

Olive Danby, who died 17 days ago, was a long time parishioner and volunteer in the parish. She served on the *In Spire* team, was enrolling member for the Mothers' Union group; a welcome, a member of the Sanctuary Guild team over many of the 70 years that she lived in Thames. Married to Walter, she supported him in the years that he was Peoples' Churchwarden, Parish Recorder and Treasurer for the Parish. She moved to Richmond Villas, half a decade ago —(Walter died in 2003) and to Tararu Home after a fall and cracked hip that didn't mend eighteen months ago. She's recently been in the Tararu Hospital. Apart from Rex, her family now live well away from Thames.

David Cooper had a birthday last Friday week and is waiting on minor surgery. **Leigh Christie** is also waiting on results and tests and expects the possibility of surgery on a knee injury. In the mean time he and Phillipa are taking leave from their monthly *In Spire* slot on that roster. **Ron Frisken** has had a stint in hospital last month.

THIS WEEK: 2 - 9 August 2015

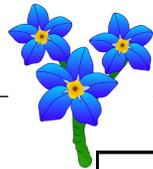
Mon: Vicar's Rest Day
 Wed: 9:30-12 noon Selwyn Group, Hall MT/Hostess - Jenny
 6pm Archdeaconry meeting organised by the Diocesan Secretariat—P'Kohe
 Thurs: Office Attended 9am to 12noon
 10am Holy Communion (1662)
 Saint Georges Chapel (Graham)
 2pm Weekly Bible Study Group at 3 Wakatere Place, Totara Palms.
 Fri: Office Attended 9am to 12noon.
 Sun: 9:30am at Saint Georges, NZ Eucharist
Theme - Shaping Community
Followed by FORUM on Welcoming Ministries — Chapel area.

Presider & Preacher: Graham Colley

Readings:
2 Samuel 18 v 5-9, 15 Lois Robinson
John 6 v 35, 41-51 Percy Golding
Ephesians 4 v 25 - 5 v 2 George Haffenden

Intercessor: Rae Hinton
 Liturgist: Fiona Harden
 Server: Jessica Juby

Music Ministry: Finlay Clements
Welcome Team: Eva Golding, Des Herbert, Winnie Sheehan
Morning Tea: Rae Hinton
Sanctuary Guild: Fiona Harden, Sue Gwynne



INSPIRE ROSTER

Mon 3rd: Helen White, Bob & Diana Cox
 Tue 4th: Eva/Percy Golding, Rosemary Levesque
 Wed 5th: Claire Twentyman, Colley
 Thur 6th: V & M Gaggaley, Marcia Sowman
 Fri 7th: Colleen Jones, Malcolm Thomas
 Sat 8th: Colleen Jones

Welcome

To The



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

Sunday 2015 - 2 August

Service: 9:30am at Saint Georges - NZ Eucharist
Theme: *Bread of Life*
Sentence: Jesus says: I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst. *John 6 v 35*

Call to worship

Hungry for meaning, acceptance, and love,
we gather within the mystery of God.

Yearning for greater peace and equity,
we gather within the friendship of Christ.

Open to renewed generosity and compassion,
we gather within the enfolding of the Holy Spirit.

Opening Prayer

Generous Giver of Life, you, who with each sunrise, breaks open a love that renews and sustains all of creation,
come to us in this place, creating a renewed hunger

for generous lives of spirit and human goodness.
 For it is in the name of Jesus, our bread of life, that we ask.
Amen.

"I am the Bread of Life. Whoever comes to Me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in Me will never be thirsty."

John 6:35

AA19 Church of the living Christ

1. Church of the living Christ, people of Easter Faith, speak to the man who walks free from the dark of death! The Christ who burst the tomb apart comes questioning the Church's heart
2. No use old wineskins now, new wine is here to stay: no patching up old schemes new patches tea away, old gear, old concepts have no place where Christ's own presence sets the pace.
3. Women and men of God, come, as one Church to serve, bring all the skills we have, sharpen our every nerve: to save a world in bitter need the rule of love must come in deed.
4. We are the body now, our feet must mark the Way, our speech declare the Word and live it day by day, the resurrection story ours, disciples gifted with new powers!

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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.



Presented by the Thames Music Group

Sunday 9 August 2pm at St Georges Church.

Tickets at door, \$15 or \$13 members, \$5 students & community service card holders

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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.

A safe place for the LGBT Communities

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Prayer of Confession

Holy One,
mindful of the fruitfulness of the earth,
yet seemingly powerless
to ensure that all have enough to eat and drink,
we confess our avoidance of hunger.

**For we see clearly but do not act,
we buy and do not wait,
we have our spiritual fill
not seeing you – and your will –
alive in the empty, desolate places (pause).**

O God, teach us to hunger
after the things that really matter.
Enable us to take again the costly path of love
that Jesus travels courageously before us. **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Gathered by God's hopeful love
around a table of welcome;
✠ affirm the goodness of life
and celebrate its Author's presence.

Receivers of living bread
that keeps on being broken for all;
✠ affirm the goodness of life
and pledge ourselves to its sharing.

Bearers of a compassionate spirit
who always leads us toward others;
✠ affirm the goodness of life
and open our hearts to its healing ways.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

Sentence

Jesus says: I am the bread of life; he who
comes to me shall not hunger, and he who
believes in me shall never thirst. *John 6 v 35*

Collect

**God of Moses,
who rained down bread
on Israel's wandering people:
lead us to the food
that never leaves us craving,
addicted to consuming,
but fills our whole humanity
with life enough for all;
through Jesus Christ,
the bread of heaven. Amen.**

AM 271 Bread of heaven on thee we feed

J. Conder

1. Bread of heaven on thee we feed,
for thy flesh is meat indeed;
ever may our souls be fed
with this true and living bread;
day by day with strength supplied
through the life of him who died.
2. Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies
this blest cup of sacrifice;
Lord, thy wounds our healing give,
to thy cross we look and live:
Jesus, may we ever be
grafted, rooted, built in thee.

Today's Readings & Ministers

First Testament: **2 Samuel 11 v 26 - 12 v 13a**
Reader: Max Baggaley

Gospel: **John 6 v 24-35**
Bread from Heaven Reader: Jenny Colley

Presider & Preacher: Graham Colley
Intercessions: Denise Norris
then to **page 418** in NZ Prayer Book

Liturgist: Rae Hinton
Server: Brie Crofts

After Communion: **Ephesians 4 v 1-16**
The Unity of the Spirit

Reader: Natalie Geary

Music Ministry: John Mounsey
Welcome Team: Ray Deed, Colleen Jones,
Robin Plummer
Morning Tea: Margaret MacKay
Sanctuary Guild:
Lois Robinson, Denise Norris

Versicle & Response

Feed us, Father:
with the Bread of Life.

The **ANGLICAN**, the Diocesan newspaper has
arrived with lots of news from around the
Diocese as well as information on national in
international news about WW1 Centenary
news and happenings including our church.



AM290 We plough the fields

*Refrain: All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all his love.*

1. We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand:
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes, and the sunshine,
and soft, refreshing rain.
2. He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
the winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.
3. We thank thee then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.

M. Claudius; tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell

WELCOME TO THE Thames Anglican Church

is how our weekly Pewsheets begins! Do you
ever wonder just how "Welcome" visitors and
potential new members really do feel when they
come to groups and services in the parish? It's
easy to stay with the people we know well and
to ignore visitors. Yet our Christian story is
about hospitality and, if we think about visitors
as if they were coming into our home, then we
need to act here as we would act at home to
someone calling in or invited to a meal or social
occasion. Next week's FORUM after the service
will begin to address some of these questions.

Do stay on after the service then.

NJ 136 Take our bread we ask you

Joe Wise

1. Yours as we stand at the table you set;
yours as we eat the bread
our hearts can't forget,
We are the sign of your life with us yet;
we are yours, we are yours.

Refrain:

**Take our bread, we ask you,
take our hearts, we love you,
take our lives, O Father, we are yours.
(repeat)**

We are yours

2. Your holy people standing washed in your
blood;
Spirit filled, yet hungry we await your food.
We are poor, but we've brought ourselves,
the best we could;
we are yours, we are yours.

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Today's Reflection ...

Jesus, the Bread of Life, reminds us
that God provides what and who is of
real value for the nourishing of our
lives and communities. There is bread
and love enough to share. For what do
you find yourself hungering in terms of
your life and relationships? How do
those hungers play out in your spiritual
journey? Where do you and your
church experience God's "Bread of
Life" broken open for you and others?



Sending Forth

Giver of life, inspired by your creative love;
may we help create a new world with you.
Bread of life, nourished by your healing love;
may we help create a new world with you.
Spirit of life, filled with your compassionate
love;
may we help create a new world with you.
AMEN