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**SATURDAY
25 JAN 2025**

10 AM - 2 PM

**ST PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL,
VICTORIA ROAD, MOUNT MAUNGANUI**

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Parish Diary This Week

Sun	12 Jan	9.30am	Eucharist	St Peter's
Mon	13 Jan	9.00am	Recycled Teenagers	St Peter's
Tues	14 Jan	10.00am	Saintly Shakers	St Peter's
Fri	17 Jan	1.00pm	Mah Jong	St Peter's

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ANGLE
Week Beginning
Sunday 12 January 2025

Working in partnership with Jesus - Serving Christ and the community

**Anglican Parish of Mt Maunganui
St Peter's 15 Victoria Rd, Mt Maunganui**




Today's Liturgy: St Peter's 9.30am: Thanksgiving for Creation & Redemption (456)

Sentence: The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'
Luke 3:22

Collect:
**God, ever present;
closer than breath;
disclosed in prayer.
Let us know your presence,
strengthen us to serve you,
and guide us in your service.
Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Hymns: Will be chosen on the day.

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Dear friends

What is it about the Baptism of our Lord that is so important? There are very few events in the life of Jesus found in all four gospels and this is one of them. The lectionary recognises its importance – it is considered a principal feast in the life of the church and the instructions read that it “should not be displaced by any other celebration”. We can ask what did the Baptism of the Lord mean for Jesus and what does it mean for us? Each gospel account is a little different and each emphasises something distinctive.

Luke’s version gives a no real description of the baptism, but he gives us an interesting context. The context in Jesus’ life was prayer – this event, like so much of Jesus’ life, was bathed in prayer and Luke’s gospel emphasises the place of prayer in Jesus’ life and ministry. The context in Luke’s gospel separates it from John the Baptist (in the verses we omit to read in the middle of this Sunday’s gospel reading it tells the story of John’s arrest and imprisonment). Is Luke telling us to look at this baptism of Jesus as something different from the baptism of repentance and forgiveness preached by John? Luke then follows the story of the baptism with the whakapapa of Jesus. This is different to the genealogy found in Matthew. After the voice from heaven addressing Jesus as “my Son, the Beloved” we read a whakapapa which takes Jesus’ ancestry right back to God finishing with “son of Adam, son of God”. It seems that Luke wants us to see the Baptism of Jesus linked to his very identity.

Perhaps it is that sense of identity which links our baptism to the Baptism of the Lord. We are the baptised people of God; like Jesus, we are declared children of God, we are given our identity. In our liturgy, we all respond together

On Approaching my ordination 2019

You walked the hard yards for me
you were the ones told they couldn’t do it
“women aren’t supposed to be priests”
“it’s against the Bible - a sin”
“men must have authority over women”
“you’re not welcome”
“when they ordain women - I’ll leave the church”
Those were the messages you heard
Bravely you walked your truth, Kia Kaha
You held your head high, trusting in your calling.
you walked a lonely path against the crowd.

Because of you I walk this path
Words of encouragement in my ears
Smiles and hugs greeted the news of my upcoming ordination
Women walk before me, beside me, behind me.
I too have been called and will make my vows.
You fought the battle of prejudice
that is not required of me.

To all my ordained sisters
Thank you for this gift of joy
It is your shoulders which bear me
We are a community of love and justice.
I will walk my truth
I will hold my head high, trusting in my calling
I will walk in your company
Because, for decades,
You walked the hard yards

Aroha nui

Sue Genner

**Congratulations to Reverend Marie Gilpin
Recipient of King's Service Medals
in the 2025 New Year's Honours**

For services to the community

Reverend Marie Gilpin has been the industrial chaplain for Westpac Bank, Gallaghers Group, and Placemakers in Hamilton. With the Ministry to Seafarers in Mount Maunganui, Reverend Gilpin provided support to staff, planning and facilitating learning and skills forums, training for staff on stress management, and spiritual care of seafarers in hospital. She is currently in her eleventh year as Chaplain to the Mount Maunganui Returned and Services Association, including officiating at ANZAC commemoration services. She was a member of the Anglican Diocese Discernment Panel in Hamilton, recruiting for clergy and training them for ordination. She was a voluntary social worker for the former Department of Social Welfare in Hamilton for five years, and Chaplain for the Multiple Sclerosis Society. She organised seminars for those coping with grief for the Cancer Society. She was appointed to Saint Stephen's Church in Tamahere and then as Vicar at Mount Maunganui. With her husband, she has organised and led a choir for the community, playing the piano and organ for concerts. Reverend Gilpin helped established the Neighbourhood Support Group for Mount Maunganui in 2008, helping divide the area into six.

Amen,
God receives you by baptism
Into the church
Child of God
Blessed in the Spirit
Welcome
To the family of Christ.

The font is found at the door of the church so that each time we enter we are reminded of our identity and that we enter the church via our baptism. Back in the 1970s it became trendy to "find oneself". For us, knowing and understanding our identity is firmly grounded in our baptism – we are known and beloved children of God and members together of the family of God. May we rejoice together in this truth in 2025.

Arohanui

Sue+
Priest-in-charge

Readings for today

1st Reading: Isaiah: 43:1-7

Reader: Chaliun Poppy

2nd Reading: Acts 8:14-17

Reader: Tracy Dixon Shum

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Reader: Sue Genner

Liturgist: James Tubbs

Intercessions: Carolyn Fisher

Chalice: Nicola McMahon

Greeter: Nicola McMahon
Carolyn Fisher

A PRAYER FOR WAIAPU

God of past and present,
yours is the Spirit that fires the life of your Church.
and yours is the work we are given to do;
bless our diocese with courage
to pray for that which seems inconceivable,
a tenacity of hope
that sees your kingdom even in the ashes,
and a grace
that knows we are all brothers and sisters
In your love. **Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK: We pray for all those in our congregation
struggling with challenges in their lives.

“Bless those for whom we pray.”

Date for the Diary:

Parish Summertime BBQ

When: Sunday 2 February 2025

Where: St Peter's, 15 Victoria Road, Mt Maunganui

Time: 5pm

Buns, sausages and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided. Please bring a cold salad to share.

BYO: Beer and Wine.



Amanda is on annual leave from Tuesday 14 January 2025 and will be back in the office on Friday 24 January 2025. The Parish Office will only be open on Wednesdays & Fridays during this time when Pam is in the office.



Wednesday Holy Eucharist

Will resume on **Wednesday 5 February 2025.**



Communion

We will now gather around the altar rail for communion. If you are unable to manage to step up to the altar, please remain in your seat and communion will be brought to you.



At our Eucharist bread and wine will be offered from the altar rail. **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS INTINCTION (DIPPING) OF BREAD INTO WINE PERMITTED.** If this occurs then a fresh chalice of wine has to be prepared for the remainder of the congregation.

Next Week's Readings

Isaiah 62:1-5
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11