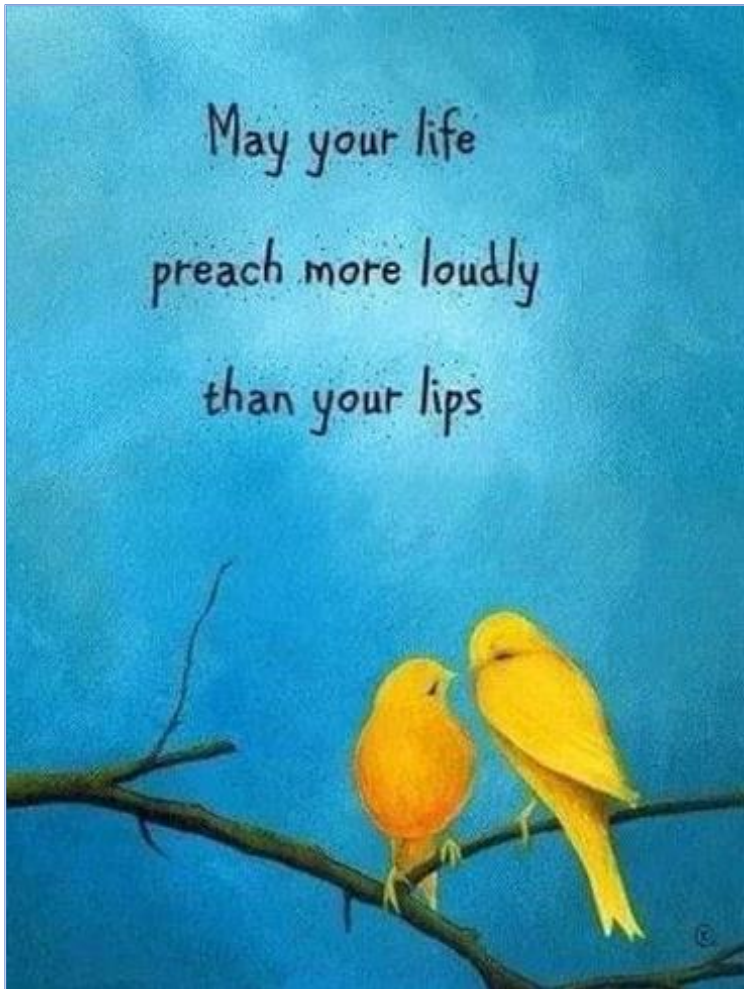
We will be holding a Retro Fair as an opportunity for people to re-engage with the Church and fundraise.

We need your help to make the day a success. We hope to have a number of activities/stalls. If you are able/willing to run a stall or activity, or you have an idea of something you would like to run that is not on the list please let Kay or Alison know.

We are also looking for helpers that don't want to run a stall but are happy to lend a hand.

THANK YOU to everyone who has indicated their willingness to help so far! Let your family, friends and neighbours know.

NB: There will not be a white elephant nor clothing stall.



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