

*Welcome! Haere mai!*

## **St John's Anglican Church, Ōtūmoetai**



**Sunday, 17 November 2024**

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*Liturgy: p.404*

### *Greetings:*

I am grateful to Rev Sue standing in this weekend. I was originally supposed to be at Te Puke but with Rev Adrienne's appointment as Priest in Charge there I was no longer required. Instead, I can attend grandson Arden's birthday in Wellington. Joy!

Please pray for Archbishop Justin Welby and his family this weekend. We take a strong stance against covering up abuse of any sort in the church, but ++Justin has been a strong communicator in our Communion and has lead the way on several important initiatives. Pray also for those responsible for selecting the next Archbishop of Canterbury.

Our readings for Morning Prayer at the moment come from Daniel and Revelation ... they can be an exciting read (especially when taken together)! I think the most important thing to remember when reading these books in particular, is that they are descriptions of visions in the minds of prophets ... yes, they are useful and instructive, but we need to read them with a heart for the practical and in this moment. Compared with other parts of Scripture, we might not always find them immediately applicable to our daily lives ... *unless we are approaching the apocalypse!* But keep reading just

the same ... all Scripture is valuable for the development of character.

Grace and peace, *Tony*

## **WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY: 17 November 2024**

### **Sentence:**

The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; He will give strength to His King and exalt the power of His anointed. *1 Samuel 2: 10*

### **Collect:**

**God, our Ruler and Guide, when we come to the place where the road divides, keep us true to the way of Christ, alive to the present opportunities, and confident of eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**OT Reading** *Daniel 12: 1-3*

**NT Reading** *Hebrews 10: 11-14, 19-25*

**Gospel** *Mark 13: 1-8*

### **Prayers of the People**

Today we pray for those who lead the Anglican Church in our Province and for the Board and staff of Anglican Financial Care.

We pray also for those in need, especially those who have asked for our prayers: Craig, Viv, James F, Hazel, Lynda, Lawrence, Adam, Sheryl T.

### **Advent Study**

Advent Study will be held at 11am and 7pm on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December. All welcome. A sign up sheet is at the back of the church.

### Lavender Craft Morning Tea

Lavender Craft Group will be holding their annual Christmas Devonshire tea in the lounge from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon on Monday 25 November. Admission will be \$5. There will be a sales table with wonderful gifts for Christmas, raffles and a \$200 spot prize. All welcome – and bring a friend.

### Mission to Seafarers

We are again running a special Christmas collection for children of seafarers and seafarers. Contributions of small gifts would be appreciated (please indicate on the gift if it is for a female, male or child – for children please also indicate gender and age). Gifts can be placed in the Seafarers collection box in the foyer.

scholars baroque  
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chamber choir

Handel's NZ BAROK

**Messiah**

TAURANGA Sat 23 Nov 7:30pm St Mary Immaculate  
WAIHI Sun 24 Nov 2:30pm Waihi Memorial Hall

iTICKET.co.nz or scholarsbaroque.com or phone 0508 iTICKET (484 253)

### **This Week Beginning: 18 November**

**Tuesday** 12.00 pm Fish n Chips and Games

**Wednesday** 10.00 am Mid-week Eucharist  
2.00 pm SAYGo

**Friday** 9.00 am Senior Chef

**Op Shop** 10.00 am - 4.00 pm Monday to Friday  
10.00 am - 1.00 pm Saturday  
**Playgroup** 9.30 - 11.30 am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
**Toy Library** 9.30 - 11.30 am Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

**Service for Sunday 24 November –**  
9.30 am Holy Communion

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