



Meg's Crumbs;

About a month ago we heard the gospel story of the haemorrhaging woman and how just touching Jesus garment healed her. In that passage we hear that Jesus felt power go out of him. We also hear in the gospel how Jesus often retreated to the wilderness or to mountains to rest and restore himself before he carried on with his ministry. I think this is a good reminder to us to take moments of rest and quiet and peace wherever we can in our busy lives. It doesn't need to be more than two or three minutes, but stopping turning off your brain and sitting with Jesus can be so rewarding and recharging. Just remember how much better Elijah felt when God gave him something to eat and let him have sleep. It just goes to prove that sometimes all you need is a snack and a nap. And Jesus 😊

Manaakitia koutou

Sunday's Readings;

Zech 9:9-12

Roman 7:15-25a

Matt 11:16, 25-30

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest,' says the Lord. 'Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart.'

Matthew 11:28-29

Prayer of the day;

E te Atua tino tapu, ora tonu,
whakaūngia tō mātou whakapono
ki tāu huarahi i whakatakoto ai,
kia kore ai e whakaritea te āhua o ō
mātou mauri
ki ngā mahi kua oti i a mātou, i ngā
mahī rānei kāore i tutuki,
engari ki te kaha o tā mātou piri ki tāu e
pai ai.
Whakarongo ki tēnei inoi i runga i tōu
aroha.

Āmine.

Holy and eternal God, give us such trust in your sure purpose, that we measure our lives not by what we have done or failed to do, but by our faithfulness to you.

Hear this prayer for your love's sake.

Amen.

Prayer for the Day;

Within our parish, we pray for the blessing of so many wonderful children in our church family. We pray Jesus that you walk alongside them in their journey of faith no matter their age and that the Holy Spirit stirs within them as an assurance as they grow and question and learn. Outside our parish we pray for all the children on school holidays. We pray that they get rest as well as lots of play. We pray the sun shines for them and they are able to enjoy the beautiful nature of the place we live in. Keep drivers mindful that little people are about and keep safe each and every child in our beautiful country of Aotearoa.

Notices

INDUCTION OF SUE PATON

On Wednesday 8 July 2026 at 6pm, the Reverend Sue Paton will be inducted as Vicar of Temuka-Te Ngawai at St Alban's, Pleasant Point - 12 Munro Street.
All are welcome.

CHANGE OF LOCK BOX CODE

The lock box code for the hall building has been changed on 1st July 2026. If you require access to this new code, please let a warden know while Janna is away.

For security and insurance purposes, we will be recording who knows this new code.

OFFICE CLOSED

Parish Admin (Janna) will be on leave from Thursday, 2nd July; until Monday, 13th July.

The office will be open on Monday, 13th July, for the normal office hours.

During this time, the office email and phone will not be checked.

Rev. Meg will still have her office hours on Tuesday, 7th July from 10 am - 1 pm as usual.

ROSTER AVAILABILITY

Let the office know of your roster availability for August and September 2026. Please have this to the by office by 13th July 2026.

MISSING ITEMS

Have you seen our basket used for food items - this normally lives at the back of the church, it was put in the hall building.
I am also on the hunt for the Red, Orange, and Yellow material that was used for Pentecost. again, it was left in the hall building.

If you happen to know where these items are please let the office know.

SPROUTS RETURN

Sprouts return on Sunday, 19th July.

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