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03-1700-0214522-00 Add your name and "donation" as references.**

Humour



PEW NEWS

Sunday 2nd February 2025

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 - The presentation of Jesus in the Temple

Malachi 3: 1-4

Hebrews 2: 14-18

Luke 2: 22-40

INTRODUCTION

In today's Old Testament reading, Malachi who began his prophetic ministry about 460 BCE, warns of God's judgement through a coming messenger to the Hebrew nation. Our Epistle reading informs us that the writer of Hebrews declares that the incarnate Christ shares our humanity. Through his death and resurrection, we are no longer slaves to sin and death. The Gospel for today, Luke 2:22-40, is all about the presentation of Jesus in the temple.

This week is the last in a series of *showings*, or Epiphany. Simeon and Anna are wonderful examples of the elderly faithful who have stayed spiritually flexible and alert throughout their long lives. Simeon has been told by God that he will see the Messiah in person before he dies, and we can imagine his excitement as on this particular day he feels drawn to go to the temple court. His trust in God is such that he will not be thrown by anything unexpected. So, as soon as he sees this unremarkable little family walking in with their new baby he knows, beyond all doubt, that this is the child he has been waiting all his life to see.

Call to Worship

- Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
- All: **My soul longs, indeed it faints, for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.**
- Leader: Even the sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- All: **Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.**

Sentence

Be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God in righteousness and true holiness

Ephesians 4:23-24

Collect

**Everliving God,
your Son Jesus Christ was presented as a child in the temple
to be the hope of your people;
grant us pure hearts and minds
that we may be transformed into his likeness,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever. Amen.**

Notices

Men’s Breakfast Saturday 9th Feb 8.30am. At our first Breakfast meeting of the year we will hear from Rev’d Bob Tremewan, husband of our new Missioner Priest. We will hear about his life circle both as a family man and his life leading up to the Priesthood and through that period to where he is today. This will be a very interesting talk, not to be missed as Bob will join us in the Parish.

Enquiries to Max on 027 4345 781. Please remember that we do have a small Koha to help with expenses.

Prayer List—for the last few weeks I have been looking at the names in the first two segments of the prayer list, ie those in the parish facing health or other problems and those in residential care. Some of the names seem to have been on the list for a very, very long time, and I have no idea if they need or even should be on the list any longer.

In the next couple of weeks I plan to remove all the names and to start afresh. Anyone who wishes to go onto or to have someone added to the prayer list in either of the first two segments please give their name to Adrian, Rev’d Justine, or Martz. Please note that if the person to be added is someone other than yourself, you do need to have received their consent to be added.

Weekly activities at both Church sites & bookshop

Day	Activity	Time	
		(A) = St Ambrose site	(C) = St Chad’s site
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	(A)	9.45am
	Food Bank and Cafe	(A)	10am—12 Noon
	Handiscope	(A)	1-3 pm
	Foot Clinic	(C)	2nd Tues of the month - Contact Menna re time
	Parish Prayer Group	(A)	Ceased until further notice
Wednesday	Op Shop	(C)	9am to 12 noon
	Eucharist	(C)	10am
Thursday	Elder Care Group	(A)	10am—12.30pm
Friday	Op Shop	(C)	9am to 12 noon
	Morning Prayer	(A)	9.45 am
	Food Bank , Café and Fire-wood	(A)	10am—12 Noon
	Te Reo Service	(C)	11am
	Community Lunch - cost of meal \$5.00	(C)	12 noon
Saturday	Messy Church	(A)	1st Saturday of the month—but not in January
Sunday	Eucharist	(C)	10am
At the Barnabas Bookshop site			
Days open	Tuesday through Saturday inclusive (excludes Public Holidays)		Tuesday 10am to 4pm

Next Week’s Bible Readings — 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 6: 1-8

1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Luke 5: 1-11