

Calling all Musicians - Does anyone play the guitar and / or piano and would like to be involved in playing some carols with the children? Please let me know soon as I am planning for Christmas now! Thanks Catherine 022 6479810

Church open for Prayer - Join in on Monday from 9.00am to 2.00pm to pray for your personal needs, our parish, our community and the world. Coffee and prayer. All welcome. Feel free to come and go.

Senior's tea and talk - 10.00am -11.30am each Wednesday morning in the Richmond Seniors rooms, adjacent to the Age Concern Offices, Oxford Street. The cost is \$3.00 to cover morning tea. Please come and invite any senior neighbours you may have. It would be great to have many of our people there as we start this exciting new venture! For information or to help please see Shiona or Yvonne.

Delicious truffles – Only \$5 a dozen. All profits go to Mission Without Borders to support children in poverty in Romania and Moldova. Order forms and payment to Marianne Brosnahan by Sunday 16 October Ph. 544 3972

Volunteers Wanted - Is there anyone (preferably two) who could sit in with the children to watch a veggie tales movie the Sunday of Labour Week end 23 October? All you have to do is sit and be the adults, have a cuppa and so forth. I will be away camping and so my kids won't be there and neither will Michaela's. It could be very quiet! If you can help please call or txt Catherine on 022 647 9810 Cheers!

New Parishioners - Here are details of two recent families that have decided to attend Church on the Hill. A week ago we were delighted to welcome David and Barbara Spokes into our church family. They have decided to attend the later service at 10:45. Here are a few words from them: Originally from the U.K., we have been fortunate to live & work in various parts of New Zealand; last Autumn, however, we made our final move...to the Olive Estate here in Richmond – good move indeed! As we daily count our blessings, gazing at the marvel of God's handiwork all around us (what a beautiful area, what a friendly community), we have been seeking a new church family. Albeit we have been members of the Presbyterian church prior, we feel the Lord led us to Holy Trinity. Worshipping as part of the congregation, we feel the love of God. We are grateful for the warm welcome received. Contact details are: 43 Langdale Drive Phone: 544 3032. We also have welcomed Tom and Norma Francis to our later congregation. Norma originally hails from the UK but both have lived in several places around the country. Their most recent move is from Nydia Bay where they owned and operated *On the Track Lodge*. They have spent quite a bit of time in the Nelson area so have come home to be closer to family (one daughter is Vanessa Martin who pastors New Life church with husband Jono). Norma and Tom recently emailed Susan with this message "We feel so welcomed and loved by the Church - Such a neat feeling! You can contact them @ tomandnormafrancis@gmail.com or Phone 027 422 0719

Mission to Seafarer's AGM - The Port Nelson Mission to Seafarers' AGM will be held at the Anglican Centre office after the Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday 8 November at 3.00pm. All are welcome.

St Michael's Church Waimea West - 150th Anniversary of the Second Church on the site. St Michael's, Waimea West, on the outskirts of Brightwater, is celebrating its 150th anniversary in November. The first wooden church was opened in 1843, but it later needed substantial repairs so a new church was planned. The foundation stone of the current St Michael's Church was therefore laid on 24 November, 1866. To celebrate this event there will be a 150th anniversary service on Sunday 27 November, at 10.00am with Bishop Richard. Following this a celebratory lunch is being held. (\$30 pp) We welcome you to be part of this service to help us celebrate this anniversary. If you would like to stay on for lunch please email: [Pauline Coy paulinebc@gmail.com](mailto:PaulineCoy@paulinebc@gmail.com) for details. For the history of St Michael's please see <http://www.waimeanelsonanglican.org.nz/st-michaels-church.html>. With Blessings from St Michael's Church

St Christopher's Market Morning - Bargains for everyone. 8.30am - 1.00pm Saturday 12 November 2016. Chocolate Guess / Cakes and Sweets / Clothing / Plants / Books / Crafts / Jams and Preserves / Yesterday's Treasures / Garage Sale / Morning Teas / Gourmet BBQ. St Christopher's Hall Cnr Weld & Cleghorn St, Blenheim.

International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church - Join with Christians around the world on Sunday 6 November as Open Doors, Barnabas Fund, and Voice of the Martyrs unite us for the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (IDOP). Here in New Zealand, Christians may not suffer as much as our fellow believers in other nations. What is our response to the cries of persecuted Christians? We can stand in the freedom we have to pray for our brothers and sisters around the world who suffer for their faith in Christ. See idop.nz or [facebook.com/IDOPNZ](https://www.facebook.com/IDOPNZ) for free resources and prayer materials to aid you in prayer.

Missions trip to Murchison



Calling all cleaners and mission minded people!

We are a blessed community at Holy Trinity so let us bless one of the small churches in our Diocese.

Friday 4 November to Sunday 6 November – billets or accommodation laid on.

We've been asked to clean the outside of the church and church hall in Murchison on Saturday, help at a bonfire night in the evening and take the 10.30am service on the Sunday.

What a joy to minister to this small congregation.

Interested?

Contact John Palmer 544 4275.

Notes from the Vestry...

- Our finances are tracking close to our 'faith budget' assisted by prudent expenditure and transfers from Trust funds
- Vicarage renovations cost \$50,000 and we have funded this expenditure through a \$12,000 grant from the Diocese and Maintenance funds
- The Waimea Weekly monthly page was discussed and it was agreed to continue with it and that an appeal will be made for parishioners to sponsor the page.
- The Building Team have consulted with over 50 people and have received feedback on a number of areas - storage, kitchen, toilets, office, entrance and roof lines. New drawings are in progress. When they are completed costings will be done and a presentation will be made to parishioners. There will also be further opportunities for folk to give to the project.
- A stage is planned for the grass area, a natural amphitheatre for outdoor events.
- We are actively seeking (in NZ and overseas) to employ a Youth Leader to work with 11- 30 year olds.
- Missions giving to AMB (Anglican Missions Board) was discussed along with an update on the slow progress of the restructure of AMB following the review of 12 months ago. Vestry are writing to AMB seeking information on the implementation of the review recommendations.