### PRAYER

#### Please pray and give thanks for:

- Ron & Rita with Josie and Isoa Manulevu who have relocated to Auckland for work.
- The General Election—locally and nationally as we become informed, attend candidate meetings and view the debates and proceed to vote on Sat. 14th October.
- The unwell and their blessing: Shirley Redpath, Laura Bishop, Paul Evans, Jenny Lawrence, Barbara Cosgrove, Jocelyn Williams and those known to us who have current health issues.
- Our Bishop Justin and the Wellington Diocese, especially for the annual Synod in Masterton 14-15 October.
- Our SGM at St Anne's 15 Oct.

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#### Leading Your Church into Growth A CONFERENCE 17-19 October Anglican Chinese Mission

- Encourages Parish Flourishing, and
- Church Planting Terry will attend—who will join him? Who will pray with him?
  Followup discussions in te Whare: Wednesday Evenings 7:30-9pm 25 October, 1 & 8 November.

## **OCTOBER SUNDAY WORSHIP**

#### DAY EVENT

- Sun 1 Oct 10am Worship & HC—Theme: *Change of Mind*
- Sun 8 Oct 10am Worship & HC—Theme: *The Fruit & Commandments*
- Sun 15 Oct 10am Guest Service Worship—Theme: More on Change of Mind
- Sun 22 Oct 10am Worship & HC— Theme: The Glory of God
- Sun 29 Oct 10am Worship— Theme: Succession

Wednesday Prayer—each Wednesday 2-3pm with Afternoon tea. Transport available.

**Friday Worship**—a short worship service (30') at noon each Friday followed by light lunch—bring and share. The service will vary between midday prayer & shortened Holy Communion. A Focus: Healing Prayer.



## PARISH NEWS October 2023

## The Fruits of the Kingdom

Throughout October we will be reading from Exodus during our Sunday services. In these readings we will note how Moses regularly intercedes for the people before God as they journey through the wilderness. We will observe how they respond to delay, disappointment, lack and their fears. We will also notice the frank prayers of Moses who regularly reminds God that Egypt is watching and that his people are discouraged. God's responses are instructive.

We will note the parallels between Israel's wilderness wanderings and, the struggles of people in Jesus' day to understand the nature of God. Moses' wisdom will be compared and contrasted with Jesus'. And we will ask also how much we understand the nature of God in our day.

On 8th October we will wrestle with the Scripture,

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. Matthew 21:43 And we will ask how are we producing the fruits of the kingdom in our lives and community at te Whare? Perhaps this can be our homework for the month: How are the fruits of the kingdom manifested amongst us? ... Terry

# **Parish SGM**

A meeting to hear back from the Diocese about the future of St Anne's, based on the likely cost of repairing the buildings. We may well decide to abandon St Anne's and retain Te Whare Karakia as our Parish Centre and place of worship.

Sunday 15th October 11:30am in St Anne's Foyer, 2 Arawhata Street, Ranui, Porirua

# ALPHA 2024

On Wed. 17 January 2024 an ALPHA course will begin in te Whare Karakia running from 6:30—9pm This will run for eleven weeks, ending in Holy Week. It will also include a Saturday 9:30am-4pm gathering on 2nd March to learn about and experience the Holy Spirit. You can learn more & register to participate in this Course here:

https://tinyurl.com/poriruaalpha