



Richmond Parish News

Sunday 21 July 2019



Theme: Keeping focused: God gives us so much but how do we best “spend “it?”
Priest in Charge: Revd. Ian Smith
Preacher: Karl Summerfield
Readings: Colossians 1:15-28, Luke 10:38-42

Sentence:

Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.

- Luke 10:42

Collect:

God our home, in Christ you are always with us; in all our daily activities help us not to be so worried and distracted by many things that we forget the one thing we need, and lose the better part,

which will be ours forever; kept in Jesus, the Christ who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Following Jesus, Building Community

Reflections...



From the Priest in Charge:

A very warm welcome to our services at Holy Trinity this morning! Great to have Karl Summerfield, my warden, speaking at both our services today.

Just a reminder that vestry meets this week and if there are issues of governance in our parish you wish to have raised, then see one of our members or myself and we will make it happen.

Your response to our new hall's delayed opening and the associated budget shortfall have been amazing. Thank you all so much for your patience and your generosity!

The following was received by me this week from Annie, the diocesan secretary:

1. This memo provides information on the number of seats available per parish for parishioners to attend the ordination and installation service for Revd. Steve Maina, to be held at Christ Church Cathedral, Nelson on Saturday, 31 August 2019 at 9.30am (seated 9.00am)
2. Unfortunately, because of the limited capacity of the Cathedral, the number of seats available for parishioners is limited and has been

assessed according to numbers in the parish. For Richmond parish, 10 seats are available for parishioners to attend. (In addition, some parishioners may already have been invited because of their membership on diocesan committees.)

3. We are leaving it up to the Vicar/Priest in Charge of the parish to decide how these seats are allocated. You may wish to give priority to your wardens and/or Synod representatives, or you may simply wish to hold a ballot for those interested in attending. Steve Maina is keen to have young people present, so you may like to include them with this allocation.
4. Unfortunately venue capacity is also limited at the Trafalgar Centre for the light lunch following the service. This means we are restricted to inviting only two of your 10 parishioners to the lunch at the Trafalgar Centre. We are sorry we have to place this limit, but trust that those who come to the service only, will enjoy their day together nevertheless.

Let me know by email if you are one that wants to be considered.

Every blessing,

Ian

Carpark - While the carpark construction continues there is restricted access into the church grounds from Dorset St. The Trinity Lane entrance is open for limited parking spaces on the south side of the church. Access to the church and office is either through the church via the Vestry, which has a lockbox or through the Vicarage gate with access behind the church. This access is not recommended for those with mobility problems as there are steps and an unpaved path. Please be patient with us while this final stage is in progress.

Christmas Box Appeal



What a privilege it is for our Church family to demonstrate God's love together in a tangible way to needy children around the world and in particular to us in the Pacific Area. This is our AAW yearly outreach project and groups all over New Zealand and the world put in a big effort, volunteering their time, and expertise to serve our Lord in this mission ministry through filling the children's Christmas Boxes with beautiful gifts, prayers and letters. The 96 boxes sent in 2018 were greatly appreciated. Our box order for this year should be here soon from Auckland. Jonathon Wallis (Field Operation Support for New Zealand) will be in Richmond soon. He has to find a storage place for boxes filled in the Nelson region until October. Our boxes last year went to the Philippines. The total from Australia and New Zealand was 293,582 boxes, and went to the Philippines, Fiji, Cambodia, and Papua New Guinea. Any enquiries please phone Dawn Martin 021 177 3312.



WARNING Burn Hazard

Under seat heaters are on during services. Please do not touch - *they are hot!*

Prayers for the Week

The World - We continue to pray for political stability, peace, real freedom and justice in Venezuela, Sudan, Yemen, Libya and Syria and also in the Persian Gulf region where armed conflict is never far away. Raise up leaders we pray who are wise, and seek the welfare of not only all their peoples but the world at large, especially in the nation of Iran.

We pray for the Indian subcontinent where heavy rain has caused flooding and landslides in a number of areas, including the camps housing the Rohingya refugees from Myanmar. Help the aid agencies to provide shelter and the means to alleviate the flooding. Grant we pray a long term solution for this large number of refugees, especially the many orphans.

We pray for the UK as it seeks to clarify its position on Brexit and as the Conservative Party elects a new leader who will become the new Prime Minister. We pray that you will overrule in these affairs of state and that the UK may get strong, godly and wise leadership.

Missions - We pray for the Féy Cotter and the work of ECM International within Europe. We thank you for the excellent presentation by Chris Wigram on Thursday night and pray that you will raise up someone equally gifted and envisioned to take his place when he retires shortly. Bless Féy in all her contacts with missionaries spread throughout Europe and help her to be a source of encouragement, guidance and insight.

Diocese - We pray for the ministry of the Wakefield Parish and thank you for the ministry of their priest-in-charge Dean Charles. Help the parish to draw up a parish profile in preparation for advertising the vacant position. Encourage the church to continue its ministry, not only at Wakefield but also at Tapawera and Murchison.

Local Churches - We thank you for the Waimea Ministers Association and all the churches in this area they represent. Foster a spirit of love and mutual respect between the churches and prevent any tendency to jealousy or competition. May the unity between our churches be more widely known and visible to the community where we live.

Parish - We thank you for all the Staff Team and pray that you will continue to equip them for their service, and encourage unity and fruitful interaction among them. Help them to see where your Spirit is working within and outside the church walls and to see how we can, as a church, join in your mission.

Raise up we pray, someone with a God inspired passion for working with children and families that we might see growth in this area.

We thank you for the recent progress on the new building and the car park, but we are frustrated by the recent setbacks. Guide the Vestry as it considers on Tuesday how to grapple with the budget shortfall but keep them looking to your provision. Lord this is your project and we pray that you will supply our needs so that this facility can be used to foster community both within this church and in the town at large.

Those in need - For those we know who are suffering at this time, may they know your peace, comfort and healing. We pray especially for those who have recently lost loved ones and for those recovering from falls, sickness or operations. All these prayers we ask in the name of Jesus, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

This Week...

Monday 22 July

9.00am Church open for prayer
9.30am Friends 'n Fun

Tuesday 23 July

10.00am Fortnightly Women's Group (B Page)
10.00am Fortnightly Bible Study Group (E Erskine)
7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S Fregley)

Wednesday 24 July

10.00am Holy Communion
12.00pm 2nd & 4th Wednesday Group (J South)
12.00pm Seniors Fashion Show @ St Johns

Thursday 25 July

9.30am Friends 'n Fun
10.30am Café Connection (Wooden Spoon Café)
12.00pm Weekly Study group (W Wilkinson, J Lines)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (J Palmer)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (N Pritchard)

Sunday 28 July

9.00am Morning Worship
10.30am Holy Communion

Coming up...

Tuesday 6 August

11.30am Lunch on the Hill (Salvation Army Hall)

*For more information about services or groups
contact the office Ph. 544 8844.*

St Albans' Appleby Services

10.30am Sunday 28 July

Morning worship

Leader - Revd. Matthew Beech

10.30am Sunday 11 August

Holy Communion

Leader - Revd. Peter Bean

If you wish to give financial support to Holy Trinity Church, our bank account number is -
03 0751 0146369 001 Westpac Richmond

Roster for 28 July *Thank you for serving us all!*

Leader:	9.00am	Jean Palmer	10.30am	I Smith
Reader:	9.00am	B Lash, S Entwistle	10.30am	L Milligan, T Summerfield
Sidesperson:	9.00am	J Lines	10.30am	M Ross
Welcomer:	9.00am	S Entwistle	10.30am	S Milligan
Chalice:	9.00am	N/A	10.30am	J Green, M Ross, E/D Stanger
Tea:		M Mercer, S Paine		
Flowers:		R Armstrong	Creche:	G Thomson

Theme for Next Sunday: Lord, Teach us to Pray!!!

Readings for Next Sunday: Colossians 2:6-19, Luke 11:1-13

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