

# ANGLE

## Week beginning

### Sunday 19th April 2026

Working in partnership with Jesus – Serving Christ and the community

**Anglican Parish of Mt Maunganui**  
**St Peter's 15 Victoria Rd - St Mary's Cnr of Girven Rd & Marlin St**

Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed, Alleluia!



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

**St Peter's 9.30am**

Please join us for morning tea after the service

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## *Dear friends*

Dear Friends

Jesus is raised from the dead - so what! What do we do with the resurrection? This week we have another reading from Acts about Peter's first sermon. It's worth going back and reading the whole scene again. In response to all the Pentecost kerfuffle the crowd were asking "what does it mean?" So Peter stood up and preached. And what he preached was resurrection. That is the real focus of Peter's sermon - resurrection and ascension. For Peter it was the resurrection and ascension of Jesus which finally helped him understand who Jesus was. It is this which shows Peter and us all that Jesus is Lord and Messiah. The one to worship and the one we've hoped and longed and dreamed of. But Jesus is our Messiah in ways we didn't expect. We thought Messiah would be one kind of person and Jesus constantly upended our expectations. It took Resurrection for us to begin to understand it. Resurrection was the thing which really helped us change perspective on Jesus' entire life and ministry.

The crowd responds with another question "what shall we do?".

And Peter gives them two things to do:

The first is to change - change hearts, change perspective, change minds, change lives. Many translations use the word "repent" but the Common English Bible reads "Peter replied, "Change your hearts and lives," which is such a perfect description of what repentance is.

The second requirement is to "be baptised" - join the community, come into the family. In our own baptismal liturgy, the congregation responds to the baptism with the declaration "welcome to the family of Christ." The final sentence in the Acts reading says "God brought about three thousand people into the community on that day."

The promise was forgiveness and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Peter goes on to exhort them “Be saved from this perverse generation.” Be saved from yourselves, be saved from the darkness and despair which surrounds you. It feels like “perverse generation” would be a very apt label for our crazy world today. We humans need saving from ourselves, because our worst impulses and instincts are so self-destructive. In the Resurrection of Jesus, God offers us change, hope, forgiveness, community and the gift of God’s own presence in our community and in our lives.

Writer and minister Sarah Bessey posted this week, “Well, against all odds and advice from experts, I'm going to live like there is still hope. In fact, I'm going to be downright ridiculous about it. I'll be defiant and stubborn, an absolute curmudgeon for hope.”

How do you respond to the Resurrection? What difference does it make in your own lives and in our lives as a community? What difference does it offer for the community around us?

Arohanui  
*Sue +*

Please note: our parish administrator has been away recovering from surgery last week and this week and hopes to return to work next Wednesday. On Tuesday the parish office will be closed.

**Readings for today**

<b>1st Reading:</b>	<b><i>Acts 2.14a,36-41</i></b>
Reader:	Tracy Dixon Shum
<b>2nd Reading:</b>	<b><i>1 Peter 1.17-23</i></b>
Reader:	Barbara Ollerton
<b>Gospel Reading:</b>	<b><i>Luke 24.13-35</i></b>
Reader:	Rev'd Sue Genner
Liturgist:	Thelma Lindup
Intercessions:	Thelma Lindup
Chalice:	Barbara Ollerton
Greeter:	Cherry Waring

This month is Pride Month. It is a reminder to us all that we are all God's creation and loved equally by God. God created and God loves and celebrates diversity in all forms. God's love is inclusive and God welcomes all in our gatherings and at the table we share together.

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**  
**10am Mid-week Eucharist at St Peter's**

**Service:** Mid-week Eucharist

**Preaching:** Chaliun Poppy

**Readings:** Acts 8:1b-8  
John 6:35-40

**Sentence:**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

*1 Peter 1:3*

**Collect**

**Loving Shepherd:**

**you lead us nowhere you yourself have not been.**

**Call us by name,**

**lift us high upon your shoulders,**

**and bring us to the fold.**

**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**

Due to the cancellation of in-person worship last week -  
BRIEF SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING AFTER  
CHURCH ON SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> TO ELECT OUR  
PEOPLES WARDEN.  
BARBARA MAGEE HAS ACCEPTED NOMINATION

**Prayers of the People:**

We pray for the Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma).  
And we also pray for the Anglican Indigenous Network which unites Indigenous Anglicans across the Communion

Here in Waiapu we pray for the Waiapu Kids St Matthew's  
Manager: Sandie Tamati

We pray for our church - for wisdom, guidance, and love as we discern the ministries towards which God is calling us.

We pray for those in need, especially those who have asked for our prayers *Karen, Anna, Amanda & Rocco*.



*If you would like to be on the Parish Prayer List let Sue or Amanda know.*

As it was Low Sunday last week, the Chancel Choir is enjoying some well-deserved time off. In lieu of choral music, some of the singers have prepared solos as special music.

Anthem: "Ho in non so che nel cor" Mary Magdalene's aria from the oratorio "The Resurrection" - G. F. Handel  
Sung by Friederike André

Motet: Fac me vere tecum flere from the Stabat Mater –  
F. J. Haydn  
Sung by Gillian Waghorn

Handel Translation: There is a feeling in my heart, telling me to suffer no more but to rejoice. Yet my heart is still afraid to trust the voices of joy, but maybe it can believe.

Haydn Translation: Let me mingle tears with thee, mourning Him Who mourned for me, all the days that I may live.

# Save the date!

## May 10<sup>th</sup>

# 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St Peter's

Rev Sue will be away from Monday April 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday April 29<sup>th</sup> (inclusive). There will be a Service of the Word on April 26<sup>th</sup> lead by James Tubbs and it will be James' last service with us before moving away.

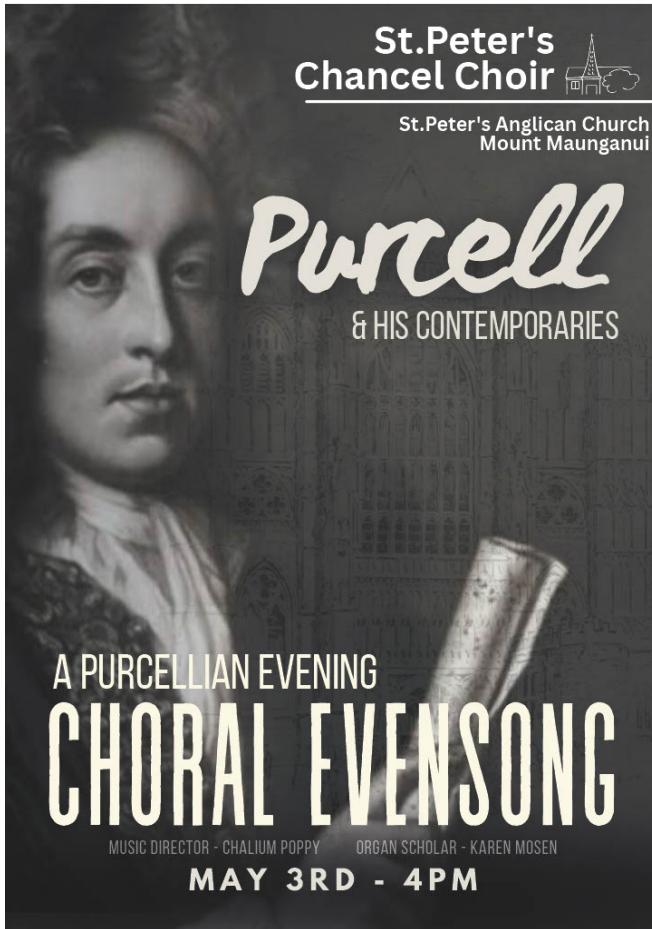
Midweek communions will be celebrated with reserved sacrament.


Please contact Amanda in the office or our Wardens John & Barbara if anything comes up while she is away.

For those who are curious I will be in Dunedin spending most of the week in the library working on the research essay for the paper I did last year. My final day away is attending a forum on creative worship in Christchurch

Easter is not a day – it's a season lasting 50 days. It defines who we are as a people of God.

**SAVE THE DATE!**



**St. Peter's  
Chancel Choir** 

St. Peter's Anglican Church  
Mount Maunganui

**Purcell**  
& HIS CONTEMPORARIES

A PURCELLIAN EVENING  
**CHORAL EVENSONG**

MUSIC DIRECTOR - CHALUM POPPY    ORGAN SCHOLAR - KAREN MOSEN

**MAY 3RD - 4PM**



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 must be prepared for the remainder of the congregation.

## **PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK**

Sun	19 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's
Sun	19 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 pm	Holy Eucharist	St Mary's
Tues	21 <sup>st</sup>	7 pm	Scholar's Practice	St Peter's
Wed	22 <sup>nd</sup>	10 am	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's
Sun	26 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am	Service of the Word	St Peter's

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