



5 FEBRUARY 2017

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



8.00AM HOLY EUCHARIST

Presiding Priest & Preacher: The Ven Lynnette Lightfoot
Deacon: The Rev'd Alastair Buick
Prayers: Maralin Dunn

10.00AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

Presiding Priest & Preacher: The Ven Lynnette Lightfoot
Deacon: The Rev'd Nicky Lee
Liturgical Assistant: The Rev'd Ben Randall, Assistant Curate
Vergers: Chris Oldham
Music: The Cathedral Choir
Director of Music: John Linker
Organist: Harry Meehan

5.00PM CHORAL EVENSONG

Officiant: The Ven Canon Sue Baldwin
Meditation: The Rev'd Ben Randall, Assistant Curate
Vergers: Julie Andrews
Music: The Cathedral Choir
Cathedral Director of Music: John Linker
Organist: Harry Meehan

No cellphones or cameras please



WHAT'S HAPPENING



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Welcome to all on this Sunday in Ordinary Time. We are glad you have chosen to come to the Transitional Cathedral. If you are a long way from home, we hope you are enjoying your time in Canterbury this summer. God bless you and your family and friends.

Prayer for the Diocese: Each week the Cathedral prays for the wider Church. This week we pray for our Diocese of Christchurch. Our Bishop, The Right Reverend Victoria Matthews, and all people working as managers, advisers and in positions of senior leadership within the Diocese. We also pray specifically for the ministry and work of the Diocesan Synod, the Standing Committee and the Finance & Audit Committee.

If you are interested in being part of a **Prayer Group**, praying for the needs of our visitors, please speak to one of the clergy team (Nicky, Ben, Lynnette, Alastair, or the Dean).

In preparation for Ash Wednesday, we ask that you please **return your Palm Crosses** to the Cathedral over the next fortnight.

Weekday services of **Choral Evensong** have resumed at 5.30pm and take place Tuesday to Friday. Services of Holy Eucharist or Midday Prayer are held daily at 12.05pm.

People have asked if they can give offertory donations by eftpos or credit card. Yes, that is possible to do through the shop counter. Just see the duty custodian after the service.

DONATIONS & OFFERTORY GIVING. It is possible to make donations and/or your regular offertory via online banking. Just set up an Automatic Payment or Direct Credit.

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Account Number	06-0831-0034885-00
Reference	[Your Name] and DONATION or OFFERTORY

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Thank you for your support for the Christchurch **City Mission** by donating groceries for their foodbank. The demand on the resources of the Mission by families in need increases at the start of the school year and all donations are gratefully received.

A promotional poster for a performance by Will Martin. The poster features a photograph of Will Martin in a dark suit and a patterned bow tie, looking down at his hands. The text on the poster reads: 'WILL MARTIN PRESENTS ENCORE', '7.30pm FRIDAY 31 MARCH TRANSITIONAL CATHEDRAL CHRISTCHURCH', and 'A new year brings a new show. WILL MARTIN is joined by recording artist ANNA HAWKINS, and the music students of ST MARGARET'S COLLEGE'. At the bottom, it says 'Tickets available from eventfinda.co.nz or 0800 BUY TIX (289 849)' and 'www.christchurchcathedral.co.nz 03 3660046 admin@christchurchcathedral.co.nz'. The eventfinda logo is also present in the bottom right corner of the poster.

The Cathedral supports **community lunches** that take place every Sunday in Latimer Square. If the weather is wet, the lunch is served in the Cathedral foyer from about noon.

The Fruit and Vegetable Co-Op started this week. Orders are received on Wed between 12.00 noon - 1pm. Please label your \$15 payment clearly. Deliveries occur the following week. Please collect your order from Nicky's office.

THIS WEEK: 6 FEBRUARY ~ 12 FEBRUARY

**Morning Prayer is said Mon - Fri
at 8.30am**

**Monday 6 February
WAITANGI DAY**

12.05pm Holy Eucharist
A Service of Celebration and
Commemoration

Tuesday 7 February

12.05pm Holy Eucharist
with prayers for healing
5.30pm Choral Evensong *sung by the
Cathedral Choir*

Wednesday 8 February

12.05pm Holy Eucharist
in the Celtic tradition
5.30pm Choral Evensong *sung by the
Cathedral Choir*

Thursday 9 February

12.05pm Holy Eucharist in Te Reo Maori
5.30pm Choral Evensong *sung by the
Gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir*

Friday 10 February

12.05pm Holy Eucharist
4.30pm Choral Evensong *sung by the
Choristers of the Cathedral Choir*

Saturday 11 February

12.05pm Midday Prayer

**SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY
6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8.00am Holy Eucharist

Presiding Priest: The Ven Lynnette Lightfoot
Preacher: The Rev'd Ben Randall

10.00am Choral Eucharist

Presiding Priest: The Ven Lynnette Lightfoot
Preacher: The Rev'd Ben Randall
Music: The Cathedral Choir

5.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: Jill Kerr, Precentrix
Meditation: Dr Marla Hughes
Music: The Cathedral Choir

The Cathedral Choir returned from their summer break last week in time for our Candlemas celebrations. We would like to extend a hearty **'Welcome Back'** to you all. Equally, we offer a well-deserved **'Thank You'** to the Cathedral Chorale who led our music throughout the January period. It was a great joy to continue our Choral Eucharist thanks to your dedication and service over that time.

I would like to know more about the Cathedral's worshipping community.

I would like to receive the monthly Cathedral newsletter, "Extra" by post
(if you would like to receive it by email please go to www.christchurchcathedral.co.nz)

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DATE _____

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REFLECTION

Welcome to the Transitional Cathedral, the broad tent with a wide open door. Welcome to those visiting us from near and far, to all who gather from around the Diocese and to those who worship here Sunday by Sunday.

The Gospel passage for today (Matthew 5: 13-20) is taken from the Sermon on the Mount, one of the great recorded discourses of Jesus. A record which also includes The Beatitudes which many people know so well (Matthew 5: 2-12).

In today's passage, Jesus, reflecting on the Kingdom of Heaven – the extraordinary realisation of God's love and righteousness – charges his disciples to embody that kingdom in the world. Jesus is speaking of the kind of community for which the world hungers: one where God's love and life both illuminate and liberate.

Yet the way the disciples are to embody that kingdom appears paradoxical. They are to be as salt and light.

Salt is such a small thing and often unseen. The sea is full of it, and yet you would never know to look at it. It disappears when added to the soup on your stove and yet your guests will be more than appreciative of the added flavour.

Light, meanwhile, is visible and manifest; our eyes are drawn to it and we identify the source almost unconsciously. It can beckon, it gives us warmth and provides the conditions through which we can work. Light can also reveal those things which require repair, and those things of beauty and truth.

It may seem a tall order to live into this reality; yet we are not expected to do this in our own strength. Our strength comes from God, and our embodiment of the kingdom takes place, not individually, but as part of a community. Jesus was not speaking to just a single individual, but to the whole community of his disciples. When you take your first steps as a disciple of Christ, you do so supported, upheld by the far wider community of disciples around you.

This Cathedral, in many and various ways, embodies both the radiance of light, and the hidden goodness of salt within its daily life. Through public worship, the ministries of so many people make that possible, and in the beauty of our choral tradition we show forth a light that we pray will beckon and proclaim the good news.

The service of our volunteers, often quietly given in the background, the contemplative and intimate gatherings at morning and midday, and the prayers offered up for our visitors and for those in need of God's grace and hope, provides the salt and flavour that gives life and character to this place.

As we go out this week, let us hear the words of Christ, and be as Salt and Light to the world around us; and in all our activity and good works, give glory to our Father in heaven.

I pray you will have a blessed week.

Ben Randall, Assistant Curate

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER: If you have prayer requests for people or situations known to you, please contact Rev Rosalie Hoddinott ph. 3322516 or rg.hoddy@xtra.co.nz Prayer requests are written down and placed on the altar during the Tuesday midday Healing Service and included in the prayer time. Names and situations are not spoken aloud.