

24 NOVEMBER 2019

READINGS

Jeremiah 23: 1—6

Luke 1: 68 —79

**A VERY SPECIAL WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS TO
CHRIST CHURCH THIS MORNING**

Today is our Thanksgiving Service when we celebrate our Patronal Festival of Christ the King.

GOSPEL READING LUKE 1: 68—79

⁶⁸ "Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel,
because he has come to his people and redeemed them.
⁶⁹ He has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of his servant David
⁷⁰ (as he said through his holy prophets of long ago),
⁷¹ salvation from our enemies and from the hand of all who
hate us—
⁷² to show mercy to our ancestors and to remember his holy
covenant,
⁷³ the oath he swore to our father Abraham:
⁷⁴ to rescue us from the hand of our enemies,
and to enable us to serve him without fear
⁷⁵ in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.
⁷⁶ And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High;
for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for
him,
⁷⁷ to give his people the knowledge of salvation
through the forgiveness of their sins,
⁷⁸ because of the tender mercy of our God,
by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven
⁷⁹ to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of
death,
to guide our feet into the path of peace."



OUR REGULAR BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER MEETINGS

Bible Study Groups:

- ◆ First Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm: Next meeting 4 December.
- ◆ Alternate Saturdays at 4.00pm: January meeting dates to be confirmed. Enquiries to Judith 021 102 9180.

Evening Prayer Group: Third Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm.

Next meeting date: 18 December

Morning Prayer: Held every Wednesday at 8 am - everyone welcome.

All groups meet at the church.

INDABA 2.

This year St. Matthias, and St Philip's are our Indaba partners.

Our last combined event is a Carol service at St. Philip's on **15 December** at 7.30pm

AUCKLAND CITY MISSION CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The Mission is again running its '**Auckland's Angels**' Christmas appeal for gifts and non-perishable food. However we focus on collecting Christmas gifts as we already regularly donate food throughout the year.

Gifts for all ages are welcome (rather than just children's toys) and a list of gift ideas is on the next page. A special bin is placed at the back of the church for your donations. As the gifts need to be sorted (you don't need to wrap them now) and distributed well in time for Christmas the last Sunday for your donations will be December 9. Thank you for supporting this appeal.

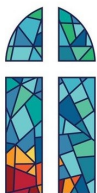
NZCMS FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Date: Tuesday 26 November 2019 at 10.00 am

Venue: Selwyn Village, Community Centre, Music Room

Speaker: Shawn Reddy – CEO of the Te Whakaora Tangata

All Welcome!



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Gift Donation Ideas

Donations of new, unwrapped gifts for all ages and genders are hugely appreciated. In general, the Mission suggests a budget of \$10-\$20 to spend on a gift for someone in need this Christmas. While gift donations should be left unwrapped, the Mission is always grateful for donations of tape and wrapping paper! **No clothing is required.**

Here are a few gift ideas that have made Christmas special for Mission families in previous years. (Age groups highlighted blue are particularly needed).

Age	Gift Idea
Infant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rattle • Teething ring • Cardboard book • Night light • Bath toy
2-4 y/o	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bath toy • Wooden puzzle • Soft toy/Duplo set
5-7 y/o	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Puzzles/Lego Sets • Dolls/Action figures • Fancy dress • Truck/Tea set
8-10 y/o	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craft set • Lego Sets • Yoyo/Board game/Knucklebones
11-13 y/o	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pencil case and other stationery items • Book • Gift Voucher e.g. Prezzy Card, Warehouse or Westfield voucher • Jewellery/Sunglasses/Cap
14-17 y/o	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soccer/rugby ball/netball/basketball • Jewellery • Toiletries • Wallet • Gift Voucher eg Prezzy Card, Westfield or Warehouse voucher
Adult parents/caregivers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family game (eg: Jenga, Monopoly, etc) • Toiletries • Reusable water bottle/thermos • Gift Voucher eg Prezzy Card, Westfield or Warehouse voucher
Elderly men and women	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toiletries • Slippers • Tinned biscuits • Scarf/Boxed handkerchiefs • Gift Voucher eg Prezzy Card, Westfield or Warehouse voucher
Stocking Fillers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hair Accessories, kid's drinking bottles, stationery, matchbox toys, chocolate coins, candy canes



OUR CHRISTMAS SERVICES

**SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER AT 7.30 PM
COMBINED CAROL SERVICE AT ST PHILIP'S
92 Saint Heliers Bay Road, St Heliers**

**CHRISTMAS DAY AT 9.30 AM
HOLY EUCHARIST HERE AT CHRIST CHURCH**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL NOT BE A
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AT CHRIST CHURCH**

