

Waiapu Cathedral of St John the Evangelist

ORDER OF SERVICE - 07 MARCH LENT 3

Welcome to all who are worshipping here today especially those visit Napier this weekend.

We seek to be an inclusive congregation: Nau mai, haere mai tatou katoa.

Congregational responses in the service are in **bold type.**The congregation remain seated while the choir sing an Introit from the baptistery, then all stand to sing the Processional Hymn (overleaf).

PRAYERFUL SILENCE BEFORE THE SERVICE BEGINS IS A DISCIPLINE THAT ALLOWS ALL TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

8.00am Eucharist (Aotearoa Chapel) The Rev'd Erice Fairbrother

10.00am Choral Eucharist

Presider: The Very Rev'd Ian Render, Dean of Waiapu

Preacher: The Rev'd Erice Fairbrother

Liturgist: Philip Pridmore

Director of Music: Anthony Tattersall with the Waiapu Cathedral Choir

Setting: Mass of the quiet hour– Oldroyd

Introit: God be in my head-Rutter

Communion Motet: Sicut Cervus- Palestrina

Ormond Chapel

Next service is 14th March 2021

Please ensure all mobile phones are set to silent when in the Cathedral; and, if necessary, adjust hearing aids to the "Loop" system.

IMPORTANT HEALTH NOTICE: Our Diocese has directed parishes to refrain from the practice of intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine). For health reasons please co-operate with this requirement. Receiving the bread only is still regarded as a full expression of the sacrament, or you can simply hold or receive the chalice and then pass it back to the person serving. Intinction is less hygenic than the common cup.

Processional Hymn: Lift high the Cross

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his glorious name.

1: Come Christian people, sing your praises, shout! If we are silent, even stones cry out. Lift high...

2: Jesus you wept to see our human strife; teach us compassion for each human life. Lift high...

3: Peace was your plea, and peace your loving theme; let peace be our passport, peace a living dream. Lift high...

4: Great is the cost of walking on this road - to follow and suffer with the Son of God. Lift high...

5: Worlds to be born and children yet to be, come take up this song into eternity. Lift high...

Shirley Murray (after GW Kitchin), tune: WOODLANDS

WELCOME AND GATHERING

Grace and peace to you from God.

Kia tau ki a koutou, te atawhai me te rangimārie o te Atua.

God fill you with truth and joy.

Mā te Atua koe e whakaū, ki te pono me te hari.

This is the day which the Lord has made. Ko te rā tēnei i hangā e Ihowā.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Kia hari, kia koa tātou.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you and worthily praise your holy name; through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The congregation kneels (or sits)
Hear the teaching of Christ:
a new commandment I give to you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.

Spirit of God, search our hearts. E te Wairua o te Atua, whakamāramatia ō mātou ngākau.

The Kyries will be sung by the choir

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Hear God's word to all who turn to Christ:

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

Jesus said:

Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving.

In silence we call to mind our sins.

Silence

Let us confess our sins.

Merciful God,
we have sinned
in what we have thought and said,
in the wrong we have done
and in the good we have not done.
We have sinned in ignorance:
we have sinned in weakness:
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry.
We repent and turn to you.
Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake,
and renew our lives to the glory of your name.
Amen.

Through the cross of Christ,
God have mercy on you,
pardon you
and set you free.
Know that you are forgiven
and be at peace.
God strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in life eternal.
Amen.

The peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

Kia mau te rongo o te Karaiti ki ō tātou ngākau.

The word of Christ dwell in us richly.

Kia hira ake te noho o tāna kupu ki a tātou.

The Sentence of the Day:

Rend your hearts and not your garments; Turn back to the LORD your God Who is gracious and compassionate, Long-suffering and abounding in love.

Joel 2:13

Collect: Let us pray that the law of Love may be written on our hearts:

God of Moses and Elijah,
you guide us with your law
and delight in our worship on the mountain
and also in your temple.
By your Holy Spirit draw us deeper into you
that we may reflect your love and faithfulness
and serve you in holiness of life.
We make this prayer through Jesus Christ,
our Great High Priest. Amen.

The congregation sits

Reading: Exodus 20: 1–17 Pam Medcalf

Responsary Psalm 19:



The pre-cepts of the Lord gladden your heart.

1: The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,

it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord gladden your heart.

2:The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes.

The precepts of the Lord gladden your heart.

3: The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever, the decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

The precepts of the Lord gladden your heart.

4: They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold and sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb.

The precepts of the Lord gladden your heart.

Epistle reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Pam Medcalf

Gospel hymn: Here hangs a man discarded

1: Here hangs a man discarded, a scarecrow hoisted high, a nonsense pointing nowhere to all who hurry by. ...>

Can such a clown of sorrows still bring a useful word when faith and hope seem phantoms and every hope absurd? (overleaf)

2: Yet here is help and comfort for lives by comfort bound, when drums of dazzling progress give strangely hollow sound: Life, emptied of all meaning, drained out in bleak distress, can share in broken silence our deepest emptiness;

3: And love that freely entered the pit of life's despair, can name our hidden darkness and suffer with us there. Christ, in our darkness risen, help all who long for light to hold the hand of promise, till faith receives its sight.

Brian Wren, 1975/1995 Tune: PASSION CHORALE

Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. John: (2:13-22) (sung:) **Praise and glory to God.**

Gospel Reading: Philip Pridmore

This is the Gospel of Christ. (sung:) **Praise to Christ, the word.**

Sermon: The Rev'd Erice Fairbrother

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God!

The Prayers of the People The Rev'd Jenny Beale

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Greeting of Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. Kia tau tonu te rangimārie o te Ariki ki a koutou.

And also with you.

A ki a koe anō hoki.

The priest then continues

E te whānau, we are the body of Christ. By one Spirit we were baptised into one body.

Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

The people and presiding priest exchange a sign of peace according to local custom, acknowledging that we refrain from physical contact while in Level 2)

We greet the people near us, saying 'Peace be with you' or 'Kia tau te rangimarie'.

During the next hymn the bread and wine, symbols of Christ's life, are brought to the altar; donations to the Food Bank are presented, and our offerings of money to support the mission and ministry of the Cathedral are collected along with pledges made via electronic banking.

- 1: O God you spoke at Haran, and gave us your decrees at Moreh and at Bethel and Mamre's mighty trees: You are the One we worship, the living God we serve, still pouring out your blessings on those who least deserve.
- 2: From Abraham's long journey to Moses' desert road your people learned to travel obedient to your word; The covenant of mercy in every path and place makes us your own by promise, and seals us by your grace. (overleaf)

- 3: O God you sent the prophets a kingdom to proclaim and finally sent Jesus to bear your saving Name: Eternal Christ in glory, and gift to us of Love, a Man of human sorrows empowered from above.
- 4: Let Abraham's true offspring, set right by grace through faith, be steadfast in their purpose, obedient till death.
 You speak, and we will trust you; your coming we expect: you call us friends, and love us, your mercy we reflect.
- 5 To God who chose a people before they were conceived; to Christ whose cross means victory for all who have believed: all glory in the highest to God the Three-in-One! and in the Holy Spirit our path has just begun.

Christopher Idle (adapted)
Tune: THORNBURY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE INVITATION

Christians of any tradition and all seeking God are welcome at our Lord's table Please advise an usher if you need to have communion served in your seat

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Honour and worship are indeed your due, our Lord and our God, through Jesus Christ, for you created all things; by your will they were created, and for your glory they have their being.

In your loving purpose you chose us before the foundation of the world to be your people; you gave your promises to Abraham and Sarah and bestowed your favour on our sister, Mary. ... (the priest continues the Great Thanksgiving)

...Therefore with people of every nation, tribe and language, with the whole Church on earth and in heaven, joyfully we give you thanks and sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

All glory and honour to you, God of grace, for you gave your only Son Jesus Christ once for all on the cross to be the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. ...

The priest continues with the words of Institution:

...to remember me.

Therefore heavenly Father, in this sacrament of the suffering and death of your Son, we now celebrate the wonder of your grace and proclaim the mystery of our faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come in glory.

Redeemer God, rich in mercy, infinite in goodness, we were far off until you brought us near and our hands are empty until you fill them. (the priest continues...)

...how unsearchable are your judgments and untraceable your ways. From you, and through you, and for you are all things.

To you be the glory forever. Amen.

Ka inoi tatou: (Let us pray)

E to matou Matua i te rangi Kia tapu tou Ingoa. Kia tae mai tou rangatiratanga. Kia meatia tau e pai ai ki runga ki te whenua, kia rite ano ki to te rangi.

Homai ki a matou aianei
he taro ma matou mo tenei ra.
Murua o matou hara,
Me matou hoki e muru nei
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a matou.
Aua hoki matou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia matou i te kino:
Nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me to kororia,
Ake ake ake. Amine.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

Draw near and receive the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ in remembrance that he died for us. Let us feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Faithful God, in this communion you increase our faith and hope and love.

Lead us in the path of Christ who is your Word of life.

God of our pilgrimage, we have found the living water. Refresh and sustain us as we go forth on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Recessional Hymn: Christ has changed the world's direction

1: Christ has changed the world's direction!
Christ can change the human heart:
agents of the new creation
mend the people torn apart;
so are we
charged to be
go-betweens for unity.

2: Peace will be our way of thinking:
common wealth and common state.
Gone the wounds, the words and weapons
that conspire to hurt and hate,
and no power shall devour
earth or air where peace might flower.

3: Debts and doubts will be forgiven, cancelled in the name of God, olive trees again be planted there where soldiers' boots have trod, hunger fed, terror fled, justice shining in its stead.

4: What have we as commendation, sent to speak, as speak we must?
Love will be our global language, hands an enemy can trust,
faith to faith, race with race, all shall find a meeting place.

5: Envoys of a High Commission, gifts of hope we find to share, Christ the Spirit reconciling, Christ who teaches us to care.

Though we stall, fail or fall, shall we now refuse God's call?

The Commissioning of the Community

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace. Haere i runga i te rangimārie i runga i te aroha me te ngākau hihiko ki te mahi ki te Ariki.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ. Āmine. Ka haere mātou i runga i te ingoa o te Karaiti.

You are invited to join us for tea and coffee served at the back of the Cathedral following the 10.00am service.

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Deadline for notices to be included in this bulletin: Wednesdays, noon.

Services next Sunday 14 March 2021 4th Sunday of Lent

> Numb 21: 4-9 Ps 107: 1-3, 17-22 Eph 2: 1-10 John 3: 14-21

... at the Cathedral ...

8.00am Eucharist 10.00 am - Choral Eucharist

... at Ormond Chapel ...

11.00am Eucharist

Notices & News

- Guides We need volunteers to be tour guides for the Anne frank exhibition at St Pauls parish. The Cathedrals rostered shifts are each Friday 10am-12pm from the 12th March to 11th June (with the exception of Good Friday). If you are interested in helping, please contact Amy in the office asap. There will be a training day on Friday March 19th (after the exhibition has started but the first opportunity for this) which we encourage all hosts to attend if they're able, however it's not compulsory. Attendance will likely increase confidence to provide some information about the exhibition but is not essential to the hosting role.
- ♣ AGM- AAW will meet this Monday 7.30pm at Dunstall's Our Speaker is the Rev. Alan Burnett, from All Saint's Taradale, who will take our Service and also speak to us on his life and becoming a Priest. If there is any change due to Covid, we will let you know.
- Signing in— As a requirement of the Diocese, a sign in/out form is located on the table in the fountain entrance.

 For health and safety, all people in the building (including key holders) outside of service times are required to please sign in and out. Even if you have signed in using the QR code, please sign in on the Cathedral form. If you are entering the building during office hours, please check in at the office on arrival.

♦ NEED AN IDEA TO HELP MARK SUNDAY SERVICES IN LENT?

At Sunday services you are invited to add to the basket of groceries for the NAPIER Community Food Bank. As you know these items are brought to the altar and then donated to the Foodbank as part of the Parish's outreach. Currently the Foodbank is in particular need of extra provisions to assist an ever growing number of local families. Any non perishable food items received then during this time would be gratefully received.

- Missing Pew- We seem to be missing a pew from Ormond Chapel. Cushions have been left behind, but the pew is nowhere to be seen. If you know anything about this could you please let Amy or Ian know asap.
- ₱ Bookings Any use of the building must be booked in at the office prior.

 There are also no meetings to be held in the Parish office.
- It is NZ Children's Day on Sunday, 7th of March, so a great time to take the opportunity to watch this video if you have ever considered fostering a child.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=491LWcyTndc&feature=youtu.be

Waiapu Cathedral upcoming services

9.00am Tuesday-Friday Morning prayer in the Resurrection Chapel
10.30am Thursday- Mid week Eucharist in the Resurrection Chapel
8.00am- Wednesday Short reflective Eucharist (Every Wednesday in Lent)
12.00pm - Midday prayer- Every Wednesday, followed by Te Puna a te rangimarie-Pool of peace (A time of meditation in the Anglican tradition)
5.15pm- Friday- Stations of the Cross

Upcoming Cathedral events

The Cathedral Choir meets every Thursday for rehearsals.
 Children at 6.00 − 6:30pm and the adults 7:00 − 9:00pm. If you are interested in joining, please contact Anthony.

⊕ Sunday March 14, 2:30 pm

The Linden Singers and the Cathedral Choir combine to present a concert to celebrate more than 50 years of involvement in music by local identity Basil Brooker. Pay at the door, eftpos or cash — adults \$20, students \$10. There will be no Evensong this month.

Keeping Lent real
Consider walking the Stations of the cross.



A COVID-19 UPDATE:

The abrupt cancellation of the Art Deco festival has been a big shock to Napier and also a focus for growing COVID fatigue in the wider community. The wardens and I would like to take the opportunity to draw together the threads of the current situation and to encourage us all not to lose heart in our resolution to do all that is required of us to provide as safe as possible an environment for our parishioners, noting that many have an enhanced degree of vulnerability.

It is somewhat disturbing to recall that a year ago this month we were plunged into a Level 4 lockdown and all that it meant at the time. A year later it is clear that patience is frayed and stretched for many, especially those in Auckland's changing environment and people with business interests.

You have probably noted that we have continued with worship while at Level 2 when we and the other NICC churches did not do so last time. Our rationale for the change is that it is reasonable to assume that the Level 3 lockdown in Auckland offers an appropriate degree of protection for our region, and the encouraging news of very few new cases being discovered. It may be that by this Sunday we may return to Level 1 (which still requires a discipline from

us all).

The bigger picture

We have been in touch with the other NICC churches to find out how each has been managing level 2 requirements. The Roman Catholic parish has been instructed to cancel Mass while Level 2 continues. The Presbyterian parish has responded in a similar manner to the Cathedral, except that they are not singing (humming permitted). Trinity Methodist decided to wear masks so that people could sing enthusiastically! All the parishes decided that Morning Tea was too risky at Level 2.

Covid Fatigue

It seems to have become commonplace for complaceny to have set in among the wider Napier community. This can be observed in cafes and at large gatherings where refreshments are served. Waiapu Diocese has very stringent rules for the serving of food at Level 2 (which is why we and others are not sharing food in our buildings). It was disturbing to enquire of an outside caterer as to their Level 2 protocols only to be told that "We're not doing anything differently than usual". Post event serving of food was from circulating trays (and no gloves used). Obviously once social interactions are happening Social Distancing is

entirely, and disturbingly, abandoned and this was occurring in the Cathedral setting. So if Level 2 continues, we won't be hosting post-event catering because of the potential risks.

Previous remarks on this subject seem to have been misconstrued by some due to the use of the word "Community". We were not referring to the "faith community" when referring to an attitude of complacency, but to the wider Napier community. Our experience is that Cathedral parishioners have borne the restrictions and stringencies with remarkable good grace given how much we would prefer to return to normal.

If (as most of us will hope) we return to Level 1 this weekend we can enjoy Morning Tea and communion in both kinds, as long as we remember that Level 1 is not Level 0, and social distancing still applies.

Our Choir

We wished our choir bon voyage for their trip to celebrate Matt West's marriage blessing not expecting a sudden lockdown to occur. Unfortunately with the AGM Sunday turnout a number of people might not have been aware of the reason for their absence. We believe we have an obligation to allow parishioners to decide for themselves when and whether to attend worship under the various COVID circumstances. Bishop

Andrew has indicated that he does not believe people should be put off attending worship since the Choir was not anywhere near the COVID cluster (Papatoetoe and environs). We were thoughfully supplied with the following information which should reassure worshippers:

When your home is outside of an Alert Level 3 area

"If you visited an Alert Level 3 area and have returned home, you should follow all of the relevant Alert Level requirements in your area. You only need to isolate if you have been to a location of interest. In this way it would be clear that all travelling was done in compliance with the Government requirements, even if leaving Auckland after the lockdown time of o600 on Sunday morning and that adopting L2 precautions of your home region is appropriate unless showing symptoms."

As we have noted elsewhere we were very pleased to learn that the Choir was able to leave Auckland promptly and avoid hours of traffic delays, and we are glad they can sing again this Sunday.

Dean lan, with the support of the parish Wardens.

All this we do so that the Cathedral meets its commitments to the Diocese and does all it can to keep others safe.