



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

25th May 2025

Haere Mai - Welcome

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

Sunday 25th May - Sunday Service

8.00am Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)
10.00am Eucharist with hymns

Thursday 29th May

10.15am Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

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

Sunday 25th May - Sunday Service

10.00 Eucharist



Welcome to our services in the Parish this week.

The Feast of the Ascension is on Thursday 29 May. This is then soon followed by Pentecost which we celebrate on Sunday 8 June, please come in red, orange and yellow colours.

The early church wanted to savour the festival of Easter, and made it last for fifty days. That encouraged them to follow Luke's account of events, in which the lordship of Christ is proclaimed by the description of his ascension in glory to reign over all things. The message of the Ascension is the exaltation of Christ.

The great fifty days of Easter come to an end with the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the church, and the empowering of the church in its witness to the good news. It is a crucial part of the Easter story itself, as the risen Christ continues his gracious work in and through us and all his faithful people.

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



Hastings Music Society Concert

Join us every 2nd Sunday for 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 !

Parish Lunch Today

4th Sunday Parish Lunch, 12 noon,
at Serendipity Café
1412 Pakowhai Road, Hastings
Please feel free to join with us
for lunch each 4th Sunday.
Contact Paddy and Richard Bayley,
8767616 for more information.



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
| 06 878 9476.



THINKING ABOUT FOSTER PARENTING?



Please RSVP to Hayley Sissons 021 405359 or hawkesbay@ohf.org.nz
by 26th May



Understanding Change, Loss and Grief a Professional Development Seminar

Change and loss are an integral part of life, yet their influence is not generally well understood. In this seminar the broad range of changes and losses that can occur in life is recognised. Participants are given the opportunity to explore how change, loss, grief, and behaviour are inextricably linked. This is the key to making sense of change and loss experiences.

Using an educational approach, participants will be invited to deepen their general understanding of the nature and impact of change, loss and grief on their lives or in their workplaces.

DATE: Monday 30th June 2025

TIME: 9.00am – 12.00pm

VENUE: The Octogen at Taradale Anglican Church – 23 Puketapu Road, Taradale 4112

COST: \$50 per person (includes tea/coffee and workbook)

TO REGISTER email: gtghawkesbay@acw.org.nz

Please provide: name, contact number, name of organisation and email address.
(Payment details will be sent once registered).

RSVP: 16th June 2025

SEMINAR OUTCOMES: In this seminar participants will have the opportunity to

- Examine the meaning of grief
- Review the range of changes and losses experienced in life
- Reflect on the relationship between change, loss grief and behaviour
- Understand grief reactions and factors that influence them
- Identify different styles of grieving
- Explore strategies of empowerment, including the role of choice in the grief journey and the importance of networks of support.

Diary Dates ... or “What’s on When?”

Date	Day	Time	Meeting/Event/Activity - May & June 2025
28	Wednesday	7.15 pm	Greater Hastings VESTRY Sub-Committees & Site Visits
29	Thursday	All Day	Ascension Day
		10.15 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings
		11.15 am	Ministry Team Gathering. Review July, August & September R-Evolving Diary
		2.00 pm	Summerset in the Orchard
29/2	Fri/ Mon	All Day	King’s Birthday Weekend
31	Jun/Aug	All Day	Pentecost – Trinity Parish Magazine available
	Saturday	4.00 pm	MESSY CHURCH St Martin’s Community Hall, Mayfair
1	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	Monday	All Day	King’s Birthday Weekend
4	Wednesday	2.00 pm	Gracelands Resthome & Village
		4.30 pm	Building & Property Maintenance Sub-Committee
5	Thursday	All Day	World Environment Day
		10.15 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings
6	Friday	10.00 am	Colwyn House Lifecare
		1.40 pm	School Eucharist
		3.00 pm	Flowers for the Church, 2+ hour demonstration /workshop with The Floriste, Flower Artist, Kerin Greville
7	Saturday	9.30 am	Safeguarding Training – Level 1. All Saints’ Church, Taradale
8	Sunday	8.00 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings.- The Day of PENTECOST / Whitsunday
		10.00 am	Eucharist at St Matthew’s, Hastings,Whole-of-Parish Worship: Corporate Communion @ St Matthew’s, Hastings
		1.00 pm	Safeguarding Training – Level 2. All Saints’ Church, Taradale
		2.00 pm	Hastings Music Society Concert at St Matthew’s

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