



The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

Encompassing St Matthew's, Hastings & St Peter's, Riverslea & St Martin's, Mayfair
Christian communities in the heart of Hastings

Sunday 25 February 2024 2nd Sunday in Lent

Welcome - Haere mai!

Stay and share morning tea with us following the service

*We respect your choice to wear a face-mask.
Please take this newsletter home for reference.*



Ministering with us at **St Matthew's** 25 February

Presider &
Preacher: Ven. David van Oeveren &
Rev'd Margaret Thompson

Liturgist: Mark Sutton

Chalice: Roy Thompson

Readers: Barbara Person &
Kamogelo Mogakabe

Music: Kathy Fletcher

Sound: Richard Bayley

Welcomers: Philip & Sharon Mardon

Morning Tea: Barbara Person &
Margaret Steer

Readings: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Ps 22:23-31,
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38

Ministering with us at **St Peter's** 25 February

Presider &
Preacher: Rev'd Alister Hendery

Chalice: Michael Birch

Prayers: Glenis Libby

Music: Ruth Cunliffe

Reader: Warwick Dingle

Powerpoint: David Hodder

Welcomers: Bevan & Jackie Cottrell

Morning tea: Michelle Thornton &
Liz Buxton

Sacristan: Jo Small

Readings: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Ps 22:23-31,
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38



Sunday 3 March: Lent 3 – Children’s Day.

8am. St Matthew’s, Hastings.

10am. St Matthew’s, Hastings.

Commissioning of & Prayer for all of our Waiapu Kids St Matthew’s & St Matthew’s Primary School Teaching & Support Staff, BoT & BoP to begin the 2024 educational year.

To celebrate CHILDREN’S DAY we invite all children to come join the worship in their National Dress / Costume or School Uniform as we celebrate unity in diversity – <https://www.childrensday.org.nz/>.

10am. St Peter’s, Riverslea.

The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings AGM 2024

Will be held on Sunday 24 March 2024, following the 10am service.

Please prayerfully consider who you might Nominate and Second for significant Parish Positions of Vestry Member, People’s Warden, and Synods Representative?

The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings requires Creative and Curious parishioners who show Competence, Capability and Capacity to be considered for Vestry Member, People’s Warden, and Synods Representative.

Is that you or a fellow regular worshipper you know? Nomination Forms now available, closing date for nominations **noon, Sunday 17 March.**

Deficit Mitigation Brainstorm TODAY

Sunday 25 February 3.30 – 5pm.

The Vestry will be bringing a Deficit Budget to the A.G.M. caused by an exponential increase in Insurance Premiums. This meeting is to brainstorm potential solutions to be implemented over 2024 to aim for a neutral budget for 2025. To be held at St Matthew’s, Hastings.

The Season of Lent

During the Season of Lent, we will be offering opportunities to reflect on and consider the Thanksgiving for the Gift of a Child, Baptism if you have not already been baptised, or conditional baptism and renewal of baptism if you have.

This will naturally lead toward Confirmation for those who wish in mid-late-September. If you are keen to explore adult Baptism or Confirmation please join Ven. David van Oeveren our Lenten worship as a starting point.

Sunday 25: Lent 2.

5.30pm. St Matthew’s, Hastings – Church Space – ANGLICAN IDENTITY 2 – How We Got Here. Ven. David van Oeveren.

A project is currently underway to digitise parish registers, this work will ensure their safety, preservation and improve public access to generations of rich public and personal history. The Diocese of Waiapu are seeking volunteers from each parish to help achieve this task.

This work needs the following skills & equipment:

- the ability to read cursive handwriting.
- basic but accurate data entry skills .
- are comfortable with carrying out research on the internet to verify the correct spelling of names, addresses or other such details.
- has a laptop or home computer.
- has time to commit to the task.

The project does not have a time limit. Work at your own place, either from home or you are more than welcome to join the team of others volunteering over at St John's Cathedral.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please get in touch with our Parish Administrator, Tracey on 878 9476 or email: hastingsparish@waiapu.com

Lunch After Church

This is your invitation to join us, on the 4th Sunday after the 10am service. Our next lunch will be on **Sunday 25 February** at Serendipity Café, 1412 Pakowhai Road, Frimley.

Men's Fellowship Lunches

Our next lunch will be on

Wednesday 28 February at 11.45am

St Matthew's Church Hall.

Call Paddy or Richard Bayley on 876 7616 to book or become a volunteer helper.

Ministering with us at St Peter's 3 March 2024

Presider &
Preacher: Warwick Dingle
Prayers: Michelle Thornton
Music: Marilyn Dingle
Reader: Liz Buxton
Powerpoint: Jackie Cottrell
Welcomers: Michael Birch &
Jo Small
Morning tea: Jan Tonkin & Ruth Cunliffe
Readings: Exodus 20:1-17
Ps 19
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

Do you gift by Envelope?

Giving Envelopes for 2024/25 are now available for collection at the back of St Matthew's Church. Please collect yours & help us keep postage costs in check. Come and talk to us about how to get a giving number, to set up an automatic payment or donate via Eftpos.



Call Me Brother

Peter Wilson will be visiting our parish at the end of this month, speaking on the Life, Ministry & Mission of Edric Baker, a Kiwi Doctor working in remote Bangladesh, as recorded in the book 'Call Me Brother' by Kate Day.

Peter will be speaking on Wednesday 28 Feb 11.45am at our Men's Fellowship Lunch (pre booking required, see Pg 3 notice) and then again on Thursday 10.15am following the Eucharist, both appearances are at St Matthew's.

Do come along, if you can.

Diary Dates - Services and Events coming up ...

| Date | Day | Time | Service/Event - February 2024 |
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| 25 | Sun | | Lent 2 |
| | | 3.30-5pm | Deficit Mitigation Brainstorm , St Matthew's, Hastings. |
| | | 5.30pm | St Matthew's, Hastings – Church Space – ANGLICAN IDENTITY 2 – How We Got Here. Ven. David van Oeveren. |
| 27 | Tue | 9.30am | Senior Chef, St Matthew's Church Hall, Hastings. |
| 28 | Wed | 11.45am | Men's Fellowship Lunch, St Matthew's Church Hall, Hastings. |
| | | 7.15pm | Vestry Meeting. |
| 29 Feb-7 Mar | | | Rev'd Alister Hendery on Annual Leave. |
| 29 | Thu | 10.15am | St Matthew's, Hastings. |
| Date | Day | Time | Service/Event - March 2024 |
| 3 | Sun | | Lent 3 - Children's Day |
| | | 8am | St Matthew's, Hastings. |
| | | 10am | Children's Day, St Matthew's, Hastings. See notice Pg 2. |
| | | 10am | St Peter's, Riverslea. |
| | | 11.30am | Children's Day Picnic, St Matthew's Primary School. |
| | | 5.30pm | St Matthew's, Hastings – Church Space – ANGLICAN IDENTITY 3 – Understanding the Ethos. Ven. David van Oeveren. |

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