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The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings
Encompassing St Matthew's, Hastings & St Peter's, Riverslea
September - November 2022



COME – Celebrate – Confirm – Commit – COME

10am, Sunday 25 September is a momentous occasion in the life of The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings. Bishop Andrew Hedge will be present with us to celebrate the Patronal Festival of St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist at a Combined Service of Worship.

Bishop Andrew will on this day preside over two Confirmations & one Renewal of commitment to Christian service. These three people have journeyed together in conversation over the last few months, & it would be wonderful as a Parish to gather with them to celebrate this significant occasion in their lives. Please hold Mika, Mark & Dennis in your prayers.

The week prior to the Bishop's visitation is Diocesan Synod. At this year's Synod the Anglican Parishes of St Matthew's & St Peter's will cease & The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings will be formed. Come celebrate on Sunday 25 September at 10am this new creation which encompasses St Matthew's, Hastings; St Peter's, Riverslea; St Martin's, Mayfair; Parkvale, Mahora & Flaxmere.

Come back to church on Sunday 25 September, 10am as we celebrate together in unity as Christian communities in the heart of Hastings. This is a great opportunity for us to engage as faith communities & wider community. Please invite your friends, family, neighbours & acquaintances back to church for this special occasion.

The Venerable David van Oeveren - Priest-In-Charge

Ministries to Children - Young People - & Families

Everything we do across Greater Hastings has an element of all-age / intergenerational ministry. We are extremely fortunate in Greater Hastings to have some exceptionally great Children – Young People – & Families ministries.

Waiapu Kids St Matthew's

<https://stmatthews.waiapukids.nz/> provides quality care & early childhood education. This fabulous centre incorporates cultural diversity, strengths & interests into play & learning, providing a positive environment & smooth transition to school.

Marty's Music runs every Friday of Term time at 10am. Held in St Martin's Community Hall, Mayfair this music movement, & playgroup opportunity for parents, caregivers & children offers a wonderful social opportunity to meet others in similar situations.

Our formal educational offerings move from the pre-school of Waiapu Kids to **St Matthew's Primary School** <http://www.stmatthewsprimary.school.nz/> which is an Anglican integrated school, our Parish school. As a full primary, Years 1 – 8, the schools' enrolment policy does not discriminate between faiths or baptismal status, which allows us to celebrate a diverse range of cultural & religious expressions.

In both **Waiapu Kids** & **St Matthew's Primary School** the importance of teaching Christian values is affirmed as an integral part of learning. Both welcome Parish Clergy (Chaplains) & Parishioners celebrating the special character & exploring the Christian faith.

Messy Church Greater Hastings is extremely fortunate to be able to offer two faith communities.

Messy Church St Matthew's meets at 4pm on the 2nd Saturday of the month in the St Matthew's Church Hall.

Messy Church St Martin's meets at 4pm on the last Saturday of the month. Whilst both have their own distinct flavours, they strive to be a relaxed style of church suitable for all ages. Messy Church values being Christ-centred, inter-generational, based on creativity, celebration, & hospitality.

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PARISH CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

MISSION MONTH supporting Anglican Missions & New Zealand Church Missionary Society our mission agencies of choice.

Thursday 1 September – Tuesday 4 October =

SEASON OF CREATION 2022: <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

Thursday 1, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Thursday 1, 11am. TEAM GATHERING for Clergy.

Sunday 4: Father's Day

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Tuesday 6, 10am. Senior Chef. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Thursday 8, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Thursday 8, 4.30pm – Building Remediation & Fundraising Working Group.

11 September 2001. 21st Anniversary of the 9/11 Attacks.

Sunday 11: Te wiki o te reo Maori (Maori language week).

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Peter's, Riverslea.

2pm. Hastings Music Society Concert @ St Matthew's.

Tuesday 13, 10am. Senior Chef. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Thursday 15, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Thursday 15 – Saturday 17 (inclusive) – DIOCESAN SYNOD – Mt Maunganui, Bay of Plenty.

Sunday 18:

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Monday 19 - Friday 23, 12-1pm. Hastings Blossom Festival Lunchtime Concerts @ St Matthew's, Hastings.

Tuesday 20, 10am. Senior Chef. St Peter's, Riverslea.

21 September. St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist. (Western Church).

Thursday 22, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Saturday 24, all day. Hastings Blossom Festival Interfaith Exhibition open to the public in St Matthew's Church.

Saturday 24, 1pm. Hastings Blossom Festival Parade.

Saturday 24, 4pm. MESSY CHURCH St Martin's Community Hall, Mayfair.

Sunday 25: Daylight Saving Begins.

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

A combined service for Confirmation & Renewal of Commitment to Christian Service & Discipleship with Bishop Andrew Hedge. PATRONAL FESTIVAL OF ST MATTHEW, Apostle, Evangelist.

12pm. Hastings Blossom Festival Interfaith Exhibition in St Matthew's Church.

3pm. Hastings Blossom Festival Interfaith Exhibition Closing & Civic Service in St Matthew's Church.

Tuesday 27, 10am. Senior Chef. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Wednesday 28, 11.45am – Men's Fellowship Lunch.

Wednesday 28, 7.15pm. Greater Hastings VESTRY.

Thursday 29, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Friday 30. Term 3 Ends.

OCTOBER

Sunday 2: Feast of St Francis of Assisi, Friar, 1226.

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Tuesday 4, 10am. Senior Chef. St Peter's, Riverslea.

4 October. Francis of Assisi, Friar, 1226.

Wednesday 5, 4.30pm – Building Remediation & Fundraising Working Group.

Thursday 6, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Thursday 6, 11am. TEAM GATHERING for Clergy.

Saturday 8, 1.30pm. Marriage of Alex Riach & Reece Hamilton @ St Matthew's, Hastings.

Saturday 8, 4pm. MESSY CHURCH St Matthew's Church Hall, Hastings.

Sunday 9: Week of Prayer for World Peace.

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings.



10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Peter's, Riverslea.

2pm. Hastings Music Society Concert @ St Matthew's. Bay Cities' Symphonic Band.

Tuesday 11 – Thursday 13. Clergy Conference in Tauranga. Navigating The Future: Leading & Enabling Mission in the Local Church.

Tuesday 11, 10am. Senior Chef. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Thursday 13, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Sunday 16: Week of Prayer for World Peace.

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Monday 17. Term 4 Begins.

Tuesday 18, 10am. Senior Chef. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Thursday 20, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Friday 21 – Hawke's Bay Anniversary.

Sunday 23: Hawke's Bay Anniversary & Labour Weekend.

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Monday 24 – Labour Day.

Tuesday 25 – Saturday 29 (inclusive). General Synod Te Hinota Whanui – GSTHW – in Nelson.

Tuesday 25, 10am. Senior Chef. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Wednesday 26, 11.45am – Men's Fellowship Lunch.

Thursday 27, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Saturday 29, 4pm. MESSY CHURCH St Martin's Community Hall, Mayfair.

Sunday 30: All Saints' & All Souls' Days.

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings. All Saints' Day.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings. 5th Sunday COMBINED WORSHIP.

4pm. St Matthew's, Hastings. All Souls' Day Commemoration.

NOVEMBER

1 November. All Saints' Day.

Tuesday 1, 10am. Senior Chef. St Peter's, Riverslea.

2 November. All Souls' Day.

Wednesday 2, 4.30pm – Building Remediation & Fundraising Working Group.

Wednesday 2, 7.15pm. Greater Hastings VESTRY.

Thursday 3, 10.15am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

Thursday 3, 11am. TEAM GATHERING for Clergy.

5 November. Parihaka Peaceful Resistance, 1881.

Sunday 6:

8am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Matthew's, Hastings.

10am. St Peter's, Riverslea.

Senior Chef in Hastings



Very exciting news: Senior Chef in Hastings has a start date. Tuesday 6 September, 10am-1pm!

Our first Senior Chef will be held at St Peter's, Riverslea over 8-9 weeks. The course is very transportable & our intention is that St Martin's Community Hall, St Matthew's Church Hall & St Peter's Church will all be used to host subsequent courses.

If you want to put your name down, or even if you are just interested in finding out more about Senior Chef – please do get in touch with Ven. David van Oeveren 06 211 3457 / 021 470 337 / david.vanoeveren@waiapu.com

The 1pm finishing time is so that participants can sit down & eat the fruits of their labours together – the course comes complete with lunch. This is such a positive, practical & enjoyable thing to do – I am really looking forward to seeing it become part of our community life.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Baptism: Roman Eli WILLIAMS
Cece May LATEGAN

Funerals: Margaret WILTON
Matilda Patricia Frances
(Frances) SHOTTER
Gladys Ada CHETWIN





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Growing Through Grief service <https://acw.org.nz/grief-services/> is a peer-support change, loss, & grief programme that aims to strengthen the social & emotional wellbeing of Children, Young People & Adults who have experienced significant loss & change. Seasons for Growth is an education programme, which aims to strengthen the social & emotional wellbeing of those attending, it does not provide counselling or therapy. The metaphor of the four seasons provides a framework within which participants can explore their experiences of grief with others, develop skills & understanding, & restore self-esteem & self-confidence. Season for Growth respects all cultural & spiritual beliefs.

We have a wonderfully eclectic range of ministries for Children, Young People & Families within The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings, let's not hide our lit lamps under bushel baskets, let's share them with our communities.

Messy Church St Martin's

Church but not as you know it.

You don't have to be quiet. In fact you are encouraged to be creative, involved and to participate. All ages are welcome and enjoy learning from one another.

This year we have actively studied:- Salt and Light, Baptism, Pentecost, Saint Peter, and Doing our Personal Best for God.

Usually we do art and craft activities and games around the theme, followed by a celebration time of teaching, singing, and prayer, then finish by sitting down and enjoying a nutritious meal together. Ice-cream cone guaranteed for pudding though.

Come taste and see if it is for you. Messy Church St Martin's is held on the last Saturday of each month, at St Martin's Community Hall, 1120 Willowpark Road North (Next to Mayfair School).

Feel free to contact Marilyn and Warwick on 877 4639, or Michelle on 0278571543 for further information.

A Messy Church Poem

I like how they at Messy Church teach the ways of God.
They tell us all but I forget.
The show us all and some does stick.
They involve us all with hand on stuff.
Shoulder to shoulder kindly not gruff.
Encourage and help when things get tough.
Yeah, that's how I learn best.
That's how I learn best.

When I arrive with family we're welcomed by name.
Excitement high I'm ready to go.
Welcome pack name tag in tow.
Where do I start? What's offered today?
There's arts and crafts food and play.
Did I see food? Well I'm on my way.
Yeah, that's how I learn best.
That's how I learn best.

At five o'clock we go next door for prayer, music, song.
The sessions theme is recapped here.
The Kingdom of Heaven has come near.
With God's inclusion the team is able.
To share good news be the gospel.
With God all things are possible.
Yeah, that's how I learn best.
That's how I learn best.

Oh come on people. Aren't you hungry too?
Wash hands, find a seat. Who's saying grace?
What a wonderful way to end a Messy Church programme.
Everyone together sharing a meal.

Amen



Getting creative and glad to be back at Messy Church, making a doll's bed that's still used regularly!

Image courtesy of: Malachi Kawana



Messy Church

We look forward to seeing the young and young at heart for fun, fellowship and a shared meal at:

- ◆ **St Martin's Community Hall, 1120 Willowpark Road North, Mayfair**
 - ◆ **on 24 September & 29 October, 4-6pm**
- &
- ◆ **St Matthew's Church Hall, 200 King Street South, Hastings**
 - ◆ **on 8 October & 12 November, 4-6pm**

Children under 14 accompanied by an adult please.



**Change and loss are part of life.
Grief is a normal response to loss.**

Growing Through Grief provides grief and loss programmes/learning for children, young people, adults and parents as well as professional development seminars.

Seasons for Growth™ – is an innovative grief and loss education program that uses the imagery of the seasons to illustrate the experience of grief. It aims to strengthen the social and emotional wellbeing of children, young people and adults who are dealing with significant life changes.

It helps people learn that they are not alone in dealing with the effects of change and offers help in understanding their experience and attends well to their grief following a major loss experience.

Children's/Young people programmes: Run termly, once a week for 1 hour, for 8 or 9 weeks. These are run either in some schools or in afterschool locations, \$20 .

Adult programmes: Exploring the Seasons of Grief Run at various times of the year, 4 sessions, 2.5 hours per session, \$30 .

Parents workshops: Supporting your child following the death of someone they love , Supporting our child following a separation or divorce. Run at various times in the year, 1-2 sessions, 2.5 hours per session, \$20.

Professional Development seminar: Understanding Change, Loss and Grief. Run at various times in the year, 3.5 hour seminar, \$50

Life Threatening Illness (LTI) program: A four session peer support program for children and young people who are living in a family of someone who is unwell. Run at various times either in school or afterschool locations. All programmes/workshops/seminars have an enrolment process.

www.acw.org.nz/grief-services/

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The Return of Blossom Festival Lunchtime Concerts

We will once again be hosting our annual Blossom Festival Lunchtime Concert Series in St Matthew's Anglican Church, 200 King Street South, Hastings.

We invite you to take a different kind of lunch break & to come along to experience the diverse musical talents of local students & musicians.

Bring along your lunch, sit back, relax & be transported to another realm.

Monday 19 September, 12pm.

St Matthew's Primary School.

Tuesday 20 September, 12pm.

Woodford House School.

Wednesday 21 September,

12pm. Hastings Girls' High School.

Thursday 22 September, 12pm.

Hastings Boys' High School.

Friday 23 September, 12pm.

Iona College.

It is a great delight to make this happen in 2022. We are already preparing for 2023 with the introduction of a Matariki Lunchtime Series in the week of Monday 17 – Friday 21 July, to be followed by Blossom Festival Lunchtime Concerts in September.

Greater Hastings Op Shop @ St Martin's Community Hall

Petal Clark has announced that after many years of dedicated voluntary service to the Op Shop in Mayfair she will finish working at the end of this year. We have much to thank Petal for and will do so as the year draws to a close.

We are now on the look out for a volunteer Op Shop manager, someone who can keep the passion going.

If you, or someone you know, would like to express your interest in this voluntary position please contact Ven. David van Oeveren 06 211 3457 / 021 470 337 / david.vanoeveren@waiapu.com

The Op Shop is currently open every Tuesday morning from 8am-12noon at St Martin's Community Hall, Mayfair. Occasionally open on a Saturday or by request for RSE Workers.

Expressions of Interest are now being sought for this volunteer Op Shop manager role, are you that person?



September is Mission Month

Did you know that Anglican Missions <https://angmissions.org.nz/home> & the New Zealand Church Missionary Society <https://www.nzcms.org.nz/> are our Anglican mission agencies?

September is Mission Month, a time where we will encourage learning more about, praying for, & supporting overseas mission.

It would be wonderful if we could form a group of Mission Motivators, who are mission champions in each of our faith communities. These Mission Motivators would promote mission through our agencies of choice – Anglican Missions & NZCMS. If you are passionate about mission, please get in touch with Ven. David van Oeveren.

Both Anglican Missions & NZCMS have wonderful resources available for Mission Month that can be used in worship, bible studies & faith community gatherings.

Of particular note during September is the opportunity to be a part of the Mapping Project. This is an exciting & historic piece of research that will help to better understand the projects that are being undertaken by our church communities in Aotearoa New Zealand. Anglican Missions encourages as many people involved with Mission work & the Anglican Church to fill out a survey. Your participation will help Anglican Missions to better support projects & will give an understanding of what Parishes are interested in supporting.

**Let's make Mission Month count as we support our Mission agencies of choice –
Anglican Missions & NZCMS!**



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