

## The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

*Encompassing St Matthew's Church, Hastings; St Peter's Church, Riverslea; St Martin's Community Hall, Mayfair; Parkvale, Mahora & Flaxmere*

*Provoking faith in Hastings communities*

*Faith giving Life*

### ***Parish Newsletter***

*for the week commencing Sunday*

*20<sup>th</sup> April 2025*

### **Haere Mai - Welcome**

#### **Services at St Matthew's Church**

200 King Street South, Hastings

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April** - The Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Renewal of Baptismal Promises- **Easter Day**

8.00am Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)  
with The Rev'd Alister Hendery

10.00am Eucharist with hymns  
The Rev'd Alister Hendery & Rev'd Margaret Thompson.

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

10.15am Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)  
with The Rev'd Alister Hendery

#### **Services at St Peter's Church**

1202 Ada Street, Riverslea, Hastings

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April** - The Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Renewal of Baptismal Promises- **Easter Day**

10.00am Eucharist with hymns &  
Baptism of Paikea Wiremu

Crisostomo-White. The Rev'd David van Oeveren



## **WELCOME to our services in the Parish this week.**

Easter Sunday is what we've all been waiting for! The 40 days of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during Lent was in preparation for this day, when our hearts and souls can drink in deeply the culmination of the Pascal mystery: the Resurrection. Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the 'Feast of feasts', the 'Solemnity of solemnities', just as the Eucharist is the 'Sacrament of sacraments'. St. Athanasius calls Easter 'the Great Sunday' and the Eastern Churches call Holy Week 'the Great Week'.

The Liturgy of Water follows in response to the proclamation of the resurrection in scripture. Throughout the church's history, baptism has been intimately linked with Easter. New converts entered into Christ's redeeming death and resurrection at the same time as the Church was celebrating its memorial of those events. It is most appropriate that the Easter Liturgy include Baptism and the Renewal of Baptismal Vows. The natural and proper climax of the whole Christian Pasch is the Eucharist, the culmination of the great three days, in which we are united with our risen Lord, and we enjoy a foretaste of Christ's heavenly banquet at the end of time. We can say that our Easter celebration is the most evangelical, biblical, sacramental and liturgical occasion in the whole of Christian year.

### **'Come & Have Breakfast!'**

9-9.50am, Sunday 4 May

An opportunity for the 8am & 10am congregations to gather over Gospel food. A simple Fish, Hash Browns, Baked Beans, Scrambled Eggs and Bread with a cuppa tea or coffee Breakfast. To help cover the costs of hosting the Breakfast please consider your planned financial giving this week.

### **Special Service**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April:** Low Sunday - Eucharist & Thanksgiving for the Gift of a Child; and Farewell service for The Rev'd Alister Hendery as he completes his ministry in the Parish of Greater Hastings before commencing his new role as Acting-Dean at Waiapu Cathedral.



### **ANZAC DAY - 25 April**

**5.10AM - HASTINGS DAWN  
ANZAC SERVICE.  
HASTINGS CIVIC SQUARE  
CENOTAPH.**

**9AM - GREATER  
HASTINGS ANZAC DAY  
SERVICE AT  
ST MATTHEW'S,  
HASTINGS.**



Around 6.3 million people live in the areas most affected by the earthquake, where homes, infrastructure, and essential services have been destroyed. Myanmar state media reports that 1,644 people have lost their lives, with many more injured.

In the spirit of Lent, a season of reflection and sacrifice, we invite you to contribute both financially and in prayer. This Lent, Anglican Missions is focusing on supporting urgent recovery efforts in Myanmar.

Your support will directly contribute to the health, wellbeing, and rebuilding of affected communities.

**Appeal envelopes will be available soon, or online donations can be made at:**  
<https://anglicanmissions.org.nz/lent/>



## MYANMAR EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

Myanmar has been devastated by a major earthquake. You can support the Anglican response to deliver food, shelter, and medical aid to those in need.

Account: **Anglican Missions Board**

Number: **02-0585-0001796-00**

Reference: **MYANMAR**

Currently, we're only able to receive donations via direct deposit into the account above. If you would like a tax receipt, we require an email from you with your first name, last name, donation amount and the reference "Myanmar".

Please send this to [sharon@anglicanmissions.org.nz](mailto:sharon@anglicanmissions.org.nz) or visit the link for more information and options to donate via credit card.



Learn more: [www.anglicanmissions.org.nz/myanmar](http://www.anglicanmissions.org.nz/myanmar)



Hastings Choral  
presents

# Autumn Glory

Fauré's Requiem  
Chris Artley's Missa Brevis Akarana

**Sunday 04 May 2025 @ 2.00pm**  
**St Matthew's Church**  
 King Street, Hastings

Conductor: **Joe Christensen**  
 Organist: **Max Toth**  
 Violinist: **Alice Sip**  
 Soloists: **Madeleine Anderson**  
**Ray Seymour**

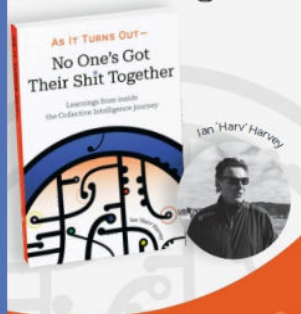
**Tickets**  
 \$30.00 (adult) or \$5.00 (child) available through choir members,  
[hastingschoral@gmail.com](mailto:hastingschoral@gmail.com) or cash sales at the door

## BOOK EVENT

Collective Intelligence



AS IT TURNS OUT—  
 No One's Got  
 Their Shit Together



Cognitive  
 Diversity -  
 what is it and  
 how does it  
 work?

You are invited to join a conversation and learn  
 what prompted the Founder of Collective  
 Intelligence to write this engaging book.

### HASTINGS

- Thursday 1st May, 6:00pm
- St Matthew's Anglican Church
- Corner of 200 King Street South & 207 Lyndon Road West

16 Te Mata Rd, Havelock North, (06) 8777783  
[books@wardini.co.nz](mailto:books@wardini.co.nz)



## Diary Dates ... or “What’s on When?”

Date	Day	Time	Meeting/Event/Activity - April 2025
23	Wednesday	7.15 pm	Greater Hastings VESTRY.
24	Thursday	10.15 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings.
		10.30 am 1.30 pm	Ministry Collective Gathering. Mid-Year Lunch.
25	Friday	5.10 am	Hastings ANZAC Dawn Service. Hastings Civic Square Cenotaph.
		9.00 am	Greater Hastings ANZAC Day Service @ St Matthew’s, Hastings.
		10.00 am	Summerset in the Orchard ANZAC Commemoration.
		10.00 am	Hawke’s Bay Fallen Soldiers Memorial Hospital ANZAC Commemoration.
26	Saturday	4.00 pm	MESSY CHURCH St Martin’s Community Hall, Mayfair.
27	Sunday	8.00 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings.
		10.00 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings. Whole-of-Parish Worship, Low Sunday & Thanksgiving for the Gift of a Child: Luca (bringer of light) Jacobus Viljoen (28/01/2024). Corporate Communion of the Parish: Members of all Parish Organisations are asked to attend. An opportunity to farewell The Rev’d Alister Hendery as he enters into a new season of God’s calling.

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