



**Christ Church**  
YOUR VILLAGE CHURCH

16 FEBRUARY 2020

**READINGS**

**1 Corinthians 3: 1—9**

**Matthew 5: 21—37**

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

**GOSPEL READING Matthew 5: 21 - 37**

<sup>21</sup> "You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.' <sup>22</sup> But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, 'Raca,' is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.

<sup>23</sup> "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, <sup>24</sup> leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

<sup>25</sup> "Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. <sup>26</sup> Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.

<sup>27</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' <sup>28</sup> But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. <sup>29</sup> If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup> And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

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<sup>31</sup> "It has been said, 'Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.'<sup>32</sup> But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

<sup>33</sup> "Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.'<sup>34</sup> But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne;<sup>35</sup> or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King.<sup>36</sup> And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black.<sup>37</sup> All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

## **OUR REGULAR BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER MEETINGS**

### **Bible Study Groups:**

- ◆ First Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm: Note that the 2020 meetings will commence after our upcoming Lenten Study. The date of the first meeting and the study topic will be confirmed in due course.
- ◆ Alternate Saturdays at 4.00pm: The next meeting will be on 29 February. Enquiries to Judith 021 102 9180.

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

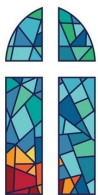
No meeting in February, next meeting date: to be advised

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

All groups meet at the church unless advised otherwise.

## **CATHEDRAL MUSIC MATTERS**

The World Symposium on Choral Music is coming to Auckland in July and the Cathedral will host some of the events. Twenty-four of the world's best choirs will be performing. The last time this Symposium was in this part of the world was in 1996 in Sydney. For more information go to [www.nzcf.org.nz](http://www.nzcf.org.nz).



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