

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

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Parish Newsletter

for the week commencing Sunday, 14th September 2025

Sunday Service

Haere Mai - Welcome

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

**Today-Sunday 14th September -
Ordinary Sunday Service**

8.00am - Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

10.00am - Eucharist with hymns

Thursday 18th September

10.15am - Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

**Next Sunday 21st September -
Patronal Festival of St.**

**Matthews Apostle, Evangelist -
Sunday Service**

8.00am - Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

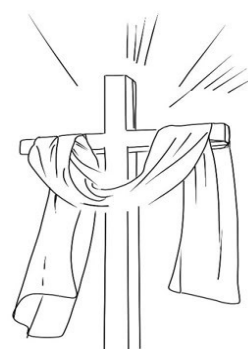
10.00am - Eucharist with hymns

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

**No service at St Peter's today. The
whole parish will gather for a
combined Eucharist at St Matthew's
Church at 10:00am.**

**Next Sunday 21st September -
Sunday Service**

10.00am - Eucharist



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK !!!

Between now and Advent 1, Sunday 30 November, we as a Parish have a number of significant and exciting events to be a part of.

The Ministry Team will meet this week to finalise these, and what shape they will take this year with the resources that we have.

Next week we will put out a 'Save these Dates' to provide you with advance warning.

The events we will be exploring are: Blessing of the Animals; The Week of Prayer for World Peace; how we celebrate All Saints' & All Souls'; & Remembrance Sunday.

All of these and other events that the Ministry Team will bring to the table allow us to create exciting, dynamic, and interactive opportunities for us all to participate.

But for now, save 10am, Sunday 12 October, as we pray for the Israel & Palestine conflict, as we pray for Hope for the Holy Land, as we begin The Week of Prayer for World Peace.

Advance Notices !!

Sunday 21st September : Patronal Festival of St Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Join us at 10:00am at St Matthew's Church as we celebrate this special feast day together.

Sunday 5th October : Blessing of the Animals at 10:00am in St Matthew's Church, we welcome "All Creatures Great & Small" for a joyful service of blessing - a celebration of the love we share with our pets and the people

HASTINGS MUSIC SOCIETY CONCERT

**Sunday 14th September, 2.00pm
at St Matthew's Church**

Enjoy an afternoon of beautiful
music featuring musicians,
vocalists, ensembles, and Beverley
Heard.

\$5.00 entry at the door / children free

Come along and support our
vibrant musical community.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Pastoral Care & Prayer Support

As many parishioners are aware, we have experienced some major changes with personnel and ministries in recent months. We previously had two full-time stipendiary priests with four retired non-stipendiary clergy available to undertake various ministry roles in the Parish; we now have the equivalent of one-and-a-half roles.

As a result, we are currently exploring and redistributing resources and responsibilities, being aware that we cannot continue covering everything the same as in the past.

The ministry of all the baptised is to love and care for one another, and recognising that, the Wardens and Clergy ask that if you, or someone you know, become unwell, or require Home Communion, or a residential care/rest-home visit, please, PLEASE, pass the information direct (in confidence) to Prasadi in the Parish Office, or contact the Clergy, or a Warden.

If you are hospitalised, or know of a parishioner in hospital, your first point of contact for Pastoral Care is the Hospital Chaplain (you become their 'parishioner' whilst in hospital); but if you wish to have a visit from one of the Greater Hastings Parish Clergy, please let us know.

If you have a request for prayer support (no specific details required), please phone the Prayer Chain coordinators:

Liz: 0210 266 6753;

or Jean: 027 878 3601 / 06 8783601

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2025 Blossom Fest

ALL FREE



BLOSSOM celebrating 75 years PARADE

Hastings Blossom Parade, carnival rides, live performances, family fun zone, Picky play zone.

SATURDAY 20 SEPT 10AM-4PM

hastingsblossomfest.co.nz

A HERETAUNGA HASTINGS 2025 EVENT

Diary Dates ... or “What’s on When?”

| Date | Day | Time | Meeting/Event/Activity - September 2025 |
|----------|---------------------|-------------------|---|
| 15 21 | Monday Sunday | | Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 2025. |
| 16 18 | Tuesday Thursday | | St Matthew’s Primary School Production. |
| 17 | Wednesday | 3.30pm | WARDENS Meeting |
| 17 | Wednesday | 4.30pm | Finance, Stewardship & Bequests Sub-Committee. |
| 18 | Thursday | 10.15am | Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel |
| 18 | Thursday | 10.30am 1.30pm | Ministry Collective Gathering. Cultural Response vs Compromise. |
| 19 | Friday | 2.00pm | End of Term School Assembly. |
| 19 | Friday | | Term 3 ends |
| 20 | Saturday | 1.00pm | Hastings Blossom Festival Parade |
| 21 | Sunday | 8.00am 10.00am | Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel Eucharist with hymns - St Matthew’s and St Peter’s Churches |
| 24 | Wednesday | 7.15pm | Greater Hastings VESTRY Sub-Committees & Site Visits |
| 25 | Thursday | 10.15am | Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel |
| 25 | Thursday | 2.00pm | Summerset in the Orchard |
| 28 | Sunday | 8.00am 10.00am | Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel Eucharist with hymns - St Matthew’s and St Peter’s Churches |

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