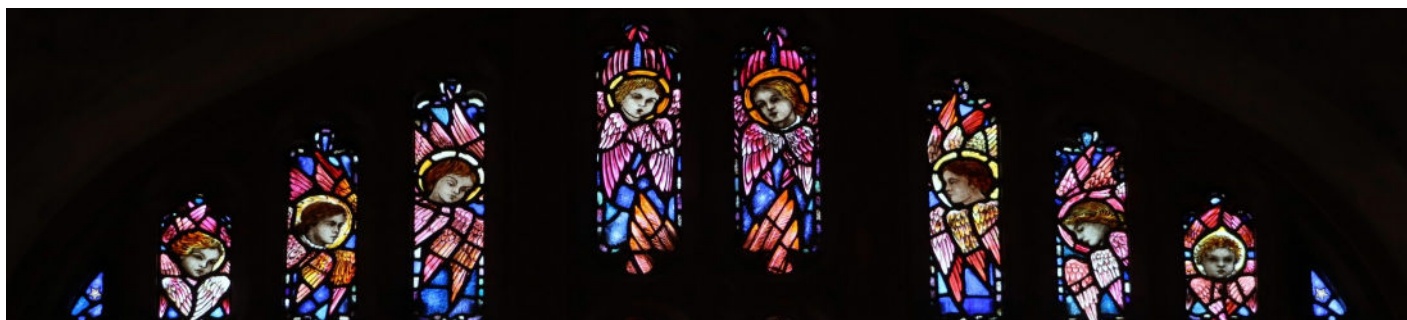


The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

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, 9th November 2025

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Haere Mai - Welcome

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

Today- Sunday 9th November-
Remembrance Sunday

8.00am - Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

10.00am - Whole-of-Parish

Eucharist with Hymns

Thursday 13th November

10.15am - Eucharist (*Lady Chapel*)

Next Sunday 16th November-The
Ordinary 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 9th November-
There will be no service at St
Peter's Church. Please join us at St
Matthew's Church for the Whole
-of-Parish Eucharist at 10:00am.

Next Sunday 16th November-
Ordinary Sunday Service

10.00am - Eucharist



Kia Ora..

After the very successful Interfaith service, held at St Matthews last Saturday, I came home the banging and hiss of fireworks. These fireworks commemorate the failed attempt to overthrow the protestant English Government and replace it with a Catholic monarch.

This is also the week in which we remember the sacking of the Gospel led pacifist Taranaki village, Parihaka

When the missionary Riemenschneider announced, on his arrival in Taranaki, in 1846, that he came in peace, bringing God's word, Te Whiti Rongomau, the architect and leader of Parihaka, replied, "We know that word and greet you in God's peace." Te Whiti and his fellow leader Tohu Kākahi, had set up, that is rebuilt, a unique community. But, the settler appetite for fertile land knew no boundaries and on the 5th November 1881, colonial troops led by Native Minister John Bryce entered the settlement .

Over the following two weeks, the troops destroyed homes, confiscated livestock, and arrested about 1,600 people, including the leaders Te Whiti o Rongomai and Tohu Kākahi who were imprisoned in dreadful conditions in Dunedin.

So, as the crackers and rockets bang out in your neighbourhood, commemorate not the long forgotten misunderstood act of treason, but the Christian pacifist village in Taranaki, where the children went out singing hymns and offering bread to the advancing soldiers.

Rev'd Jenny Chalmers



Who can Participate Senior Chef?

Anyone 60 & Over. You will need to be mobile enough to stand for 30 minutes preparing food & handle a knife safely. If you have mobility issues or dietary issues, please let us know when you enrol for our next Senior Chef beginning Monday 2 February.

When Does Senior Chef Run?

Most Classes are held in the morning from 9.30 am to 12.30pm for 9 consecutive weeks. Our Senior chef course begins Monday 2 February.

How do I enrol for Senior Chef?

Spaces are limited to 8–12 participants per class to ensure a friendly and supportive learning experience. A waiting list is available once classes are full.

You can enrol by simply contacting hastingsparish@waiapu.com or phone us on 06 8789476

Email us your name & phone number we will get back to you.

Hurry- spots are limited !!

THE LINDEN SINGERS OF HAWKE'S BAY
present



AN
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FOR
WONDER

SONGS MYSTICAL AND MODERN
WITH CONDUCTOR, JANE PIERARD

SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER | 2PM
SAINT MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HASTINGS
DOOR SALES/CASH ONLY | \$25 | CONCESSION \$20

Year 8 School Leavers Bible

It is that time of the year when our St Matthew's Primary School prepares to farewell the Year 8 students.

They are off to High School with a great education and a faith base to hold onto.

We have a tradition as a Parish of gifting a Bible to each leaver.

The Bible Society have provided a wonderful deal on 20 Bibles for our students. If 20 parishioners gifted \$10 we would cover this cost.

Your donation can be made in a labelled envelope or simply an additional \$10 in your giving.

Thank You.

Save the Dates !!

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

Sunday 23: 1.30pm. Inegal – Acoustic Baroque Music–Fringe In The 'Stings – in The Lady Chapel.

Sunday 30: Advent 1 – Hope / The Patriarchs = Blessing of Advent Wreathes. 9am. Advent Study focussing on the key Advent figure of John the Baptist, Forerunner – Prophet – Witness.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings. Blessing of the Advent Wreath. Whole-of-Parish Worship Corporate Communion @ St Matthew's, Hastings. The Rev'd David van Oeveren.

2pm. Hastings Choral Society Concert – A Fantasia of Favourites.

Everyone welcome to be part of it!!

- Important Notice for Children -

As you come into church, please ask the sidespeople for an activity bag. Inside you'll find a Bible story, coloured pencils, a picture to colour, stickers, and paper. You may take everything home except the bag and the pencils.

Enjoy being in church!

Diary Dates ... or “What’s on When?”

Date	Day	Time	Meeting/Event/Activity - November 2025
9	Sunday	2.00pm	Hastings Music Society Concert at St Matthew’s.
11	Tuesday		Armistice / Remembrance Day
12	Wednesday	2.00pm	Eversley Resthome & Village
13	Thursday	10.15am	Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel
13	Thursday	11.15am	Ministry Team Gathering
16	Sunday		St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist. (Eastern Church).
16	Sunday	8.00am 10.00am	Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel Eucharist with hymns - St Matthew’s & St Peter’s
16	Sunday	11.30am	Think Tank
19	Wednesday	3.00pm	WARDENS Meeting
19	Wednesday	4.30pm	Finance, Stewardship & Bequests Sub-Committee.
20	Thursday	10.15am	Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel
20	Thursday	10.00am 1.30pm	Ministry Collective Gathering
21	Friday	10.00am	Colwyn House Lifecare
21	Friday	1.40pm	School Eucharist
22	Saturday	9.00am 12.00pm	LET’S DO IT TOGETHER! Tidy & Clean inside & outside St Matthew’s in preparation for Advent, Christmas & Epiphany!
23	Sunday	8.00am 10.00am	Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel Eucharist with hymns - St Matthew’s & St Peter’s
23	Sunday	12.00pm	Café Lunch @ Serendipity Café, 1412 Pakowhai Road, Frimley, Hastings 4120
23	Sunday	1.30pm	Inegal – Acoustic Baroque Music – Fringe In The 'Stings – in The Lady Chapel @ St Matthew’s.
26	Wednesday	7.15pm	Greater Hastings VESTRY Sub-Committees & Site Visits.
27	Thursday	10.15am	Eucharist - St Matthew’s Lady Chapel

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