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DEAR FRIENDS,

Well we are finally enjoying some more settled weather. The flowers are blooming and the bees are buzzing. I have had one hive (the same one) that swarmed twice, once just after Christine came back from the Waikato. They were rehoused in another hive and then two weeks later another had to be re-hived before escaping entirely. This last week I have noticed the veg garden is really shooting away; corn and broccoli especially.

Now we are planning for White Ribbon and the Christmas services. It is a lovely time of year but it does start to get busy doesn't it? We are currently planning to retire a little earlier in the light of Christine's health complications. Instead of waiting till the 31<sup>st</sup> of January I have decided to bring it forward to the 3<sup>rd</sup> of January, as I have holiday leave accrued for 2021. I see little point now in having a few weeks off and then coming back to finish; this will make life a lot simpler for us.

It is a practice within our church for the old minister to leave to allow the new ministry to establish themselves. This helps the congregation adjust to having a new spiritual leadership. This is a time of transition when old loyalties are transferred. I believe the Rev Bob & Josie Maslin did this very well and we very much appreciated their support. I mentioned at our AGM that the period of a new ministry is referred to as the honeymoon. What then do we call it when they leave, a divorce?? In some ways it feels like that but I assure you that you will still be in our hearts and prayers. We will try to visit occasionally to say hi when we deem it suitable. Yes there may be time when I am able to assist your new ministry team but that will always be with your new ministry team's approval. Your friendship will always remain very important for us.

It has been an amazing journey since we started with you in 2007. I remember saying to Professor Ted Corbett and his wife Edith (old parishioners) that I didn't think I was intellectual and traditional enough for St Columba, but they reassured me I was doing just fine. I have learnt to tone down my more radical and impulsive ideas (but every now and then they break out J) but what joy it has become to serve you. We have learnt so much ministering with you and feel we are much better ministers because of our time at St Columba. I would like to have seen more progress in our life together but I have loved serving with you and we are content. I do see the building blocks are there for growth. You have been a spiritual home for us where we have enjoyed many friendships over the years and still and will do. We have also enjoyed wonderful support in times of crisis when I had my subarachnoid haemorrhage and now that Christine has had her heart attack. We have also known many wonderful saints who have gone onto glory.

One of my favourite verses comes from Deuteronomy 33:27 "the eternal God is our refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms." Isn't that so comforting? Our heavenly Father is almighty and everlasting and his care enfolds us in every situation in life. Nothing is beyond his care and so we face every situation in life with confidence; we do not despair. Jesus said not even a sparrow falls to the ground without our heavenly Father knowing and he knows the number of hairs on our heads, Matthew 6:29-30. Wow! That really is the extent of God's provision for us.

The legacies we want to leave are of a community that loves Jesus passionately and is prepared to love others extravagantly with all their imperfections and problems. The church is to be a Jesus-safe haven, where we can make mistakes, grow and even fail and still be loved. You have been that for us.

May you all know how highly you are esteemed by God and Christine and myself. Thank you so much for all your love and prayers. It has been humbling and a privilege to serve alongside you as we served God and our community.

*Blessings Donald & Christine*

Rev Donald and Christine's farewell is the 13th December after the morning service. This will have a Christmas theme. It is a catered brunch and you are all very welcome!



## QUARTERLY COMMUNION

*An invitation is extended to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ to join us for the Communion Service*

**Sunday 13th December 2020 at 9.30am**



## RUTH'S ROSY RAMBLINGS

Who knew our light in the darkness would be shining so widely in our community!

We have Indoor Bowls on a Monday night, Staff Meeting on a Tuesday morning with Fitness Fun moving with such enthusiasm next door, the squeals of delight (or not!) from downstairs of the children and their loved ones playing, chatting exploring the toys and games and fruit concoctions with little treats. We have young people dancing multiple times during the week, upskilling towards competitions. One of the ministries is Care n Craft on Wednesday's. This began in war time and has morphed into crafts and entertainment for those in the community that need the interaction and the variety in their week. Artistic Belly dancing features on a Thursday night and colours the hall with movement and laughter. Ballroom Dancing and Ukelele Classes fill the space on a Friday night with elegance and rhythm upstairs and downstairs. The Basement Boutique provides colour and joy to the community 3 days a week as people come to give, to take, to treasure and to gift. They are a shining light in our community.



Add to that the subcontractors that are in and out testing, tagging, assessing and making noise - my life is never quiet; neither is it boring.

One of our ministries is cooperating with the Department of Corrections who provide us the opportunity to help, train, enjoy the people and make use of their abilities for the betterment of St Columba.

I am blessed that I have a work space with a LOAD of variety, a bundle of interaction, a bunch of helpers, a collection of support, and a large family of encouragement. Never ever is my life without vibrancy or laughter. You are welcome anytime to come feel the warmth that I feel in this place.

*The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes. Psalm 19 v 8*



Ruth Scott

## DOES THE BIBLE SAY WE REALLY HAVE TO GO TO CHURCH?

It's 7:30 AM on a Sunday morning. The week was busy, exhausting you could even say. There were school projects, work deadlines and mountains of laundry at every turn with hardly a moment to catch your breath. Saturday was devoted to early morning soccer games and a family birthday party. The one thing you do not want to do on the last morning of the weekend is get ready and drive to church. It would be so much easier to keep your pajamas on, enjoy a slow morning and listen to a podcast later to make sure you get your spiritual fill up before starting a new week.

I'm no stranger to longing for restful days at home in place of regular church attendance. And I'm sure you aren't either. Our lives are harried. Our bodies are weary. Our schedules are overloaded. What's the harm in watching the service online rather than attending in person? Or skipping on the weeks our kids have sports games? Or taking a month off to recharge when life is busy?

The harm is this: God designed church to be an irreplaceable catalyst of growth for every Christian. When you skip church, you miss out on some of the spiritual gains God has planned for you.

[Bible](#) study, prayer and small groups are great but they won't bolster you to full maturity without adding church into the mix. Think of an athlete who focuses solely on building their arms while letting their legs waste away. They look awkward and imbalanced. In the same way, Christians who don't regularly attend and engage with a church will be lacking in spiritual strength no matter how much they pray and read their Bible on their own.

Thankfully, God gives us several clear descriptions of what it looks like to be a healthy, committed member of a church. Let's look at three times the Bible tells us how often we should attend church:

### **1. We should attend church often enough to show we care deeply about it**

"And let us watch out for one another to provoke love and good works, not neglecting to gather together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging each other, and all the more as you see the day approaching" ([Hebrews 10:25](#)).

What does it mean to neglect gathering together? It means to fail to care properly for church. If someone neglects meeting together with their church, it means they leave church attendance behind in the pursuit of other concerns and cares. Whether those cares are hobbies, dealing with conflicts or a date with their pillow, Scripture is clear: Some are in the habit of doing this, but you shouldn't be one of them!

We can summarize it in this way: Church attendance

should be the norm and missing church should be the exception, and not the other way around. This means that we should strive to meet weekly with our church body, in person. And while we're there we should engage in relationship and service to others. If you could somehow look at a record of your church attendance for the past year, it should show that you cherish the church and that you attend accordingly.

## **2. We should attend church persistently and with perseverance**

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer" ([Acts 2:42](#))

The early church as described in Acts was full of radical growth, outrageous miracles and genuine, joy-filled relationships. Doesn't this sound like the church we all want to attend? In this time when the church was thriving, [Acts 2:42](#) uses an interesting word to describe the believers in the church. They were devoted. This word in the Greek means to persist, to persevere in and continue steadfast in.

Maybe you are in a season where church is hard. It's not the time or the busyness that's kept you from attending, it's the emotions that rise up in you when you enter the building and rub shoulders with the people.

It may encourage you to know that Scripture says we should persist and persevere in our commitment to the church. And there's hardly any persistence needed in times of ease, so these verses must be talking about pressing in even when times are hard.

These verses also give us the four areas of church we should be devoted to. If you've stepped away from church or have never been fully committed, then these could be seen as four steps to devote or re-devote yourself to the house of God.

The church in Acts devoted themselves to:

- Teachings of the Apostles - We should be committed to learning from the teaching of the Bible in our church.
- Fellowship - We should be committed to partnership and participation with our church.
- Breaking of Bread - We should strive for time spent face to face around a table and not just shoulder to shoulder in the rows of the sanctuary.
- Prayer - We should pray for and with members of our church.

## **3. We should attend church like our role in it is vital to its growth and health**

"And he himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, equipping the saints for the work of the ministry, to build up the body of Christ, until we all reach unity in the [faith](#) and in the knowledge of God's Son, growing into maturity with a stature measured by Christ's fullness ...

From him the whole body, fitted and knitted together by every supporting ligament, promotes the growth of the body for building itself in love by the proper working of each individual part" ([Ephesians 4:11-13](#), 16).

The Bible frequently refers to the church as the body of Christ and to its members as individual parts of the body. Like the various systems, organs, and muscles of a body cannot function without each other, God created us to be interdependent and interconnected. No person can choose to live independently from the rest of the body of Christ without causing harm to themselves and to the rest of the church.

You need the people of the church and the people of the church need you. The church needs you to show up on Sunday, tired as you may feel and disheveled as you may appear. The woman in the seat next to you needs you to shake her hand and say, "I'm glad you're here." The new family visiting needs you to serve in the kids' rooms so they can hear the gospel in the service. A family in your small group needs you pray to for them as they work to heal their marriage.

Just as the church's role in your life is irreplaceable, so is your role in the church. How would it change your perspective when your alarm goes off on Sunday morning if you knew that when you enter the church doors, you would be doing things no one else could do to build up those around you? And not only that, but you will be doing it alongside people who will be building you up as well!

The Bible doesn't give us a specific number of times per month we should attend church, but it does speak about the heart we should have for the House of God. Our heart should hold the church dear, persevere in commitment and value the role we play in the body of Christ. If we align our hearts with God's word in these three areas, regular church attendance is the only possible outcome.

*Submitted by Neville Wilson*



## THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

John 8:12 " I am the light of the world, whoever follows me will have the light of life and will not walk in darkness."

When a person walks with the sun shining behind him, he casts a dark shadow in front of him; when a person follows the Son of God, the true light, his shadow falls behind him.

Some people try to live their lives by asking Jesus to follow the way they are going, and miss his blessing. But the Gospel, the Good News, says "repent", "about turn", and follow your leader, the Lord Jesus, the True Light, and you will enjoy life in all its fullness.

*Submitted by Neville Harris*

## LIFE - BY CJ TOCKER

Well, we have to live a life in which the storm clouds are bound to come, and where any day the fog-bank may move down the mountainside and swiftly envelop us in its damp and deadly chill. When that happens it is well to remember that there is more than the storm-cloud and the fog-bank. There is also the sun. Moreover, both the storm-cloud and the fog-bank are temporary, while the sun is the permanent element.

Life's troubles pass, but God abides. And if we could stand back and look on what has happened to us , we would see not merely a passing black storm-cloud, or a grey bank of chill fog, but also a vision of heavenly beauty. And if we knew our Bible - which, alas too many today do not, to their great loss - we would remember that the rainbow is the symbol, our symbol and reminder of God's covenant with His Folk, we would recall the rainbow round about the throne, and the bow would be to us the bow of promise.

*Submitted by Christine Hegan*



## A GOOD MINISTER

St Columba Church is seeking a minister to succeed the Rev. Donald Hegan when he retires in January, 2021.

Here are a few thoughts from 1 Timothy concerning the character he/she must be in order to fulfill a God-given ministry in the service of God.

- 1) A Good Minister
- 2) A Godly Minister
- 3) A Growing Minister
- 4) A Gracious Minister

1) A preacher of the Good News. Young minister Timothy told of his great responsibility to study, teach and spend time in prayer. A "Good Minister must be nourished up in the words of faith." (1 Timothy 4:6)

As a consequence, he will be equipped to entrust the teachings to reliable people, who will be able to teach others also.

As he preaches the word he must also practise it. He will seek to win converts to Jesus Christ and help them to grow spiritually, and maintain a good conscience.

2) A Godly Minister. "Try to live a Godly life because no one will see the Lord without it." (Hebrews 12:14) "Physical exercise has some value, but spiritual exercise is valuable in every way." (1 Timothy 3:8)

If a minister puts as much energy and discipline into his spiritual life, as an athlete does into his sport, he will grow faster, and accomplish more for God. He will grow more Christ like every day.

Bodily exercise benefits us only during this life; Godly exercise benefits us now and for eternity. A healthy body can be used of God, but we must major on holiness. Godly character and conduct is the first priority. It enables a minister to be a good example and encourager to others.

3) A Growing Minister. In his living, teaching, preaching, and leading, a minister must give evidence of spiritual growth. His spiritual progress is an example to his flock and encouragement to others. He must cultivate his spiritual gifts that God has given him.

4) A Good Minister will preach God's word

A Godly Minister will practise the word

A Growing Minister will progress in the word

It is by God's grace that a minister is called to serve God. He therefore must be humble and have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had, and give to God the glory.

*Written by Neville Harris*

## MARY MAGDALENE

The verses in Scripture in which Mary Magdalene is mentioned are:

Matt 27:56 among whom were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's sons.

Matt 27:61 Mary Magdalene and the OTHER Mary

Matt 28:1 Mary and the OTHER Mary visit the tomb.

Mark 15:40 (At the cross) Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the Less and Joses & Salome.

V47 Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses observed where He was laid.

Luke 8:2 Mary Magdalene out of whom had come seven demons.

24:10 Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James and other women with them.

John: 19:25 (at the cross). Mary the mother of Jesus, her sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas and Mary Magdalene.

John 20:1 Mary Magdalene (by herself at the tomb).

John 20:18 Mary Magdalene told the other disciples she had seen the Lord.

The ONLY reference to her condition is that she had seven demons exorcised.

There is NO reference to her moral character in any way, i.e. a prostitute!!!!!!

So what do we know of Mary?

We can deduce that she was a Galilean from her name. Mary Magdalene is her name in Greek. This tells us she was from the town of Magdala in the Galilee. It is on the western shore with Nazareth about 15km to the west.

Her name in Hebrew is Miryam har Migdol. (Miriam from Migdol).

*Following is the promulgation of the error.*

*"The whole story of Mary as a prostitute, who is fallen and redeemed, is a very powerful image of **redemption**; a signal that no matter how low one has fallen, one can be redeemed.*

*Powerful as this image may be, it is not the story of Mary Magdalene. Mary Magdalene is mentioned in each of the four gospels in the **New Testament**, but not once does it mention that she was a*

*prostitute or a sinner. At some point Mary Magdalene became confused with two other women in the Bible: Mary, the sister of Martha, and the unnamed sinner from Luke's gospel (7:36-50) both of whom wash Jesus' feet with their hair. In the 6th Century, Pope Gregory the Great made this assumption official by declaring in a sermon that these three characters were actually the same person: Mary Magdalene, repentant saint. The **Catholic Church** did later declare that Mary Magdalene was not the penitent sinner, but this was not until 1969. After so long the reputation still lingers."*

*Excerpt from: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/christianity/history/marymagdalene.shtml>*

*Submitted by Alan Smith*

SOME THOUGHTS ON RELIGION FROM:

**A famous playwright:** *God has given you one face, and you make yourself another.*

*William Shakespeare*

**An American President:** *A thorough knowledge of the Bible is worth more than a college education.*

*Theodore Roosevelt*

**An Indian Leader:** *When I admire the wonders of a sunset or the beauty of the moon, my soul expands in the worship of the creator.*

*Mahatma Gandhi*

**A South African Bishop:** *When the missionaries came to Africa they had the Bible and we had the land. They said 'Let us pray.' We closed our eyes. When we opened them we had the Bible and they had the land.*

*Desmond Tutu*

**A Tibetan Spiritual Leader:** *There is no need for temples, no need for complicated philosophies. My brain and my heart are my temples; my philosophy is kindness.*

*Dalai Lama*

**A Heavyweight Boxing Champion:** *When Jesus comes back, these crazy, greedy, capitalistic men are gonna kill him again.*

*Mike Tyson*

**A Chinese Philosopher:** *Heaven means to be one with God.*

*Confucius*

*Submitted by Ron Buller*

## WHITE RIBBON

This will be held on the 22nd of November. After the service we will gather outside to put our white ribbon sticks, in the ground, and then will enjoy morning tea on the lawn.

On Friday 20th, we will have a manned stall for the day in the Cherrywood shopping area, as we did last year, to make people aware that any sort of violence towards women, men and children, is not okay. We had a very good response from the public, with some actually telling us their sad stories. It made those of us realise just how bad some peoples lives really are, and being able to talk about it to strangers, would have helped to ease their burden, by knowing that someone is prepared to listen.

Having this presence in the public arena was very rewarding for those who manned the stall, and also shows that we at St Columba care.

*Neville Wilson*

## CARE AND CRAFT

Care and Craft meet each Wednesday morning during the school term; hours between 9 am & 12-30 pm. We also provide morning tea, and lunch for those who can stay.

Care and Craft started here in St Columba in 1973. I joined in 1989 having previously helped for 4 years in Hamilton . It has been a joy and big part of my life.

We have guests from Matua retirement village and a number of intellectually challenged people.

Our activities are varied: weaving, knitting, painting and scrap bookwork. Also on the agenda we have fun days where we enjoy and participate in sports events and movie days. Once a month we have entertainment from various groups which enables us to have a sing- a- long and even have a dance. All good fun.

We are very lucky to have great facilities here at St Columba. To help with all this we do get grants.

At present our numbers are around 45, with 5 helpers; 2 in the kitchen help with catering. We also have volunteers including some from St Columba to help with baking.

We would love for more helpers to join us, especially to help with setting up the hall before our guests arrive, and we need someone who has organizational skills.

If you are fit and able to give us a hand we would love to have you on board. Give it some thought.

*Rita Owen*

## FRIDAY PRAYER MEETING

At present there are only 4-5 gentlemen meeting at 9am on a Friday morning; it only lasts about half an hour. It is a very special and practical time when we bring the membership and countrywide needs to the Lord. Can I challenge the congregation to be able to take this time to join us? Ladies are more than welcome!

*Ken Camp*

## BIBLE RIDDLE

“ I am not in heaven, I am not in hell and when I was on earth, I rebuked a sinful man?”

Who am I. ?????? See page 7

## MORE THAN ENOUGH

There is more than enough happiness to smile on us each day.

There’s more than enough of cheerfulness to help us on our way.

There’s more than enough friendliness and love in human hearts .

To bring so much of heaven to earth – If only someone starts.

## JOKE

I tried my hand at a jigsaw during the Covid lockdown. I was really pleased with my efforts because it only took 3 weeks and on the box it said 3-5 years.

## Christmas

Find words that are forward, up and down. No diagonal or backwards words.

1. LIGHTS  
2. SNOWMAN  
3. BELLS  
4. JOYFUL  
5. FRUITCAKE  
6. JESUS  
7. MANGER  
8. PRESENTS  
9. GIVING  
10. FAMILY

11. FRIENDSHIP  
12. BETHLEHEM  
13. CHURCH  
14. SINGING  
15. JINGLEBELLS  
16. THANKFUL  
17. NATIVITY  
18. SANTA  
19. RUDOLPH  
20. CHIMNEY

## JOKE

I just told my suitcases that we aren't going on holiday this year. Now I am dealing with emotional baggage....



ANSWER TO BIBLE RIDDLE: Numbers 22:28

### THE PERSON YOU WERE MEANT TO BE

If you can value truth above approval, and friendship over power, wealth or fame.

If you can share your gifts and talents wisely, leaving someone better off than when you came.

If you find happiness in simple pleasures, and see the rainbow not the falling rain.

If you have faith to keep right on believing in miracles that no one can explain.

If you live every day to your potential, and find the good in everything you see.

Then you'll be not just happy and successful, but the person only you were meant to be.

### PUNCTUATION IS POWERFUL

An English Professor wrote these words:

" A woman without her man is nothing" on the white board and asked his students to punctuate it correctly.

All the male students in the class wrote: "A woman, without her man, is nothing"

All the female students in the class wrote: "A woman, without her, man is nothing"

### THE TRAIN

At birth we boarded the train and met our parents, and we believe they will always travel on our side. However, at some station our parents will step down from the train, leaving us on the journey alone.

As time goes by, other people will board the train; and they will be significant i.e. our siblings, friends, children and even grandchildren.

Many will step down and leave a permanent vacuum. Other will go so unnoticed that we don't realize they vacated their seats. This train ride will be full of joy, sorrow, fantasy, expectations, hellos, goodbyes and farewells. Success consists of having a good relationship with all passengers, requiring that we give the best of ourselves.

The mystery to everyone is: We do not know at which station we ourselves will step down. So, we must live in the best way, love, forgive, and offer the best of who we are. It is important to do this because when the time comes for us to step down and leave out seat empty we should leave behind beautiful memories for those who will continue to travel on the train of life.

Lastly, I thank you for being one of the passengers on my train.

*Submitted by Claire Fisher*

### ONCE AGAIN WE TURN TO PRAYER

In these uncertain times when we feel unsettled because of the coronavirus' fierce grip on the whole world, we find that sometimes our faith fails us in our time of need. What can we do but turn to our Lord to ask for help? Our parents and grandparents knew the comfort and help that came though talking with God, and that trust is a very precious thing.

Our Heavenly Father promised that he would send His Holy Spirit to comfort and support us so we're never to feel alone or forsaken. When we were young we never really understood about this, but as we mature we begin to see things differently. There are thousands of prayers from every corner of the world in different languages all asking for love, peace, comfort, relief from pain or distress both for ourselves, our families and for others and our pleading will be heard and answered, but perhaps not in the way we were thinking.

A prayer from Northern Europe written several hundred years ago is as relevant today as it was then, and it can be sung:

Deep peace of the running wave to you  
Deep peace of the flowing air  
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you  
Deep peace of the shining stars  
Deep peace of the gentle night to you  
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you  
Deep peace of Christ the Light of the World to you  
Deep peace of Christ to you

When the prayer ends the music can flow over you forever as a Blessing of Peace.

*Elizabeth Monckton*



## MEN'S BREAKFAST

This month the breakfast will be on Saturday 28th at 8am. Please let the office at St Columba know. All men are welcome - we need to know for catering purposes.

## CHRIS COLE

### BRIXMIS cars and Check Point Charlie



My time as a British Army Officer serving in Berlin in charge of the BRIXMIS cars. These were used to cross through Check Point Charlie on a daily basis to 'show the flag' in East Berlin. They were also used to covertly carry Special Services personnel behind the Iron Curtain.

## BASEMENT BOUTIQUE

The Boutique is back better than ever!! It is busy and vibrant and we do thank all of our volunteers who work tirelessly to sort, iron, mend, decorate, sell, chat, welcome and count. This is a fabulous ministry to the community of Tauranga but especially to those around us.

We are in need of donations of kitchenware, material for the craft corner and wool. There has been an upturn of people's 'craftiness' and people have been buying up craft materials en masse!

These places thrive on word of mouth, so please feel free to advertise our wonderful Basement Boutique!!

Come and find a treasure - a bargain!

## HEALTH AND SAFETY

How blessed and fortunate have we in NZ been over the period of Covid's presence! I for one have become a little complacent and with the summer coming we don't even feel concerned about colds and flu.

I want to encourage everyone to keep a track of where they've been either by using the sign in app. on your phone or physically signing into buildings. I know these are sometimes not available as it is not compulsory, but Covid has a possibility of reappearing, so be aware of your own activities "just in case!"

I encourage each person to be responsible for themselves and keep themselves safe. Ensure those nearby are not likely to catch a virus from you because you are careful. You stay home if you are unwell and see your Dr. if you have symptoms of infection.

Have a happy healthy and enjoyable summer.

*Mary Findlay*

# ST COLUMBA CALENDAR

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP** Sundays at 9.30 am

## MONTHLY MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICE

First Wednesday of month @ 10 am in the Chapel

## EACH WEEK—REGULAR MEETINGS

Mondays	7.00 pm Indoor Bowls
Tuesdays	9.00 am Staff Meeting 10.30 am Play Group (excl school hols)
Wednesdays	9.30 am Care & Craft (excl school hols)
Wed/Thurs/Fri	10.00 am Basement Boutique (till 4 pm)
Thursdays	10.00 am Conversation Café (incl school hols) IN RECESS
Fridays	9.00 am Prayer Meeting 10.00 am Cuppa & Chat in Lounge
Sundays	8.45 am Prayers

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Tuesday	1.30 pm Session
3rd Tuesday	10.00 am O Team 2.00 pm Service at Mitchell Court 3.00 pm Service at Radius Matua
3rd Thursday	11.00 am Service at Bob Owens Village every third month
2nd Saturday	8 am (summer)/8.30 am (winter) WOW Breakfast

Men's Breakfast: Last Saturday in March, May, July, September, November at 8.00 am

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## PARISH REGISTER

Deaths: "In God's presence is fullness of joy"

30.8.20 AUDREY GRAYBURN

14.9.20 JAMES GARDINER

24.9.20 EION TORRANCE

2/11/20 DOROTHY THWAITES



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