# THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF S. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, CHRISTCHURCH



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 24 July 2022

# From the Priest-In-Charge....

Dear Parish Family, Kia Ora e te Whanau,

Today at the 10am Mass we welcome Raina Judkins and her mum and dad, Elliott and Matt and her God parents Pia and Jason. Raina will be baptised as the newest member of the world wide Church of Christ and we will welcome her into God's family here at St Michael's. I'm delighted that Hugh Munro who was baptised here at Easter this year will on our behalf present Raina [actually one of the God parents on Raina's behalf!] with the baptism candle which we will light from our Paschal Candle.

I suspect Raina will forget the date of her baptism, but I've no doubt of course that she will not forget her birthday! So as well as the candles on her birthday cake, I have suggested to Elliott and Matt that they light the Baptism Candle and remind Raina and each other of today and the baptismal promises they have made.

Today's Gospel reading from Luke quotes Jesus encouraging us to persist in prayer. In my years of ministry I have regularly met lovely people who because of age or infirmity are no longer able to 'DO' as much as they used to in ministry. Some have told me that they feel a bit useless!

No way, is my response! You have the most important job of all - What you can do is to pray! And I share with them the names of people who are asking for prayer and the issues which they are facing. For people to know that others are holding them in their prayers is a beautiful thing. It is encouraging and reassuring. In this way we can align our care and compassion for the other with God's, and pray that God's will be done for the well-being of those we pray for.

Jesus said "Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you." He tells us to persist in prayer. As we hold our troubled world in prayer before God, let us focus on what requires our shameless persistence. And we can also ask ourselves what is happening in our lives that needs to change? What are we seeking? What are we hoping for? Jesus promises us that if we knock the door will be opened, but we might have to knock hard and often; we might have to ask others to join us. Jesus invites us to pray with the assurance that God is listening; and not only that, but God is acting on our behalf, ready to respond and to transform our lives and the world around us.

And if we have moments when we feel like our prayers are weak, or like we don't know what to say or do, we can be like the disciples: "Lord, teach us to pray," they asked him. Jesus stands ready not only to answer our prayers, but also to show us the way.

Blessings Fr Peter For Peter

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**Sunday** 10.00 am Solemn Mass

# Orange Traffic Light—Covid information

- Please wear a mask to cover your nose and mouth. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use .
- There will be congregational singing. It is very important that you keep your
  mask on and observe social distancing. If you are unwell please do not attend.
- Communion will be one kind only (bread).
- Please place your donation in the collection plates at the back of the church as you come in or leave. Thank you.

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24 July 2022

Celebrant 8.00 am: Fr Peter Beck

Celebrant 10.00 am: Fr Peter Beck Organ: Eric Apperley, Paul Ellis

Mass Setting:A Festive EucharistNoel RawsthorneOrgan Voluntary:Adagio from Symphony No. 2Charles Marie Widor

**Introit Hymn:** 296 Tune 2

# Greeting:

Ki te ingoa  $\maltese$  o te Matua, me te Tamaiti, me te Wairua Tapu. Amine. (In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  $\maltese$  and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.) Grace and peace to you from God. **God fill you with truth and joy.** 

May those who are cleansed from sin and born again by water and the Spirit, continue forever in the risen life of Christ.

The people are invited to call to mind their sins.

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving. In silence we call to mind our sins. *Silence*.

Let us confess our sins.

Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done, and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

# All:

Kyrie, eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie, eleison. Christe, eleison, Christe, eleison, Christe, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

#### **Priest:**

Through the cross of Christ, ♣ God have mercy on you, pardon you, and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. Amen.

#### All:

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# **Priest:**

Almighty God, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, your Son has taught us to bring our petitions to you in confidence and trust; grant that we may ask only those things which may be pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

First Reading: (sit) Genesis 18: 20–32 Jenny Daniels

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre and said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know." So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake."

Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there."

Again Abraham spoke to the Lord, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then Abraham said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." The Lord answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." Abraham said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." The Lord answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." The Lord answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: 138

- R. You will fulfil your purpose for me: your love, O Lord, is everlasting.
- 1. I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with all my heart; before the gods I will sing your praises. I will bow down toward your holy temple, and give thanks because of your love and faithfulness, for you have exalted your name and your word above all things. **R.**
- 2. On the day that I called, you answered me, and put new strength within me. All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, when they hear the words of your mouth. **R.**
- 3. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch out your hand against my enemies' rage and your right hand will save me. You will fulfil your purpose for me: your love, O Lord, is everlasting; do not leave unfinished the work of your hands. **R.**

Second Reading: (sit) Colossians 2: 6–15 Sue Shannons

Brothers and sisters, as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.

And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

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**Gospel Acclamation:** (stand)

**Alleluia, alleluia.** Ask and you will receive, says the Lord; seek and you shall find. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** 

The Lord be with you A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

The Lord bless you Praise and Glory to God

**Gospel:** Luke 11: 1–13 Fr Peter Williams

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

This is the Gospel of Christ. Praise to Christ the Word.

**Sermon:** Fr Peter Beck



# The Baptism of Raina Susannah Atawai Judkins

#### Fr Peter:

Baptism unites us to Christ and Christ's body, which is the Church. This union is the gift of God, whose grace is offered to all people in Christ.

In Baptism we die and are raised to life, through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As Jesus' life was poured out in service to the world, so we are enlisted in God's service, to give ourselves for others.

Baptism proclaims the faith of the Church by the sign of water which cleanses and renews. Baptism is also a sign of the reconciliation of all things which God has promised in Christ. In Baptism we are given the Holy Spirit as a guarantee of this reconciliation. The same Spirit binds us to Christ and to each other bringing forth love, joy and peace in the world.

Elliot and Matthew, what do you ask of God's Church?

#### Parents:

We ask for Baptism for Raina into the faith and family of Jesus Christ.

#### **Priest:**

Raina, the Christian community welcomes you with great joy.

Through Baptism, Raina is to enter the covenant which God has established with God's people. This covenant with God in Christ is the foundation of all other relationships.

On your part, as parents and Godparents, it becomes your solemn responsibility to help Raina to grow within the practice of the faith and see that the new life that God gives to her is guarded from evil and is nurtured by the love of God and of God's people.

Today before God and this congregation, I ask you: Do you renounce evil and put your trust in God?

Through the grace of Jesus Christ, I do.

Let us, all gathered in this place, declare before God the faith which we share and in which Raina is to be baptised.

Do you believe and trust in God the Creator, who made the world?

All: I believe and trust in God.

Do you believe and trust in God's Son, Jesus Christ, who redeemed humankind?

All: I believe and trust in Jesus Christ.

All: I believe and trust in the Holy Spirit.

Let us pray.

We thank you, Gracious God, for the gift of water. Through the waters of the Red Sea, you led the children of Israel out of bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In the waters of Jordan, your Son was baptised by John and anointed with the Spirit. We thank you for this water which was sanctified at our Easter celebration by the power of the Spirit. May those who are cleansed from sin and born again by water and the Spirit continue forever in the risen life of Christ. Amen.

**Priest:** Name this child

Parents: Raina Susannah Atawhai

#### **Priest:**

Raina Susannah Atawhai , I baptise you in the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (Raina is anointed with Chrism)

Raina, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. Amen.

Gracious God, we thank you that by water and the Spirit you have bestowed upon Raina the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to Christ-like life. Sustain her O God, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.** 

(A lighted candle is given to Raina at the altar step by Hugo Munro, a member of St Michael's Congregation).

Raina, receive the light of Christ.

All: You have been enlightened by Christ. May you walk always as a child of the light. May your light so shine that all may see your good works and give glory to God.

God has received you by baptism into the Church.

All: We welcome you into God's family.

Praise to God who has given us life.

All: Blessed be God for the gift of love.

Praise to God who forgives our sin.

All: Blessed be God who sets us free.

Praise to God who kindles our faith.

All: Blessed be God, our strength, our hope.

Priest: Let us, the baptised, affirm that we renounce evil and commit our lives to Christ.

All: Blessed be God. JESUS IS LORD!

Priest: God of Love.

All: We thank you for our calling to be Disciples of Christ. Help us nurture Raina in the faith that we share. May she grow to live, worship and serve you, and bring life to the world. Amen.  $\blacksquare$ 



#### The Peace

#### **Priest:**

The peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.

At the Peace all may exchange a non physical greeting with those near them.

#### **Priest:**

E te whanau, we are the body of Christ. By one spirit we were baptised into one body. Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace: Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

# The Preparation of the Gifts

#### **Priest:**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made.

It will become for us the bread of life. Blessed be God for ever.

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become our spiritual drink. Blessed be God for ever.

Offertory Hymn: 263 (omit verses 5 & 6)

#### **Priest:**

Pray, sisters and brothers, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty One. May the Lord receive the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

#### **Priest:**

Father, hear the prayers of your faithful people. Grant that all who celebrate this Eucharist may please you by the offering of themselves and the fulfilling of your will. We ask this through Christ the Lord. **Amen.** 

# The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here. God's Spirit is with us. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

#### Priest:

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ your only Son.

You sent your Son to be for us the way we need to follow and the truth we need to know. You give us your Holy Spirit to help us always by his power, so that with loving trust we may turn to you in all our troubles, and give thanks in all our joys. Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

#### Sanctus & Benedictus:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### Priest:

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father.

Send your Holy Spirit, that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

On the night before he died, your Son Jesus Christ took bread;

when he had given you thanks,

he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you;

do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup;

when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them, and said:

Drink this, all of you,

for this is my blood of the new covenant,

which is shed for you and for many

for the forgiveness of sins;

do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

#### Deacon:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: Glory to you, Lord Christ: your death we show forth; your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await. Amen! Come, Lord Jesus.

#### **Priest:**

Therefore, loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ, our great high priest.

Hear the prayers of the family you have gathered here before you. In mercy and love unite all your children, wherever they may be.

Welcome into your kingdom our departed brothers and sisters, and all who have left this world in your friendship. We hope to enjoy for ever the vision of your glory through Christ our Lord, from whom all good things come.

United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing, honour and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Silence

#### **Priest:**

As Christ teaches us we pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **Priest:**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

# Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

#### Priest:

Whoever asks, receives; and whoever seeks, finds.

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Happy are we who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Communion in one kind will be administered from the front step at the centre of the aisle. Please leave your seat by the side aisle, and approach the centre aisle from the rear crossing. Please leave a 2m distance between yourself and others and please use the hand sanitizer. when receiving the sacrament, please stretch your arms horizontally as much as possible.

**Communion Anthem:** Lord I trust thee George Frideric Handel

Communion Hymn: 276

# **Prayer after Communion:**

God of peace, you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ. Pour out your Spirit upon us, and in the strength of this food from heaven keep us single-minded in your service. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.** 

#### Notices

# **Blessing:**

#### Deacon:

The Mass is ended. Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace. **Amen. We go in the name of Christ.** 

Final Hymn: 368

Organ Voluntary: Variations on Cym Rhonda John Wells

**Health & Safety Regulations:** In an emergency, use the closest exit and assemble in the drop-off zone. In an earthquake, drop down and shelter behind or under a pew, covering your head. Follow instructions.

# Please pray for...

#### The Sick:

Alastair Scott, Rita Libeau, John Preston, Lois Peters, Denis Coulter, Betty Mechen, John McNally, Suzanne Keys, Ghislaine Brewer-Quirke, Bert Riseley, Shirley Kember, Clemency Mutze, Gilbert Wealleans, John Moyle.

Sr Annette, Anne Fenton, Oscar Bisman, Matt Head, Geraldine Mullions, Fi-Bee, Kay Burgess, Magda Burney, David & Sandra, Philip Souter, Mary Lazarus, Ongloon Yee, Raylene Coochey, Deb Smith, Andrew Lawson.

Departed: David Gray, Bill Bradford.

Anniversaries: (Sun) Norma Hamblyn-Hall, Monica Preston (Mon) Roger Smith

(Tues) Alys Bennet, John Middleton (Wed) Val Vroblfski

(Fri) George McNabb, Geoffrey Taylor.

# THIS WEEK Notices

**Meditation Group**—will not meet in person while we remain cautious regarding the spread of Covid. Instead, we invite everyone to meditate for twenty minutes at home as close to midday on a Wednesday as possible in a virtual group.

Contact: Margaret Maclagan 0275599216.

**Vestry Meeting**: Wed 5.30 pm Parish Lounge. **Bible Study**— Thurs 11.00 am, Parish Lounge.

Pray the Rosary—Thurs 12noon, Church. Contact: Gilbert Wealleans— 021338380.

**Inasmuch Basket**—please continue to support the work of the City Mission.

NEXT WEEK The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 31 July 2022

8:00 am Mass Celebrant: Fr Peter Beck
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Servers: MC: Robert Calvert Th: Simon Green Cr: lack Barrie

Ac: Joshua Wilson Black, Carol Fraser.

First Reading:Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2: 18-23Robert MaclaganSecond Reading:Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11Johnann WilliamsGospel:Luke 12: 13-21Fr Peter Beck

**Sermon:** Margaret Maclagan

**Sides people:** Adrienne Curtis, Andrew Moorhouse

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# **Christian World Service Winter Appeal**

Please support the Christian World Service Winter Appeal for economic justice.

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#### **Karen Sewell**

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8:00 am Low Mass

10:00 am Mass

Monday S. James & S. John, Apostles

12:35 pm Mass

**Tuesday** Anne, Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Wednesday** Feria 12:35 pm Mass

**Thursday** Mary & Martha of Bethany

12:35 pm Mass

Friday William Wilberforce, 1833 and All Social Reformers

12:35 pm Mass

Saturday The Saints & Martyrs of Europe

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