

**PARISH DIRECTORY for Linwood - Aranui**

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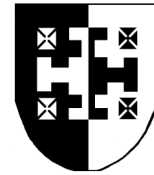
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**If you want to make a donation to the Parish, our bank account is:  
03-1700-0214522-00 Add your name and "donation" as references.**

**Humour**

***I was right McDonalds  
has been around for  
ages!!!***



*Anglican Parish of  
Linwood - Aranui*



**PEW NEWS Sunday 12th November 2023**

*Living out the love of Christ in our worship and service to all people.*

*Welcome*

A warm welcome to everyone. We are glad you have joined us in this celebration of our life of faith in God. There is a special church area to help children feel at home here, and we hope you will join us for morning tea after the Service.

**The Bible Readings for today - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25    1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18    Matthew 25: 1-13

**INTRODUCTION**

The parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids is a warning to be ready for the coming of Christ. The wise bridesmaids keep the vision of Christ's return, and all that it stands for, alive through their faithful waiting in the midst of delay. By preparing for the day, the timing of which no one knows but God, they proclaim that God's promises are true. They act out their hope for that day when God will establish justice and righteousness and peace.

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Are you awake? Are you alert?  
**All: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.**

Leader: Are you watching the signs?  
**All: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.**

Leader: Come, let us worship and let us work in the reign of God.  
**All: With our flasks full and our lamps trimmed  
let us work together in the reign of God on earth.**

### Sentence

Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. *Matthew 24:42,44*

### Collect

**Father,  
let us not serve you grudgingly like slaves,  
but with the gladness of children  
who delight in you  
and rejoice in their work;  
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.**

### Notices

**Items for the Christmas raffle** can be given to Gaynor or left at the Parish Office. She would appreciate them by end of November to allow sufficient time to create the different prizes.

**The Women's Coffee Group meets this Thursday (16th)** at 2pm in the Eastgate Food Court.

**With next Friday (17th) being Show Day** the usual activities at both sites will not be held.

**Vestry meets next Sunday (19th)** at 11:45am at St Chad's.

**Our next joint worship will be on Sunday 26th November** at St Chad's at 10am. After the service we will share a pot luck lunch for everyone to bring along your favourite lunch food.

Also on that Sunday we will be holding another BOTTLE RAFFLE, the last one was great fun, proceeds will go to Anglican Missions and the Gaza hospital appeal. So we are asking you all to bring a bottle or two over the next two weeks, jars of jam etc are also great – there will be a labelled box in the back of the each Church for the bottles. Then they will be wrapped and numbered for Sunday 26th.

**Recently Brenda announced her retirement**, with her last day to be Sunday 28th January 2024. The Wardens (Max and Linda) will be working with Bishop Peter to set a date for the parish consultation that needs to take place as the first step to seeking a new Vicar. There will be a Priest-in-Charge appointed for the time between Brenda finishing and the new Vicar beginning; Bishop Peter is aware of the need for this appointment and will work with the Wardens to find a suitable priest for this temporary role. If you have any questions or concerns please talk to the Wardens.

### Weekly activities at both Church sites & bookshop

Day	Activity	Time
<i>At St Chad's site</i>		
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	10am
Wednesday	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Eucharist	10am
Friday	Op Shop	Closed—Public Holiday
	Te Reo Service	Closed—Public Holiday
	Community Lunch - cost of meal \$4.00	Closed—Public Holiday
Sunday	Eucharist	8.15am
	Eucharist	10am
<i>At St Ambrose's site</i>		
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	9.45am
	Food Bank Cafe	10am—12 Noon
	Handiscope	1-3 pm
	Parish Prayer Group	6pm
Wednesday	Food Bank	10am—12 Noon
Thursday	Elder Care Group	10am—12.30pm
Friday	Food Bank Cafe	Closed—Public Holiday
Sunday	Communion Service	10am
<i>At the Barnabas Bookshop site</i>		
Days open	Tuesday through Saturday inclusive (excludes Public Holidays)	10am to 4pm

### Next Week's Bible Readings — 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Judges 4: 1-7

1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Matthew 25: 14-30