

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, 21st September 2025

Sunday Service

Haere Mai - Welcome

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

Today-Sunday 21st September-
Patronal Festival of St.
Matthews Apostle, Evangelist -
Sunday Service

8.00am - Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

10.00am - Eucharist with hymns

Thursday 25th September

10.15am - Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

Next Sunday 28th September-
Sunday Service

8.00am - Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

10.00am - Eucharist with hymns



Services at St Peter's Church

1202 Ada Street, Riverslea,
Hastings

Today-Sunday 21st
September-Sunday
Service

10.00am - Eucharist

Next Sunday 28th
September-Sunday
Service

10.00am - Eucharist

Kia Ora...

Over the next couple of months we have some amazing things happening in the Parish, and we want you to be a part of them. You are welcome and wanted here!

4 October. Francis of Assisi, Friar, 1226.

Sunday 5 October : Feast of St Francis of Assisi, Friar, 1226. 10am. St Matthew's, Hastings. Blessing of the Animals: All Creatures Great & Small; for the love of Pets & their People. Morning Prayer @ St Matthew's, Hastings. This annual service occurs the Sunday closest to 4 October, when the church honours St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals & creation. Bring your pets as we celebrate the love we share. Come this Sunday!

Sunday 12 October: The Week of Prayer for World Peace. 10am. Whole-of-Parish Worship: Corporate Communion @ St Matthew's, Hastings. Prayer for the Israel & Palestine conflict – Prayer for Hope for the Holy Land: A call to take action to prevent the humanitarian disasters unfolding in the Holy Land & end suffering in Gaza.

Whilst this is a week – we are making it a month bookending with this and **Saturday 1 November!**

Saturday 1 November, 3pm. The Week of Prayer for World Peace – A Hawke's Bay Interfaith Council Event @ St Matthew's.

Saturday 22 November, 9am – 12pm. LET'S DO IT TOGETHER! Tidy & Clean inside & outside St Matthew's in preparation for Advent, Christmas & Epiphany!

Sunday 23 November : The Reign of Christ / Christ the King – Stir-Up Sunday. 10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Sunday 30 November: Advent 1 – Hope / The Patriarchs = Blessing of Advent Wreathes. 10am. St Matthew's, Hastings. Blessing of the Advent Wreath. Whole-of-Parish Worship: Corporate Communion @ St Matthew's, Hastings.


This is just the 'Save the Dates' highlights of what is coming up.

We would love to see you at Church this Sunday.

DON'T FORGET DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

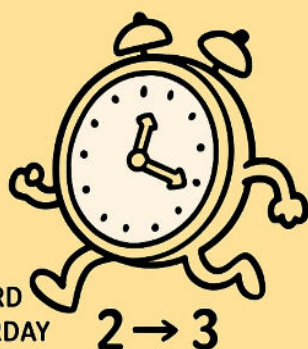
BEGINS THIS SUNDAY,
28 SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 2:00am,
NEW ZEALAND DAYLIGHT TIME
(NZDT).

THAT MEANS:

 More sunshine
in the evenings

 Brighter spring
days

REMEMBER TO SET
YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD
BEFORE BED ON SATURDAY
NIGHT SO YOU'RE RIGHT
ON TIME SUNDAY MORNING.



Mai Kai food box, cooking and growing workshops are coming to Mayfair!

Following more than six months of successful piloting in Napier, Mai Kai is now scaling up and recruiting members for new sessions in both Hastings and Napier. Mai Kai will be operating out of St Martins Hall on Willowpark Road every second Friday starting end of September.

How it works

Every two weeks, Mai Kai members receive a grocery list, make their selections, and prepare their own jars, containers, and packaging (we all support the environment).

Accessibility and value

Mai Kai believes in universal access to nutritious kai. To ensure inclusivity, we operate a tiered payment system based on members' circumstances.

For more information, including to see how Mai Kai runs, go onto our website www.maikai.nz or email or call admin@maikai.nz 022 589 5523



Understanding Change, Loss and Grief a Professional Development Seminar

Change and loss are an integral part of life, yet the impacts are not generally understood or talked about.

In this seminar we will examine the meaning of grief, review the wide range of experiences, look at the relationship between change, loss, grief, and behaviour, understand grief reactions and different styles of grieving, explore empowerment strategies and the importance of networks of support.

Using an educational approach, you will be invited to deepen your general understanding of change, loss and grief and the impact it has on your lives, your whānau and the workplace.

DATE: October 21st, 2025

TIME: 1.00pm – 4.00pm

VENUE: St Lukes Anglican Church, 24 Te Mata Rd, Havelock North

COST: \$50 per person

TO REGISTER EMAIL: gtghawkesbay@acw.org.nz

tell us your name, contact number, email and organisation
(payment info will be sent once registered)

RSVP: 7th October 2025

The whole seminar has been informative; I have more understanding of the different processes and how people react to these – participant feedback

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In Change We Grow – Reconnecting Together

ā tātou kai JOIN MAI KAI Fresh organic kai at a price that works for you.

COMMUNITY POWERED GROCERY BOXES PACKED
WITH SEASONAL, NUTRIENT-RICH, ORGANIC
LOCAL KAI!

**As an MSD registered beneficiary, you can get
your fortnightly grocery box for as low as \$50
(single) or \$100 (Whānau) *limited spots***



SCAN ME!!!

Contact us to join
the Mai Kai Whānau!

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Diary Dates ... or “What’s on When?”

Date	Day	Time	Meeting/Event/Activity - September /October 2025
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
1	Wednesday	2.00pm	Gracelands Resthome & Village
1	Wednesday	4.30pm	Building & Property Maintenance Sub-Committee
2	Thursday	10.15am	Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel
2	Thursday	11.15am	Ministry Team Gathering
4	Saturday		Francis of Assisi, Friar, 1226.
5	Sunday	8.00am	Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel
5	Sunday	10.00am	Blessing of the Animals All Creatures Great & Small; for the love of Pets & their People. Morning Prayer @ St Matthew's, Hastings Eucharist - St Peter’s Church
6	Monday		The Rev’d Christine Scott Ordination to the Priesthood at St Luke’s, Rotorua. 19 Years.
6	Monday		Term 4 Begins
8	Wednesday	2.00pm	Eversley Resthome & Village
9	Thursday	10.15am	Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel
10	Friday	10.00am	Colwyn House Lifecare
10	Friday	1.40pm	School Eucharist

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