

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 — 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 16: 2-15

Philippians 1: 21-30

Matthew 20: 1-16

INTRODUCTION

Bishop Peter writes - Kia ora te whanau,

This week is Māori language week. To deepen Māori culture within Aotearoa, we must strengthen the use of the Māori language. Most of us find learning another language challenging. In my own faltering journey to learn Te Reo, with special reference to the life of the church, I have found it useful to learn two frequent prayers by heart: the Lord's Prayer (e.g. NZPB, p.418) and the Grace (e.g. NZPB, p.52). Might that be something we all aspire to do between now and Te Wiki o Te Reo 2027 (Maori Language week 2027)?

*Kia tau ki a tātou katoa
te atawhai o tō tātou Ariki, o Īhu Karaiti,
me te aroha o te Atua,
me to whiwhinga tahitanga ki te Wairua Tapu.
Āke ake ake. Āmine.*

May there be, with you all
the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.
Forever and ever. Amen.

Sentence

By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. *Ephesians 2:8–9*

Collect

**God, you have given us a lodging in this world
but not an abiding city.
Help us, as a pilgrim people, to endure hardness,
knowing that at the end of our journey
Christ has prepared a place for us.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.**

Notices

Vestry – Next Sunday 20th September 11.45 am in the Oswald lounge.

At 7pm on Wednesday 21st October, Bishop Peter will ordain the Reverend Dr **André Muller** to the priesthood (venue in East Christchurch to be confirmed).

Find the latest issue 89 of our Diocesan print AnglicanLife magazine (with a VIP Tamariki pull-out featuring activities for children and their guardians/carers) – ask the welcomers or Martz for a copy.

Churches: New, sustainable funding streams & proactively serving our communities 2pm-3.30pm on Thursday, 1 October at the Anglican Centre, 95 Tuam Street, Christchurch CBD. Join us for a **free in-person workshop with Steven Moe** from Parry Field Lawyers. **Register for free online at** <https://events.humanitix.com/churches-new-and-sustainable-funding-streams-and-proactively-serving-our-communities>

Workshop topics: Moving beyond the 'charity mindset', Leveraging impact investing to gain funding, Legal structures, governance, and dos and don'ts.

An updated version of The Cycle of Prayer for the Christchurch Diocese is now available for downloading. Go to the Diocese website - online at <https://www.anglicanlife.org.nz/prayer-resources/> and scroll down to Cycle of Prayer 2026.

Weekly activities at both Church sites & bookshop		
Day	Activity	Time
<i>(A) = St Ambrose site</i>		<i>(C) = St Chad's site</i>
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	<i>(A)</i> 9.45am
	Food Bank and Cafe	<i>(A)</i> 10am to 12 Noon
	Handiscope	<i>(A)</i> 1-3 pm
	Foot Clinic	<i>(C)</i> 2nd Tues of the month - Contact Menna re time
	Games Afternoon	<i>(C)</i> 3 rd Tues of the month – Contact Menna re time
Wednesday	Op Shop	<i>(C)</i> 9am to 12 noon
	Eucharist	<i>(C)</i> 10am
	Chair Yoga (cost \$5)	<i>(C)</i> 1.30pm to 2.30pm
Thursday	Elder Care Group	<i>(A)</i> 10am to 12.30pm
Friday	Op Shop	<i>(C)</i> 9am to 12 noon
	Morning Prayer	<i>(A)</i> 9.45am
	Food Bank, Café and Firewood	<i>(A)</i> 10am to 12 Noon
	Te Reo Service	<i>(C)</i> 11am
	Community Lunch - cost of meal \$5.00	<i>(C)</i> 12 noon
Saturday	Messy Church	<i>(A)</i> 1st Saturday of the month — 3pm to 4.30pm
Sunday	Eucharist	<i>(C)</i> 10am
<i>At the Barnabas Bookshop site - at 121 Seaview Road, New Brighton, in the mall there behind the Happy Feet shop.</i>		
Days open	Wednesday through Saturday inclusive (excludes Public Holidays)	10am to 4pm

Next Week's Bible Readings — 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 17: 1-7

Philippians 2: 1-13

Matthew 21: 23-32

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St Ambrose Church is at 309 Breezes Road, just off Pages Road

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Donations to the Parish may be made to our bank account which is:

Name: Parish of Linwood — Aranui: No: 03-1700-0214522-00.

Add your name and “donation” as references.

Notice (con')

Holy Trinity Avonside invites you at 2-4pm on 26 September for Historic Graveyard tours, knowledgeable guides. ANZAC Bickies tea coffee \$10 person children free. See yesterday year toy displays in our fabulous church building.

