



Sunday
24-Sep-2023

A very warm welcome is extended to all visitors to St Johns. Morning tea is offered after the service today, so please stay and enjoy.

Life Together

Scripture reading: Philippians 2: 5 - 11 (New International Version)



Philippians 2: 5 - 11

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶ Who, being in very nature ^[a] God,
did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing
by taking the very nature ^[b] of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
by becoming obedient to death—
even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Sunday

1-Oct-2023

THIS WEEK

Theme: TBC

From: 24-Sep-2023

Scripture readings: Exodus 17:1-7 Matthew 21:23-32

To: 1-Oct-2023

Prayer points:

- For peace to be restored in Ukraine;
- For Jane's health;
- For Brenda's health;
- For Felicity's recovery;
- For violence and crime to be subdued in our country.
- For those who have had major surgery and are recovering at home;
- For support for all those who have lost loved ones, homes and/or livelihoods in the recent natural disasters.

Pastoral Reflection

Hello, friends, who love St Johns,

A warm welcome to our Annual General Meeting.

As we prepare to attend our AGM this week. I have two prayers that I would like to share with us. The first is, Thomas Merton prayer that I shared with us a few months ago- a prayer that I received at my ordination, and I have been whispering it to God daily.

My Lord God,

I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end, nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you.

And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore will I trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Sunday 24-Sep-2023

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

9.30 am Service in English
(Chinese subtitle)

3:00 pm Christian Youth Church

Monday 25-Sep-2023

N/A

Tuesday 26-Sep-2023

N/A

Wednesday 27-Sep-2023

7:00 pm AA meeting (foyer)

Thursday 28-Sep-2023

3:10 pm Musiqhub

Friday 29-Sep-2023

10:00 am Knitting Group

6:45 pm Youth Group

Sunday 1-Oct-2023

Food Bank

9.30 am Holy Communion Service
in English (Chinese subtitle)

3:00 pm Christian Youth Church

And the second one is, Pauls kenotic hymn in the 2nd Chapter of Philippians. I will talk some more about this kenotic hymn on Sunday.

⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Blessing and peace to you and to those you love. Amen!

HELP needed - MORNING TEA, LUNCH & AFTERNOON TEA for Holiday Programme.

We are looking for offers of food supply and set up/ clean up help for Morning Tea, Lunch & Afternoon Tea for our leaders, each day of the **upcoming 4 day Holiday Programme. (3,4 5 & 6 October)**

A Roster Sheet is in the foyer to fill in a slot where you may be able to offer your help.

Providing food plus setting up & clean up could be two separate 'help slots' where you may be able to support.

Please contact Julie Dickey 535 5814 or 0274 925 659 or fill in the Roster Sheet.



Coffee & Chat

Save the Day
26 Sep (Tue)

10:00am till noon

Bring a friend and/or families



Songs for Today

1. How great is our God
2. Meekness and Majesty
3. Oh the Mercy of God
4. Amazing Grace



Members of the Parish Council of Bucklands Beach Cooperating Parish - 24 Sep 2023



Rev Jeff Odhiambc



Winnie Wong



Antony Dyal



Charles de Vilder



Julie Dickie



Jeanette Li



Elizabeth Speer



Mavis Haigh



Trevor Haigh



Nessie Crawford

Friday evening Youth Group
Every Friday at 6:45 pm

Sunday Services:	English 9:30a.m.	
Office Hours:	Tues - Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 noon	
Phone: 09 534 2305	Email: office@stjohnsbb.org.nz	
Website:	https://stjohnsbb.org.nz	
Minister	Rev Jeff Odhiambo	022 674 0044
Administrator	Winnie Wong	
Community Facilitator	Antony Dayal	
Property Manager	Charles de Vilder	
People's Warden	Julie Dickey	
Minister's Warden	TBA	
Pastoral Care	Judy McDonald	
Prayer Chain	Judy McDonald	

Youth Group: Contact Antony or Jeff community@stjohnsbb.org.nz

	Today's Helpers 24-Sep-2023	Next Week's Helpers 1-Oct-2023
Preacher	Rev Jeff Odhiambo	Rev Jeff Odhiambo
Musician/s	Joan Williamson Winnie Wong	Rahil John Albert Ip
Projector & Sound Desk	Alicia Odhiambo	Collin Francke
Reader	Olga Ferreira	Judy McDonald
Intercessor	Bob Williamson	Liz Speer
HC set up	N/A	Ayleen de Vilder
HC Serving team	N/A	Grace Corbett
Prayer ministry	Judy McDonald	Joan Rutherford
Sunday School	Antony Dayal	An opportunity to serve here
Welcome Desk	Ayleen de Vilder	Liz Speer
Usher	Charles de Vilder	Derek Speer
Counters	Nessie Crawford Bob Williamson	Christo John Trevor Haigh
Morning Tea	Miranda Huang Grace Tay	Julie Dickey Jeanette Li Dimock