

# 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*

## ***Parish Newsletter***

*for the week commencing Sunday*

*11<sup>th</sup> May 2025*

**Haere Mai - Welcome**

**Services at St Matthew's Church**  
200 King Street South, Hastings

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May - Easter 4-  
Mother's Day**

8.00am Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

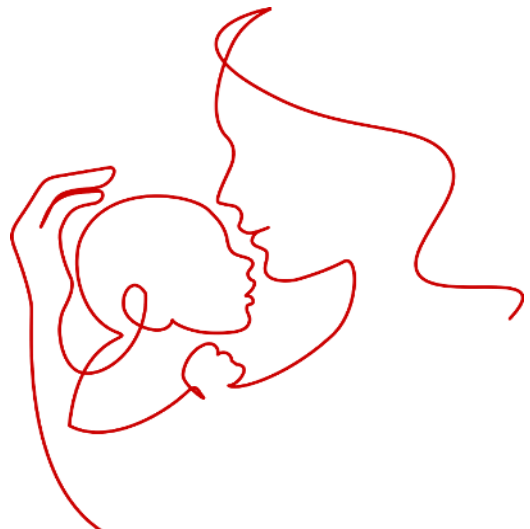
10.00am Eucharist with hymns

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

10.15am Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

**Services at St Peter's Church**  
1202 Ada Street, Riverslea, Hastings

There is no service at St Peter's this morning, please join us at St Matthew's Church for the 'Whole-of-Parish' Eucharist at 10.00am



## A Grace that Calls My Name

Peter is passionate, ever ready to leap into action, even impulsively. He denies that he will deny Jesus, yet he does. Here he is standing on a beach with the resurrected Jesus before him. *"Peter, do you love me?"* Jesus asks. How would we answer? How does Jesus reply? One of the greatest stories of grace, not just a grace that forgives, but a grace that calls by name, a grace that is familiar to me and yet always a surprise.

A surprise because I never deserve it but it is freely given. A surprise because it not only comes with an affirmation of love but also a call to go beyond the words "I love you," to enact them by "feeding my sheep." A love that is more than words: a love that lives love, and loves by serving.



### Hastings Music Society Concert

Join us today for a beautiful music presented by the Hastings Music Society at St Matthew's Church.

**Time - 2.00 pm**

Amazing live music in a stunning setting, don't miss it !

## Flowers for the Church Demonstration & Workshop Friday 6 June, 3pm.

2+ hour demonstration / workshop with The Floriste, Flower Artist, Kerin Greville. For anyone who is interested in ways to arrange church flowers with an eco-friendly twist, come along to a demonstration followed by a hands-on workshop.

Please bring a bucket of long-stemmed flowers / foliage from your garden or foraged if you can. You are also welcome to just come and watch the demonstration if you wish.

There is no individual charge to attend, each participating church is asked to contribute \$30 (to be paid on the day) to cover a takeaway kit that will enable you to set up your church vases for arranging flowers in what they love the most – water!

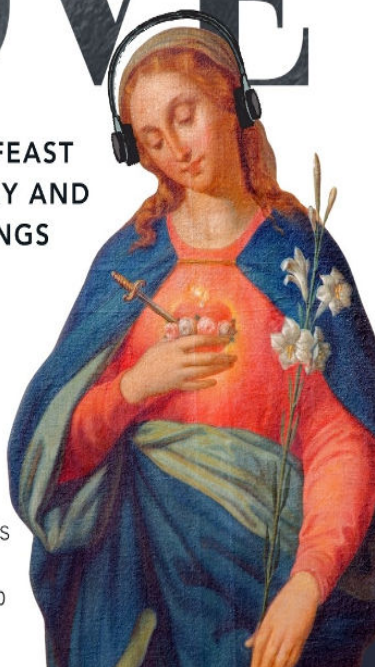
Please RSVP your intention to attend to the Parish Administrator,  
Prasadi, [hastingsparish@waiapu.com](mailto:hastingsparish@waiapu.com)  
| 06 878 9476.

THE LINDEN SINGERS OF HAWKE'S BAY  
*present*

# ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE

...AND A CHORAL FEAST  
OF CONTEMPORARY AND  
ANCIENT LOVE SONGS

SUNDAY 25 MAY 2025 | 2PM  
ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HASTINGS  
DOOR SALES | CASH ONLY  
TICKETS \$25 | CONCESSION \$20



## Parish Administrator - Prasadi's

### Availability for This Term

Parish Administrator is available during  
the following hours for this term:

Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Wednesday: 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Please feel free to get in touch with  
Prasadi during these times for any parish  
related assistance.

## St Matthew's Offertory Receipts Year Ending 31 March 2025

Offertory receipts for the year ending  
31 March 2025 are now available for  
collection at the back of the church.

If you have any queries please  
contact our Parish Recorder,  
Sheryl Hilton, on 02111 90729.

### OP Shop Special Notice !

Date : Saturday 24th May

Time: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: 1120 Willowpark Road North

Come along and enjoy a fantastic  
morning at the OP Shop! As well as our  
usual range of secondhand treasures,  
there'll be home baking, preserves, and  
a sausage sizzle – something for  
everyone!

### Donations Welcome:

If you have goods to donate and need  
them collected, please contact Warwick  
on 877 4639.

### Calling All Bakers:

If you can provide baking or other  
homemade treats for the day, we'd love  
to hear from you – please Contact 877  
4639.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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

Date	Day	Time	Meeting/Event/Activity - May 2025
14	Wednesday	2.00 pm	Eversley Resthome & Village
15	Thursday	10.15 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings.
		10.30 am 1.30 pm	Ministry Collective Gathering. Formation for Mission.
		5.30 pm	St Matthew’s Primary School BoT
15/17	Thu/Sat	All Day	Tikanga Pākehā Conference (TPC) Special Gathering at St Peter’s on Willis, Wellington.
18	Sunday	8.00 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings.
		10.00 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings
		10.00 am	Eucharist at St Peter’s, Riverslea
		11.30 am	Think Tank – Creative Lunch. Return to the original vision.
21	Wednesday	3.30 pm	WARDENS Meeting
		4.30 pm	Finance, Stewardship & Bequests Sub-Committee.
22	Thursday	10.15 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings.
23	Friday	10.00 am	Colwyn House Lifecare
		1.40 pm	School Eucharist
23/24	Fri/Sat	5.00 pm	LINDEN SINGERS Rehearsals
24	Saturday	8.00 am 12.00 pm	Op Shop Plus Special @ St Martin’s Community Hall.
25	Sunday	8.00 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings.
		10.00 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings
		10.00 am	Eucharist at St Peter’s, Riverslea
		2.00 pm	LINDEN SINGERS Concert.

### The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

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