

## A Prayer for Each Day:

Almighty God, our heavenly father, giver of every good gift: be pleased to hear the prayers of Your people, and send to us as the vicar of this parish a person after Your own heart who will faithfully and wisely exercise the Cure of Souls and bring many people to the joys of Your eternal kingdom, for the good of Your Church and the glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

July 4, 2016

Dear Vicar

Thank you for your reminder about applying for this year's tax rebate. This'll be the 7<sup>th</sup> year I've applied since it was suggested. (I'd never sent of the form before!)

The first year I was contributing \$10 a week and received over \$170 rebate that I added through my envelope to the church collection. The next year the rebate was \$228; and so it's increased gradually each year once the rebate was added into my annual giving.

Last year my annual giving was half as much again as I was giving 6 years ago and I'm actually still giving that same \$10 a week out of my pension!

I'm really delighted to be able to contribute to my church at this annual increase.

Kind regards

**Recycling the Tax Rebate**

## THIS WEEK: 7 - 14 August 2016

Tue: Vicar's Rest Day  
5.30-7pm Heritage Collective meets at the Civic Centre.  
Wed: 9am-4pm CAIRA PD Day Bontany  
9:30-12 noon Selwyn Group, Hall  
MT/Hostess - Raewyn Struthers  
Thurs: Office Attended 9am to 12noon  
10am Holy Communion (1662)  
Saint Georges Chapel (Vicar)  
Bible Study 2pm at 314 Richmond St.  
Fri: Office Attended 9am to 12noon.  
Sun: 9:30am at Saint Georges, NZ Eucharist  
*Theme - Restore Us*

Presider :Graham Colley  
Speaker: Lucette Dillon,



### Readings:

**Isaiah 5 v 1-7** Denise Norris  
**Luke 12 v 49-56** Paul Jennings  
**Hebrews 11 v 29-56** Matt/Anna Juby

Intercessor: Fiona Harden  
Liturgist: Brenda Deed  
Server: Margaret MacKay

**Music Ministry:** Stuart du Preez  
**Welcome Team:** Robin Plummer, Alex Juby, Winnie Sheehan  
**Morning Tea:** Margaret Smith  
**Sanctuary Guild:** Judy Babe, Fiona Harden

**Evacuation Procedures** - In the event of a fire, listen to the presiding team & Welcomers; leave by nearest, safest exit & assemble on lawn in front of Hospital & wait for "all clear". NOTE THE EXIT NEAREST YOUR SEAT. TOILETS are in the Hall, next door.

## INSPIRE ROSTER

Mon 8th: Del Patten, Judy Bronlund  
Tue 9th: Anne Johnson, David Cooper  
Wed 10th: Gael Goodall, Liz McCracken  
Thur 11th: Robin Plummer, Natalie Geary  
Fri 12th: Foe Fawcett, Raewyn Struthers  
Sat 13th: Kate Jones

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*Thames Anglican parish seeks an inclusive ministry of serving Christ in prayer, action and worship.*

**If you are a visitor to the Parish, please let the sidesperson know your name.**

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A CUP OF TEA IN THE CHURCH AFTER THE 9:30am SERVICE.**

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# Welcome to the Thames Anglican Church

Are we ready?



*Tikanga Pakeha partner church in the three strand Anglican Church in Aotearoa/ New Zealand/Pacifica*

## Pentecost 12 Sunday 7 August 2016

**Service:** 9:30am at Saint Georges - NZ Eucharist

**Theme:** *Living into the Promise*

**Sentence:** Praise the Lord, his people; he fills you with the finest of the wheat.  
*Psalm 148.12,14*

## Call to worship

Come, family of God.  
Gather in God, O faithful ones.  
**The heavens declare God's righteousness.**

Come, brothers and sisters in Christ.  
Gather in God, O faithful ones.  
**The heavens declare God's righteousness.**

Come, you of every age.  
Gather in God, O faithful ones.  
**The heavens declare God's righteousness.**

## Opening Prayer

Faithful God,  
here in the middle of a season,  
strengthen our spirits.  
May we tap into the strong root of faith  
and trust your love and grace now  
and into the future that is yet to be revealed.  
**Amen.**



## Saint Georges Fellowship

Meets

**Tuesday 16 August  
1:30 pm**

*Meet in the church hall.*

## Today's Reflection

The scripture readings this week challenge us to seize the day, to be ready for action and service, and to trust God into the future. We give thanks for our ancestors in faith who continue to guide us in this way. What does it mean to be "dressed for action" - to live as people of faith, here and now? What does your vision of God's promised reign call you to do as you live into the promise?

## PS 262 Make me a channel of your peace

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;  
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness, only light,  
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

O, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving to all that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

*Sebastian Temple, based on Prayer of St Francis  
Arr. Andrew Moore*

## Prayer of Confession

God of our past, present, and future,  
we plant our faith in hope  
for a future that is yet to be seen.  
When we want it all now  
may we find the realm of love growing  
piece by piece,  
word by word,  
act by act.

Forgive our impatience, O God.

When we want immediate results  
remind us of the slow unfolding of faith  
day by day,  
prayer by prayer,  
generation to generation.

Forgive our impatience, O God. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

Like an oak, faith grows slowly.  
As roots stretch down,  
so faith grounds itself in your living.  
As branches and leaves provide life,  
so your faith produces the fruit of love  
and justice.

✠ Through God's forgiveness,  
continue to grow in faith.  
Secure in the love of God, we endure. Amen

## Sentence

Praise the Lord, his people; he fills you with the  
finest of the wheat. *Psalm 148.12,14*

## Collect

God our Thief,  
you steal from us  
our dead complacent hearts  
and kindle a new flame:  
take from our hands  
the burden of worthless things,  
and make them ready  
to receive a greater gift:  
the love of a Servant King;  
through Jesus Christ,  
the Son of Man. Amen.

## AA 126 Spirit who broods

1. Spirit who broods,  
Spirit who sings,  
mothering bird,  
peace in your wings,

**Refrain:**  
*come from within, come, make us one  
come and renew the face of the earth*

2. Spirit of truth,  
laser and light,  
searching the path,  
seeking the right,

3. Spirit of love,  
larger than law,  
quick to forgive,  
keeping no score,

4. Spirit of hope  
never subdued,  
Spirit of God,  
Spirit of Good,



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## AM 395 Lord of all power

1. Lord of all power, I give you my will,  
in joyful obedience, your tasks to fulfil.  
Your bondage is freedom, your service is song,  
and, held in your keeping, my weakness is strong.
2. Lord of all wisdom, I give you my mind,  
rich truth that surpasses man's knowledge to find.  
What eye has not seen and what ear has not heard  
is taught by your Spirit and shines from your Word.
3. Lord of all bounty, I give you my heart;  
I praise and adore you for all you impart;  
your love to inspire me, your counsel to guide,  
your presence to cheer me, whatever betide.
4. Lord of all being, I give you my all;  
if e'er I disown you I stumble and fall;  
but, sworn in glad service your word to obey,  
I walk in your freedom to the end of the way.

Jack C Winslow

The next Parish Service Roster has been  
emailed to all those on the various duties  
over the next 10 weeks. A limited number of  
hard copies are available.

## HEALING PRAYERS @ SAINT GEORGES

One of the regular Prayer Ministries that we  
provide at Saint Georges is a **Laying on of  
Hands with Prayer** during the administration of  
communion at the 9.30am service. This happens  
in the Chapel behind the main Altar. There's also  
a prayer and anointing service at the 10am  
service the third Thursday in the month.  
Prayer with laying on of hands and anointing  
is also an aspect of home communions.

## About People

Finlay Clement's second grandchild arrived last  
Monday — a daughter for Naomi and her partner  
at Wellington. Off to meet her this week! **Kelvin  
Jones** marked his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday (5th August) at the  
Selwyn Group this past week. As well as acting as  
'Parish banker' Kelvin looks after the financial and  
record-keeping aspects of the Selwyn Group. **Kate  
Jones** was home Thursday after successful day  
surgery at Waikato Hospital.



@ next Sunday's service >

## Today's Readings & Ministers

- First Testament: **Isaiah 1 v 1, 10-20**  
*A rebellious nation* Reader: Max Baggaley
- Gospel: **Luke 12 v 32-40**  
*Be prepared* Reader: Winnie Sheehan
- Presider and Preacher: The Vicar
- Intercessions: Brenda Deed  
then to **page 418** in NZ Prayer Book
- Liturgist: Sue Lewis-O'Halloran  
Server: Kate Sayer
- After Communion: **Hebrews 11 v 1-3, 8-16**  
*Faith* Reader: Margaret Smith
- Music Ministry:** John Mounsey
- Welcome Team:** Max & Vivienne Baggaley,  
Denise Norris, Bob Cox, Alex Juby
- Morning Tea:** Margaret MacKay
- Sanctuary Guild:** Margaret MacKay,  
Denise Norris

V. Lord our God:  
R. we believe and trust in you.

## NJ 132 Sound on the Trumpet

John Mcnell

**Refrain:**

*Sound on the trumpet, call to the people,  
sing your new song.  
Our bridegroom's coming, it won't be long.  
Break out the banners, join in the dancing,  
no time for gloom.  
Prepare the banquet he's coming soon.*

1. If you're one of God's people,  
rejoice in praise and song.  
Come lift up your hearts before him,  
and give your voices in praise and song.
2. Go out with tears and weeping  
to bring the harvest home.  
It's time for the joy of reaping,  
in joy the sheaves now are coming home.



## GUEST SPEAKER 14th Save the Children Fund

At next Sunday's service the  
guest speaker will be Lucette

Dillon, She worked for 1 year in Phnom  
Penh in Cambodia for World Vision,  
during 2015 She has since set up her own  
Foundation called Quan Am Foundation  
supporting children in Vietnam and  
Cambodia.

The main places she finds sponsorship for  
are orphanages and charity schools.

Many of these children suffer from mental  
and physical disabilities caused by the  
effects of Agent Orange.

Lucette is a good friend of Ien and  
Stephen Chu's son & lives in Auckland.

## Sending Forth

Full of faith,  
**we will work together for justice.**  
Full of faith,  
**we will have hope for the future.**  
Full of faith,  
**we will live together in peace.**  
Full of faith,  
**we will move together into the world.**  
Full of faith,  
**we will follow Jesus together.**  
Amen.