



# Richmond Parish News

Sunday 29 September 2019



**Theme:** Wealth: A destructive commodity?  
**Priest in Charge:** Revd. Ian Smith  
**Preacher:** Revd. Jeff Odhiambo and Lyn Ashby  
**Readings:** Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Luke 16:19-31

**Sentence:**

Religion, of course, does bring large profits, but only to those who are content with what they have. We brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it; but as long as we have food and clothing, let us be content with that.  
*- 1 Timothy 6:6-7 (Jerusalem Bible)*

**Collect:**

God of resurrection, where there is death you bring new life; challenge our attachment to wealth and power, so that we may release others from the chains of poverty, hunger, and injustice, and

the whole earth live to praise your name; through the Risen Christ, who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

*Following Jesus, Building Community*

**Monday evening course** - In October/November the Revd Fergus Capie and I will be conducting four Monday evenings on developing the art of listening, titled "*I Hear What You Say... or do I?*" Fergus worked with the Bishop of London's Inter Faith Dialogue Team and has much interest in this subject which he will share. I would ask that you email me if you are interested in these conversations ([vicar@richmondparish.nz](mailto:vicar@richmondparish.nz)) so we have the right amount of printed material available.

The Course will run as follows:

Week 1 - 14 October 'Listening to one another, one-to-one, day-to-day'

Week 2 - 21 October 'Listening to others; to their backgrounds, cultures, faiths'

Week 3 - 4 November 'Listening together; the church's response to the world'

Week 4 - 11 November 'Listening to God; through scripture, prayer and life'

You will notice a break over Labour weekend!

**Preserves** - Thank you to everyone who supports missions through buying preserves. If you would like to make some preserves for this cause to sell during Synod, at the beginning of October, please feel free to contribute. If you have any clean jars, preferably label free we would appreciate them.— *Shiona*

**Nelson Gospel Day** - Marie O'Connor, on behalf of the 2019 Nelson Gospel Day Committee, a group of volunteers with help from the Gideons, invites you to Nelson Gospel Day. On December the 14th, volunteers from all over the Top of the South are going to read the New Testament non-stop from beginning to end at the Cathedral Steps. Would you like to share the Gospel with Nelson? The entire New Testament takes about 20 - 24 hours to read and people will do 15 minute readings so we will need: 80 - 100 readers. They need: extra keen readers who will read the Gospel in the middle of the night. (It is a Saturday night in summer and McDonalds is near by so there is likely to be an audience right through to the end!) Backup readers to be there for one hour in case of allocated readers not showing up. Prayer volunteers to pray with members of the public on request. People to set up and pack up. People to bring refreshments. Prayer volunteers to pray for the event. This is a tremendous chance to put Christmas back in its proper context and share the real Christmas message - the good news of Jesus! If you would like to book a time to read, help in any way or if you have questions about Gospel Day, please feel free to email [newtestamentnelson@gmail.com](mailto:newtestamentnelson@gmail.com). We are also on Facebook, or you can call Sean on 027 351 2750 (12.00 - 1.00 p.m. or after 5.00pm on weekdays, all day Saturday and after 12.00 p.m. on Sundays).

**Mamaku Grove Respite Opening** - A newly formed initiative, headed up by Nathaniel & Simone Petterson, that is seeking to be a faith community that welcomes people into rest from busyness, grow closer to Jesus and be equipped to go back out into the world. They hope to be a resource for the whole Diocese and beyond. Service at 2:30pm, followed by afternoon tea on Saturday 26 October. 551 Hamama Rd, Golden Bay (last house on the left) Ph. 021 110 9993

**Synod Volunteers** - Saturday 12 October. Saturday morning helpers needed to pack up and clean the Richmond School Hall where the Synod Dinner is being held on Friday 11 October. Saturday afternoon helpers needed from 1.30pm volunteers to pack up and clean our Community Centre after Synod finishes. There is a clip board at the back of the church - please let us know if you can help. Otherwise just turn up on the day. Thanks - *Shiona*.

**Food Bank** - Lyn Ashby has now taken over management of Holy Trinity's Food Bank from Elena Nicholls. The food cupboard has plenty of toilet soap, pasta sauces and tinned fruit at present but could do with stocking up on the following items: tins of Just Add Mince, tinned veggies, rice, cornflakes or breakfast cereals, 500gr bags of raw sugar, biscuits, laundry powder, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet paper. There is a box of food etc made up ready to be given away in the office. Also there are 2 boxes ready to go in the food cupboard itself. If you are the person who is giving one of these, please get name and contact phone number from the receiver and record on the sheet of paper in the back of the office diary. Please leave all food donations in the square basket at the back of the church. Many thanks and may God bless you as you give. Please direct any enquiries to me Ph. 027-448-7488.  
*Lyn - Keeper of the Cupboard*

**Lunch on the Hill** - Join us for company and a hot meal from 11.30 on Tuesday 1 October in our new Community Centre, Bring your friendliness and a koha.



## **WARNING** Burn Hazard

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

### **Prayers for the Week**

**The World** - We pray for the volatile area of the Middle East, especially for the leaders of Iran, Saudi Arabia and the Yemen, that they might have wise counsel and leadership and not rush into quick retaliation and so escalate the conflict. We continue to pray for those who are seeking to bring genuine, just resolution to all conflicts in this area and for the ordinary people and the refugees who have had to put up with so much hardship, disruption and fear.

We pray for the political turmoil in the UK, grant we pray wise, understanding leadership that works for unity and the good of all in that country.

**Missions** - We pray for the Corin family and thank you for the whole family's willingness to serve you in a difficult location in Central Asia. Bless the children as they continue their studies, with some of them now overseas away from their family. Give wisdom to Chris in his contacts with local pastors, as he mentors them and encourages them in their small business development. We pray for the local believers and their families, for protection from persecution and undue challenges, but also for continued boldness as they share their faith in their communities.

**Diocese** - We pray for the work of Golden Bay Parish with Philip and Lynda Lyes and their team. Help them to ascertain the ministry and evangelistic opportunities within the scattered communities of Golden Bay. Encourage a sense of unity within the parish and help them to commit themselves to prayer.

We pray for our Diocesan Synod (October 11 & 12) and the clergy retreat prior to Synod (October 9-10). Grant wisdom to our diocese at this time of change, and help Bishop Steve to direct this diocese wisely and with your vision. We pray that all the outstanding arrangements for Synod, including our contribution here in this parish, be completed on time without undue stress. We pray also that you will provide new godly, empowering and passionate leadership to the parishes that are awaiting their new vicars.

**Local Area** - We thank you for the work of the Richmond Church of Christ with Steve and Lynn Rollo and their leadership team. We thank you for their passion for evangelism and thank you for the conversions they have seen. Help them to encourage and nurture these new believers that they may become fruitful disciples.

**Parish** - We thank you for all who help to run our services on Sundays and Wednesdays, encourage them in their service and help them to see how these services can develop to help us all to better worship you as you deserve and to be transformed by your Holy Spirit.

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 granting of the Code Compliance Certificate for the new building and pray your wisdom and provision for all those who are progressing the final stages of this project. We also give very grateful thanks for all who have contributed their time, money and talents to this new building. Lord this is your project and we pray that you will supply our outstanding financial 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, those who are in care and for those recovering from falls, sickness or hospital admissions or those about to go into hospital. All these prayers we ask in the name of Jesus, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

## **This Week...**

### **Monday 30 September**

9.30am Friends 'n Fun

### **Tuesday 1 October**

10.00am Fortnightly Women's Group (B Page)

10.00am Fortnightly Bible Study Group (E Erskine)

11.30am Lunch on the Hill

7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S.Frengley)

### **Wednesday 2 October**

10.00am Holy Communion

12.00pm 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Group (J South)

### **Thursday 3 October**

9.30am Friends 'n Fun

12.00pm Weekly Study Group (W Wilkinson, J Lines)

7.30pm Fortnightly group (J Palmer)

7.30pm Fortnightly group (N Pritchard)

### **Sunday 6 October**

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

## **Coming up...**

### **Monday 14, 21 October & 4, 11 November** ***I Hear What You Say... or do I?"***

4 part series on Developing the Art of Listening

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

## **St Albans' Appleby Services**

**10.30am Sunday 13 October**

Holy Communion

**Leader** - Revd. Fergus Capie

**10.30am Sunday 27 October**

Morning Worship

**Leader** - Revd. Peter Bean

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03 0751 0146369 001 Westpac Richmond

## **Roster for 6 October** *Thank you for serving us all!*

<b>Leader:</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	J South	<b>10.30am</b>	A Odhiambo
<b>Reader:</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	A Heslop, V Whyte	<b>10.30am</b>	J Palmer
<b>Sidesperson:</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	TBA	<b>10.30am</b>	S Clover
<b>Welcomer:</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	J Lines	<b>10.30am</b>	M Brosnahan
<b>Chalice:</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	J McConachie, E Erskine, S Stephens	<b>10.30am</b>	N/A
<b>Tea:</b>		M Gibson, S Stephens		
<b>Flowers:</b>		M Fulton	<b>Creche:</b>	TBA

**Theme for Next Sunday:** The Key to Service; little faith and humility

**Readings for Next Sunday:** Lamentations 1:1-6; Luke 17:5-10

## **Parish Contacts**

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