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Vicar's Corner

You are welcome. Come as you are. A Massey ISSP Survey, carried out 1991 and 1998, indicates a slight increase in religious believing. Certain belief in God was indicated by 31% up from 29% in 1991.

Belief in life after death was up from 57% to 60%. 30% of people indicated they prayed several times a week, up from 22%. All these figures say that spirituality is alive and well in NZ. More than ½ of us

believe that there is something greater than us contributing to the life of the universe. In the Church we name that 'something' God!

In our parish we have 211 families on our roll, equating to around 600 people. Our average weekly attendance is about 150, around 25% of our church members. There are many regular fortnightly, monthly, Easter and Christmas attendees, and the rest of you simply want to 'belong'.

So what does it mean to belong? To be the property of; to be a member of a group; to have a place. For me it is all of those things, defined by the words of the Blessing at the end of all the services we attend.

May the blessing of God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit
(Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life)
Be with you now and forever.

And we all say *Amen*.

I don't belong to a Church building. I belong to God who created me, walks with me in my joy and pain, and inspires me in all my decision making. I also belong to a Church community who knows and cares for me, offering me insight into what it means to be loved by God.



Knowing that I belong to God gives me a greater awareness of the many ways God's generosity is present in creation. I am able to cope with the difficult times in life, knowing that God walks with, and sometimes carries me.

Last year our parish celebrated 8 marriages, 6 baptisms and 25 funerals. There are always large attendances at these services held at significant stages in people's lives. All of these lives were placed in the hands of God in our prayer.

Married couples *vowed before God* revealed in Jesus Christ. Others were *commended to God* revealed in Jesus Christ. The Baptised were *declared a child of God* and welcomed into our Christian family.

And each time, all the people gathered said *Amen* - I agree.

You belong to God. Come and join with us to celebrate that reality, and to be fed with the bread of life given by God to sustain you on your journey of faith. Belonging to God makes a difference in our lives!

Val Wright, a parishioner who has come back to church in the past year, says: "Having nursed a husband with Alzheimer's 24/7 for 3 years, I learned very quickly that God's hand was constantly on my shoulder. When John died, I joined St Mary's community and immediately felt that I had 'come home'. That feeling never leaves me."

At Mt Maunganui Anglican Parish we are:

- a people of faith who enjoy belonging to this faith community
- people who love the environment of the Mount
- people who value & encourage the contribution of children and young people
- people who believe that we are called to serve each other & our community

Our parish is a place

- where new people are welcomed
- where people can explore and develop their faith
- open to gifts & experiences people bring to our common life

Marie

Back to Church Sunday
September 13th



8am at St Peters – 11 Victoria Rd
followed by breakfast in St Peter's Hall

10am at St Marys – 1 Marlin St. Bayfair
followed by morning tea in St Mary's Hall

On September 13th 2009 you are all invited to *Back to Church Sunday*, to rekindle your relationship with God and our faith community.

Come and try church again. Come celebrate and share with us the old, old story that has sustained many of your family members, past and present, in good times and bad.

Come as you are

Music Makes the World Go Round

It's a long way from Blackpool to Bayswater but when two professional musicians get together the world becomes a very small place. Coreen Gray moved to the Mount with her husband when they both retired from



teaching at Kings College in Auckland. She now lives at Bayswater and plays the organ regularly at St Peter's. At 85 Coreen notes that her voice has got a bit wobbly but her fingers have no sign of arthritis and she can still manage any piano challenge that comes her way.

Chalium Poppy (28) moved to the Mount in June this year and was delighted to make Coreen's acquaintance recently. Chalium is a professional church musician who trained in Vienna and has most recently been working in the Cathedral in Victoria, Canada and also performing as a bass baritone in opera and oratorio all over the province of British Columbia, including Vancouver and as far east as Calgary in the Province of Alberta. He has been delighting our congregations with his organ playing and beautiful singing - when he gets to a hymn that he knows!

The Blackpool connection cropped up in conversation. Coreen grew up there and did her early musical training with private tutors from that city. Chalium spent many holidays at Blackpool with his best friend while at boarding school in West Sussex. This was not the only connection the two shared as the conversation ranged over conductors, works of music, tutors and organists that they both know. Chalium was born in Wales but grew up in Oxford where his father was a teacher. One of Coreen's greatest memories of Oxford was being asked to play the organ one day for a service at Christ Church, where Chalium grew up as a junior chorister. She recalls being extremely nervous but pleased with the way it went.

Chalium and Coreen, as well as being consummate keyboard players and singers, are also both initiators and love sharing their skills in a way that others can learn and make great music. Coreen started the Oriana

Singers here at the Mount and was their musical director for 9 years. Chalium was the driving force behind the establishment of the Nanaimo Chamber Orchestra and also founded a new opera group in the city of Nanaimo, north of Victoria. He hopes to be able to make a similar kind of contribution to the music scene in Tauranga.

Both Coreen and Chalium love baroque music. In the words of baroque composer and theorist Johann Joseph Fux: "A baroque composition meets the demands of good taste if it is well constructed, avoids trivialities as well as wilful eccentricities, aims at the sublime, but moves in a natural ordered way, combining brilliant ideas with perfect workmanship." Fux (1660-1741) was once the choirmaster and organist at St Stephens Cathedral in Vienna where Chalium worked as a church musician while he was studying and working in Vienna. The works of Handel and Bach are in the baroque category. Music from this era is popular with choirs all around the world and Chalium and Coreen have sung solos with choral groups in many places.

Coreen now focuses on being an accompanist and is regularly working with John Murray and Anna Corrs, Mount residents who perform professionally in this city and beyond.



Coreen has agreed to accompany Chalium in a recital some time in the near future so that he can get his name known in the area. Chalium has made contact with the Tauranga Civic Choir and is assisting with some accompanying work for them as well as working with the Oriana Singers on preparations for their Christmas programme.

Always eager to improve her skills Coreen is pressing Chalium for some lessons on the St Peter's organ, but it will have to wait until she returns from her next globetrotting adventure. Her latest trip has been slightly delayed by an operation to remove her appendix but there isn't much else that slows down this wonderful octogenarian. Chalium can only hope that in another 60 years he will be as energetic, as focussed on faith and have fingers as nimble as young Coreen Gray.

Youthtober

Our Diocese is committing the month of October to young people. It's a month to pray for our youth, to ask God for inspiration and vision to reach out to young people, to support existing youth ministries and plan special youth events in each and every Parish.

The young people in our parish will be preparing and leading service and are working on plans to invite some of the older generations to a meal they will prepare.

One of the major Youthtober events is *The Amazing Pilgrimage* 9-11 October. This is going to be a fantastic weekend where young people aged 14+ from all three Tikanga – Maori, Pacific and Pakeha - meet in Rotorua and embark on a journey together. Bishop David and Bishop Ngarahu will be part of the event.

The Pilgrimage cost is \$50 per person including meals and accommodation, but you will have to pay for any additional activities you may want to do during the free time. For more information contact jocelyn.dymf@xtra.co.nz



Picasso *The Dance of Youth*

Top Parish Fundraising Vouchers will also be on sale across the Diocese during Youthtober.

People can buy a voucher for \$5, \$10 or \$20 to help support the 2010 Top Parish event in Rotorua.

Watch out for the vouchers in a church near you.

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Psalm 23 from Different Perspectives

The great Father above me is the Shepherd Chief and with Him I want not. He throws me a rope and the name of the rope is Love. He draws me to where the grass is green and the water is not dangerous and I eat and I lie down satisfied.

Sometimes my heart is very weak and falls down but he lifts me up and draws me into a good road, His name is wonderful.

Sometime, it may be very soon, it may be longer, it may be a long long time, He will draw me into a place between the mountains.

It is dark there – but I will not draw back, I will not be afraid, for it is there between these mountains that the Shepherd will meet me and the hunger I have felt in my heart all through this life will be satisfied.

Sometimes he makes His love-rope into a whip but afterwards he gives a staff that I may lean on. He puts his hand on my head and all tiredness is gone! My cup he fills till it runs over.

What I tell you is true, I lie not. These roads that are away ahead will stay with me and afterward I will go to live in the big Tepee and sit down with the Shepherd Chief for ever. Forever.

Native American Hopi Bible

The Lord is my pace-setter;
I shall not rush, he makes
me stop and rest for quiet
intervals. He provides me

with images of stillness which restore my serenity. He leads me in ways of efficiency through calmness of mind, and His guidance is peace. Even though I have a great many things to accomplish each day I will not fret, for his presence is here; His timelessness, His all-importance will keep me in balance.

He prepares refreshment and renewal in the midst of my activity by anointing my head with oils of tranquillity.

My cup of joyous energy overflows. Surely harmony and effectiveness shall be the fruits of my hours, for I shall walk in the pace of my Lord and dwell in His house for ever. *Toki Miyashiro*



Happy Birthday to You

Moa Park Kids Club celebrated 1 year of activity on the 25th August with a birthday party. Everyone who has attended over the past year was invited.



Our special guest at the birthday party was Chaliun Poppy who took on a first-ever challenge of singing an unaccompanied aria to small children. The kids thought it was very cool and a bit loud!

Kids Club was set up to reach out to children in the community who wouldn't otherwise come near church. It was also designed to retain the connection with children that have moved on from our pre-schools.

Each Tuesday we share a Bible story with the children. This term we have been looking at the *I Am* statements of Jesus and have also explored the Lord's Prayer. Apart from the children who have been through St Mary's Pre-school most of others have no idea who Jesus is. It's quite a challenge explaining our faith stories to children with no background of faith at all and just this short contact once a week.



Lucilla eyeing up the cake

At the birthday party our 'story' for the day was a Psalm. We had a selection of instruments and played and shouted loudly and joyfully following the instructions in Psalm 150.

We love to play outside on Moa Park and have a good supply of balls, bats, kites and imagination for use in the outdoors.

"Yum", says Antonia



Attempting to pin the tail on the donkey

Moa Park Kids Club meets on Tuesday from 3.30 to 5pm at the Scout Hall on Valley Rd. It is for children age 5-8 years.

Marie & Jimmy's European Holiday Hiccups

Jimmy writes...

We had a fantastic time. Every day was a different experience. The following are some of the unplanned events and the odd hiccups that made the trip even more memorable!

In Hong Kong airport, I was accosted by two seemingly irate Chinese ladies, both wearing masks. I didn't understand what they were on about until a fellow passenger informed me in English, that they wanted me to remove my hat. We were walking through an area that was monitoring people's body temperature through their head, checking for swine flu.

On the next flight we landed in Munich. Walking through the x-ray machine at German Customs the alarm bells rang. A tough looking armed bloke eyeballed me. "It's my knee, I've got a new knee" I cried, pointing at the scar.

"Ve vill have to take it off", he growled, and then laughed.

Our son had given us specific instructions for disembarking at Basel - we had to take the escalator and turn right at the top. Turn left and you're in France. The airport is in France at the back door and Switzerland at the front. We got it right and entered Switzerland to be welcomed by our son Victor, his wife Heidi, and their 3 beautiful boys Asher 6, Jasper 3, and Tanner 1. Jasper asked, "Granddad, what you doing?" then continued to ask the same question 5 times an hour 24/7!

After two days in Basel, we all crowded into the family car and drove across Switzerland, stopping for lunch by the lake in Geneva, and then into France, our destination La Crestnet in Provence. Vic had rented a 17th century Chateau for 7 days. After a wonderful, restful 7 days we returned to Basel, then Marie and I flew on to Rome for 4 days.



One of the many highlights was our visit to the famous battle site at Monte Casino. This battle had intrigued me for years, and I was keen to see the battle site, the monastery and the Commonwealth War Cemetery. We went by train from Rome, a journey of an hour and three quarters and Victor had organised a guide to meet us there.



We arrived on a beautiful day at around 9.30 am. We were met by Daniel who had arranged a car so we drove up the hill, about twice as high as the Mount, to the monastery. It is huge. Marie was immediately stopped by security because she was wearing shorts (long shorts).

We were in danger of not getting to first base, until a gardener went over to his tool shed, and produced a grubby red parka, which Marie zipped up, stepped into, and tied the sleeves around her waist. The view of the battle site and the surrounding countryside was spectacular, but this was only the entree.

Stepping into the monastery was nothing less than stunning. The building had been bombed by the Americans, after the Allied advance had been slowed, because of the strategic site of the monastery. After the war the Italian government had restored the building over a period of twenty years using the original plans. It was completed in 1965 and consecrated by the Pope. I can't begin to describe the beauty and the opulence. I commented that up in the ceilings was a lot of gold paint. "That's not paint. That's gold!" said our guide.

We drove through the small town of Casino, about the size of Katikati, to the cemetery. Hidden behind a wall, we stepped through into another world - row upon row of headstones. 4,500 of them lined up with military precision - left to right, front to back, and diagonally, not a fraction out of line. The lawns were like a bowling green and growing by each headstone was a flowering rose. The

whole place was silent other than a lone thrush that seemed to understand the significance, and whistled accordingly. We were the only people there. I walked up the lines - Smith, Johnstone, Sharplin, Lithgow - familiar New Zealand names. The average age seemed about 22. Four hundred and fifty of our boys are buried there. On the hill glistening in the sun, the casino looked down on us. I couldn't hold back the tears.

The hour and a half train trip from Rome to Assisi was memorable. I set my stop watch and had Marie counting the stations. With time nearly up Marie agreed that the next stop would be it, and we were right. The train stopped across from the sign 'Assisi'. We were the only people in the carriage of this huge train. I fought to get the heaviest case down and Marie was already walking excitedly down the carriage with the light one. I joined her at the door which was meant to open automatically, but hadn't. "What! Open it. Here, give me a go." Panic. In the distance the guard's whistle blew, and the Assisi sign gradually disappeared! Vicars don't swear! I can sometimes get away with it. This was one of those times. Needless to say it opened at the next station, and for 12 euros (\$26) we taxied back to this magnificent place.

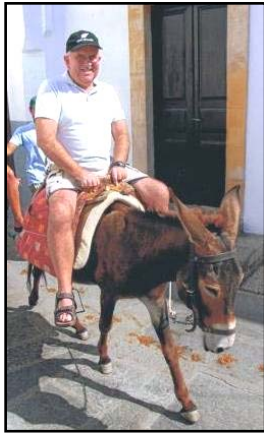
After Assisi we had 3 days in Florence and then 2 days in Venice. We then boarded a cruise ship and visited Bari, Argostoli, Athens, Rhodes, and Dubrovnic in Croatia, before returning to Venice.

Our instructions to get on the cruise ship were simple. A free shuttle bus departs from the bus station in Venice from 10 am. We were advised we had until 3.30 pm, so no need to be early. We arrived at the crowded bus station and Marie enquired as to which was our bus. He gestured over there, where a large tandem bus had people with large suitcases clambering on. "This to the port?" we asked. No one responded until an old bloke said "port, port, yes,



yes.” The bus topped a small rise and there they were, three beautiful white cruise ships over to the left. The bus then turned hard right onto a motorway and 45 minutes later we were at the airport!

More panic. 1.45pm. A queue for nonexistent taxis, and the clock ticking. After an eternity we were at the front of the queue, when two young guys wheeled their cases up and stood in front of us. We bluntly informed them that this was the front of the queue and they should be at the other end. They responded in English that they were going on a cruise. They also spoke fluent Italian. We invited them to stay in our space and offered to halve the taxi fare with them. We were dropped at the Cruise ship check in, and saved 40Euro which is about \$83.00, a nice outcome!



Our first port of call on the cruise was Bari. The first stop ashore was an ancient fortress high on a hill overlooking the port. On disembarking from the bus, the guide informed us of the history of the place, and then said “Follow me now and we’ll go up. There are 819 steps but it’s pretty easy going!” My heart sank. I had been determined not to let my new knee restrict us from seeing the sights, and here it was on day one, doing just that! The guide added “If you feel you can’t make it there are donkeys for hire over there.” Marie didn’t hesitate, “It’s the donkeys for us, Jimmy.” All right for her, she had ridden horses as a girl. Yachtie’s don’t do horses! I was uncomfortable getting aboard, my port knee didn’t want to bend enough. The donkey man grabbed it and pulled it over. I gritted my teeth and stifled the cry of pain. Full ahead both engines, 4 wheel drive, independent suspension, leaking exhaust, the captain hanging on grimly. Meanwhile up ahead, Marie sat relaxed in the saddle and enjoyed the view.

After the cruise we went back to Basel, then on to Paris for 4 days. The family joined us for the last two days. The following day, amid tears, we headed home via Frankfurt, and Shanghai.

Art and Fun



When the Vicar goes away the mice come out to play! Each time Marie has been away (to Fiji last year and Europe this year) a new project has sprung up. For the first time in the July school holidays we ran a week long

programme for children based at St Mary's. The focus of the programme was on the arts with options for painting and drama each day. Time spent in the kitchen was also part of the daily routine producing muffins, savoury tarts, biscuits and other yummy things.

The children attended from 9-12 Monday to Friday in the 2nd week of the holidays except on Wednesday when they joined in the Wild Wednesday programme. Ten children enrolled for the full week and 3-4 extras came for a couple of days each.

The programme was initiated by Finela Moore, a local artist who brings her children to St Mary's Family Centre. She suggested working with the parish to make it happen and offered to tutor the art section. Bonnie agreed to run the drama. We were able to get a small grant from Creative Tauranga to pay Finela and help with the cost of resources. The children also paid to be at the programme.

Plans are now under way for a similar event in September and we hope to add in the services of Carla, who tutors a dance programme for children at St Mary's. This is a great community partnership and a new way of reaching out to children in our community.

Pet Sunday
Sunday 4th October
10am at St Mary's



Bring your pets to Church
whatever shape and form they are.

No pet too noisy
or too large to attend.

All welcome.

This year we will be joined by the
local SPCA staff and animals,
including donkeys, to mark this
special day when we celebrate the
joy that animals bring to our lives.

Feast Day of
St Francis of Assisi

We are also celebrating the
life of St Francis of Assisi
whose feast day is
October 4th



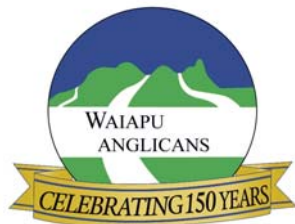
Black and White Glamour



Friends gather for dinner to celebrate 150 years of Waiapu Diocese.



Val Dyer, who has been in the Diocese since 1929, proposed the toast to celebrate the occasion.



Calling All Women

AAW extends an invitation to all women of the parish to attend our next meeting on Wednesday 9th September 1.30pm at St. Mary's Over the years we have received hospitality from other churches in the area. In September it is our turn to be the hosts. We have invited women from all the churches in Mt. Maunganui and Papamoa to share in a time of fellowship over afternoon tea.

We will be entertained by Arataki School Kapahaka for a short time from 1.30pm. There will be a sales table and raffle. The proceeds support the outreach missions of our church. Come along and share a good time. You will be very welcome.

If you need a ride ring Val 5759543 or Jeanette 5748004

A Thought for Us All

- If you have food in the refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof overhead and a place to sleep you are richer than 75% of this world.
- If you have money in the bank, in your wallet, and spare change in a dish someplace you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy.
- If you woke up this morning with more health than illness you are more blessed than the million who will not survive this week.
- If you have never experienced the danger of battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture, or the pangs of starvation you are ahead of 500 million people in the world.
- If you can attend a church meeting without fear of harassment, arrest, torture, or death you are more blessed than three billion people in the world.
- If your parents are still alive and still married you are very rare.
- If you hold up your head with a smile on your face and are truly thankful you are blessed because the majority can, but most do not.
- If you can hold someone's hand, hug them or even touch them on the shoulder you are blessed because you can offer healing touch.

- If you can read this message you are more blessed than over two billion people in the world that cannot read at all.
Have a good day and remember to give thanks.

Creative Construction Day

Have you ever wanted to build a dinosaur, a bridge or a monster? Let your imagination run wild. That was the only requirement for this Wild Wednesday. Fifty children took the opportunity to go wherever their imaginations led them. They gathered in St Marys Church Hall on Wednesday 8th July to see what they could construct out of a huge collection of recycled cardboard cartons using craft knives to cut and shape, and hot glue guns and parcel tape to make it all stick together. That's where the adult helpers were needed – to make sure little fingers were kept safe.

Many and varied were the things made - buildings, cars and aeroplanes to name a few. Time passed quickly as everyone was so busy and lunch time soon arrived. After lunch we went over the road to the park where the children all played games. Back in the hall for the afternoon we were all asked to make a car either individually or in groups. Imaginations went wild again and many and varied were the results and a real credit to them all. GM, Ford and Toyota - if they ever need designers they know where to come. An enjoyable day was had by all.



Smiles all round at the end of the day.



How much do you know about your city?

By Jim Dearlove

“Jim would you like to help with a Wild Wednesday?” asked Bonnie. “Yeah sure,” I replied, thinking of past Wild Wednesdays fording the Raparapa River and several trips to Branns Farm.

“This trip is going to be different. We're going to explore the wilds of the Strand and the delights of retail Cherrywood. Still OK?” Bonnie queries with a smile on her face. “Sounds different but I'm in” and with that my fate was sealed!

We arrived, 40 children and 9 oldies at the bus stop in Wharf Street, were divided into groups and given our instructions. My group was sent to the Strand. Now I have been down the Strand many, many times and on looking at the list I was given realised that I knew nothing much about it. Here are a few of the questions we had to figure out. See how you go.

- In the shelter at the junction of Devonport Rd and the Strand what creatures are in the painting?
- At the *Landing Place* information site find out and write down the very long name of the person who came to this area. What food did he bring with him?
- At the Waka site find out and write down what patterns the waka columns have been placed in. How many can you see?
- What is the name of the stone archway and the park?
- What were Devonport Road and Spring Street named after?
- At *Te Kahui Matariki* information site find out what the seven poles represent.

How are you going? Alright? Would you be passing NCEA Level 1 on Tauranga local knowledge?

Mosaic Art

I have walked along Willow Street from Wharf Street to Red Square many times after going to exciting places like the Bank or to the Council Office and I had noticed that there were fancy designs on the footpath but had never taken the time to examine them in detail. That was about to change. Here are a few of the questions my group had to work out in our next task. See how many you can do?

- What is the picture in the mosaic called Waewae Tapuwae Te Onopu?
- What is the proper name for the mosaic which in English is called The Four Winds?
- Who is the main mosaic artist in Wharf Street?
- How many mosaics did Lu Jiandong and Xing Yukuu Design?
- Find the flying kites.
- What is odd about the daisies?

I hope that after this issue of the Quest I will see everyone downtown looking for answers.

After a quick visit to the Creative Tauranga Gallery and the Library our group met at the bus stop to catch a nice new Hopper to take us to Cherrywood. Other groups headed off to Greerton and Brookfield shops.

Cherrywood Shops Scavenger Hunt

We arrived at Cherrywood about 11.15am and were issued with our list of 20 things to look for. The answers were all to be found by looking in the shop windows. We split up into small groups and the hunt was on.

- If you can't walk around the shops you may be able to hire a wheel chair. How much would it cost to hire one for a day?
- How many flags are flying in the whole shopping centre?
- There is a sign made out of blocks in a shop window where you might buy a present and it is not quite right. What should it say?
- What would it cost you to get a photo printed in a place where you might also get some medicine?

Get the idea? Well after an hour, lunch was beckoning so all aboard another Hopper and we are on our way to Wesley Methodist Church in 13th Avenue. We were made very welcome and were served a delicious lunch prepared by their Youth Group. Congratulations to them for feeding such a big group of us. After lunch some games were played finishing up with the Mad Relay which just about defies description so I will not attempt one. All together we had a great day and everyone was happy as we waited in Cameron Rd for buses to take us back to St Mary's.

Kids At Work

Great team work results in really imaginative constructions.



Wild Wednesday Action



The wonderful Wesley Methodist youth group fed 50 Wild Wednesday travellers. Soup, scones and apple crumble. Yum!!

Giving to the Future

We live in a material world. When you were younger how many electrical appliances did you have? A cooker maybe, a radio, a couple of standard lamps, a record player, later on a television and a washing machine. And yet you look around houses today and see all the wonderful gadgets and appliances we have. One of the problems today is finding enough power sockets to plug everything in.

As parents and grandparents, we look at the lifestyle, jobs, possessions, and wealth of our children and grandchildren, and we gaze in wonder at what they have. It is true to say that we have more material wealth than the last generation and the next generation will be able to say the same again. We are probably one of the first generations where almost everyone has something to leave behind.

Each of you must make up your own mind about giving. But don't feel sorry that you must give and don't feel that you are forced to give. God Loves people who love to give. 2 Cor 9

And yet, as the older generation often grumble, we are asset rich and cash poor. I know this from the work I do on insurance claims. I get to the end of a claim and work out the cost of repairs and say to the Insured, "Well that's the settlement and you have an excess of \$500 that you have

to contribute to the repairs" - and most people will have genuine difficulty in getting hold of the cash.

So when we get to the end of our lives, and go to be with God, what do we leave behind? Some of what we leave is shown by our descendants – our children, grand children, even great grandchildren. We see the young shoots that we nurtured and brought to adult life, and we can be proud of what they are doing in the world. Some of what we leave is in the possessions that we acquire through life. It's a funny thing, but possessions are not always things of value. How often I hear people say – "I lost my ring" or "I broke this vase, it was very valuable because it belonged to my grandmother". It may not have any great monetary value to the rest of the world but they put

great value on it because of the memory or association with someone or something that was valuable to them.

I remember a sermon from Fr Gerad, a couple of years ago, on All Saints Day. When he referred to The Saints, he wasn't just talking about the great saints and apostles. He was talking about the every day saints – about every one of you who quietly go about living the life of Christ through every job they do around the parish. Help in the op shop, flowers in the church, pastoral care in the rest home, delivering the Quest magazine. Every one of those things is a saintly contribution to the big task, living out the way that Christ taught us.

We can also give money now to the projects that are already around us. But how can we give to projects that are yet to come, to the parish of the future, to the people we haven't even met? One way is through a bequest. By virtue of a short sentence in your will, you can make a gift to saints of the future. You can help to ensure that projects which have not even been thought of yet have a chance to come to pass.

You can't take it all with you. And your children and grandchildren may already be quite well off through their own labours. By making a bequest, you give no money now. You give money in the future, and for the future. You can leave it to the parish, or better still, you can leave it to the Diocese of Waiapu with a request that it be used in any particular parish. And one other piece of advice, it is best to leave it for General Purposes. Who knows what projects will be running in the future, and current projects may have ceased.

James Tubbs
Vestry Member



And to my teenage grandchildren I leave my unused phone minutes.

Jive Bunnies Pre School Music



Jive Bunnies in action at St Mary's on Thursday mornings



Kate and Jo leading by example



Mums, Dads and caregivers join in the action



Value From the Past

Don't like side effects? Try some old-fashioned remedies.

Sore, tickly throat At first sign, gargle 4 hourly with 1tsp salt in half glass warm water.

Bronchitis, chesty coughs and sinus colds ½ tsp B.Soda, 2tbsp glucose in ½pint boiled water 4 times a day.

Poor circulation Make up 2pts boiling water, 4tbsp liquid honey, 1cup cider vinegar. Take 3 tbsp each morning for 6months.

Infected graze Use a compress of washed, fresh cabbage leaves. Repeat daily until clear.

Soft tissue damage e.g. strained calf muscle, ankle or wrist. Wrap in chilled arum lily leaves and bind with crepe bandage.

Warts Cut a stalk of rauraki and squeeze the milky juice on to warts regularly, until skin is clear.

Bee stings Remove sting asap by using a strand of your hair held firmly and run under sting tail. Apply a paste of 1tsp B.Soda mixed in water to the red area.

Wasp stings Immediately apply little vinegar or lemon juice to area.

Severe bruising Apply cold compresses for ten minutes until pain has gone.

Save the Planet. Avoid Sprays

To deter Ants Sprinkle flour or talcum powder along cupboard or shelf ledges.

To remove weevils, mites and silverfish from cupboards

Cut a clove of garlic. Place a piece in each corner and leave for two months. It will smell strongly for a few days, but is a safe and permanent solution.

To rid kitchen of flies Stand a spray of mint in small glass of water on bench.



Property Update from Vestry

St Peter's

- The new carpet at St Peter's was laid on the 17th and 18th of August. There was enough to do the vestry and the flower room as well. Some of the carpet that was removed has been given to households without floor coverings who need the extra warmth. The furniture shifting was done by a gang of PD Workers who also spent a day in the Peace Garden doing some work under our supervision.
- The old shed at St Peter's was demolished in June as it was full of borers and no longer suitable for storage. This task was also done by the PD team at no cost to the parish.
- The skylights in St Peter's hall have been replaced as they were leaking. The next project is to clean out the downpipes on the church and put in some better drainage at the base of each pipe.

St Mary's

- Following major leaks in the hall as a result of the hail storm and subsequent heavy rain in May there have been repairs in two places on the roof and new ceiling tiles will be installed to replace the damaged ones.
- There is an ongoing problem with a leak in the area behind the altar which leaves the carpet damp and smelly. We thought we had it sorted but it has happened again so we will continue to get help with that.
- Vestry is proposing a small working bee to steam clean the chairs and pews at St Mary's. Details to be advised.

St Mary's Tahatai Centre

- Vestry has just received a Faculty (permission from the Diocese) for Tahatai to proceed with extensions to their building. They are adding a staff room and workspace for the staff similar to the extension at St Mary's. The full cost will be met from their own reserve funds.

From the Registers

Weddings

Rosemary Joy Evans and
Mark Francis Liddy 18th July, 2009

Funerals

Olive Jessie Woodcraft 6th May, 2009

Nancy May Garland 2nd June, 2009

Patricia Rea Cobbald 3rd June, 2009

Stanley Raymond Lewis 4th June, 2009

Barry Albert Beazley 13th July, 2009

Nancy May Haywood 21st July, 2009

Rita Marion Claridge 25th July, 2009

James Ross Clarke Cotton 31st July, 2009

Merle Joy Keen 15th August, 2009

Ailsa Jordan 27th August, 2009

Regular Weekly Events

Monday

- 1.00pm Indoor Bowls St. Mary's Hall
6.15pm Girl Guides St Mary's Hall

Tuesday

- 9.00am Recycled Teenagers Exercise Class, St Mary's Hall
3.30pm Moa Park Kids Club, Scout Hall Valley Rd
3.15pm Rhythm Kids St Mary's Hall
5.15pm Brownies St Mary's Hall
5.30pm Yoga St Peter's Hall
7.00pm Rangers St Mary's Hall
7.00pm AA Meeting St Peter's Hall

Wednesday

- 10.00am Holy Communion St. Peter's with morning tea
10.00am Care and Craft St Mary's Hall
4.00pm Pippins St Mary's Hall
6.30pm Latin Dance for Children St Mary's Hall

Thursday

- 9.00am Art Group St Peter's Hall
9.30am St. Mary's Pre-school Service and
St. Mary's Tahatai Pre-school Service
10.00am Jive Bunnies Pre-school Music St Mary's Hall
1.30pm COPD Support Group St Mary's Hall
4.00pm Growing Through Grief St Mary's Hall
5.15pm Music Group Practice St. Mary's Church

Regular Monthly Events

1st Monday	10.30am Malyon House Communion Service
3rd Monday	7.00pm Vestry Meeting St Mary's
2 nd or 3 rd Monday	6.00pm Tripe and Onions Club St Peter's
1st Tuesday	1.30pm Bernadette Home Service
4th Tuesday	3.30pm Bayswater Village Service
1st Wednesday	3.00pm Somervale Lodge Service
2nd Wednesday	1.30pm A.A.W. Meeting St Mary's
2nd Thursday	3.00pm Somervale Villas Service
3rd Thursday	11.00am Malyon House Service
2nd Saturday	9.00am Arataki Market St Mary's
1st Sunday	10.00am St Mary's Interactive Worship

Use our Space

The facilities at St Mary's and St Peter's are available for hire by community groups. There are currently just a few free spaces at St Mary's but plenty at St Peter's.

The hire rate is \$20/hour + GST for commercial groups and \$10/hour + GST for community groups. Contact the Parish Administrator 575 9945 or adminang@vodafone.co.nz for bookings.

Parish Directory

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St Mary's Family Centre	Jackie Collins Manager	575 9915
St Mary's Tahatai Centre	Cherie Hughes Manager	572 5016
Arataki Market	Claire Peake Bookings	575 3238
Growing Through Grief	Naarah Simpson Anne Shilston	575 4944 552 6649
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