

Sunday 4-Feb-2024 Could Table Fellowship be a Healing space?

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.

Scripture reading: Mark 1:29-31(New International Version)



Jesus Heals Many

29 As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. 30 Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. 31 So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

32 That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. 33 The whole town gathered at the door, 34 and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

Jesus Prays in a Solitary Place

35 Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. 36 Simon and his companions went to look for him, 37 and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!"

38 Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." 39 So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

Scripture readings: Mark 1:40-45 (New International Version)

Prayer points:

- For peace and restoration of stability in Israel, Ukraine and other regions experiencing unrest;
- 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;
- 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,

It is really great to be back after being on leave for the past three Sundays. It was such a great time away and I am grateful for such opportunities to rest, refresh and reconnect with myself and the people closer to me. My deepest gratitude to the people that lead the services and the community in my absence.

It was also great to begin the week with the presence of Youth with A Mission. It was such a special time. Good conversations, good food and lots of laughter. We are really indebted to their generosity. They really helped us take care of many of the yard work that were long overdue. We are also appreciative of CYC for their generous engagement with us and YWAM. Indeed, Pastor John and CYC community is made up of generous, caring members with their hearts turned towards our community.

From:	4-Feb-2024	
То:	11-Feb-2024	
Sunday	4-Feb-2024	
9.30 am Holy Communion Sunday Service in English (Chinese subtitle) 3:30 pm Christian Youth Church (Mandarin spoken service)		
Monday	5-Feb-2024	
5:30 Community Dinner		
Tuesday	6-Feb-2024	
N/A		
Wednesday	7-Feb-2024	
7:00 pm AA meeting		
Thursday	8-Feb-2024	
10:30am Finance Team meeting 3:10 pm Musiqhub - holiday		
Friday	9-Feb-2024	
N/A		
Sunday	11-Feb-2024	
9.30 am Service in English (Chinese subtitle)		
3:30 pm Christian Youth Church		

THIS WEEK

This week's gospel reading is a day in the life of Jesus. As Jesus begins his public ministry, we have an opportunity to follow him around for twenty-four hours, observing what he does, what he says, and what he prioritizes.

And what we see is him prioritizing six things: Table fellowship, healing, liberation and commissioning, waiting (or in other words praying), and lastly moving on. among us?



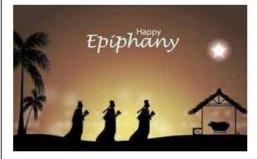
YWAM Queenstown 2024 DTS Team

Elisabeth, Belinda, Jakob, Connor, Kristy, James, Daniel, Noah and Matt

The team spent 10 days with us, cutting trees, cleaning windows, weeding, hauling, running a whanau Drop-in fun centre, prayer walking, local evangelism, and helping our friends at Eden Community Church and St Helier's Presbyterian. They were legends. They are off to India now. Pray for them as they minister in Dharamsala in the Himilayas.



Epiphany is a season in our liturgical calendar. For three weeks we celebrate how Epiphany is all about expanding God's Kingdom beyond his people Israel.



Source: https://tinyurl.com/daa6vubc

The word Epiphany describes the 12th day of Christmas, which falls on January 6th and marks the official end to the festive season for many Christians.

We also celebrate Jesus' baptism on this day and Epiphany also marks the visit to the baby Jesus by the Magi, (the three Kings, or Wise Men).

The word 'Epiphany' comes from Greek and means manifestation'. It celebrates 'the revelation of God



Special offerings 2023 Thanksgiving - \$20,000 Dimmock Charitable Trust Grant -\$30,000 Special donations - \$5,500

Thank You

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	Today's Helpers 4-Feb-2024	Next Week's Helpers 11-Feb-2024
Preacher/ Service Leader	Jeff Odhiambo	Jeff Odhiambo
Musician/s	Jeanette Li, Albert Ip, Winnie Wong	Jeanette Li, Albert Ip, Winnie Wong
Projector & Sound Desk	Collin Franke	Alison Stanton
Reader	Felicity Vincer	Olga Ferriera
Intercessor	Elizabeth Speer	Julie Dickey
HC set up	Ayleen de Vilder	N/A
HC Serving team	Joan Rutherford	N/A
Prayer ministry	Joan Rutherford	Judy McDonald
Sunday School	N/A	N/A
Welcome Desk	With ushering	With ushering
Usher	Charles de Vilder	Olga Ferreira
Counters	Trevor Haigh	Charles de Vilder
	Nessie Crawford	Alison Stanton
Morning Tea	Julie Dickey	Betty Curd
	Alison Staunton	Nessie Crawford