

# The Mooring Post

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## Anzac Day at St Barnabas 25 April 2023



Thank you to all those who shared in and contributed to our Anzac Day service this year, with so many parishioners involved in different ways. Carol Stewart and team brought together beautiful floral decorations, including crosses in front of our memorial church. John Packer told us about his uncle Bill Ledger Buss, named on our WW2 memorial plaque. Rev Dr Pauline Stewart read the story of 'Violet's Scarf' to a row of children who also included a little Violet! Dr Andrew Butcher told us about some interesting connections between St Barnabas and a church in Sabah, Malaysia [see p.3 for his address]. Readings were given by Charles Collins, Frieda Looser and Bill Black. Organist Denis Guyan led the Choir in stirring hymns and anthem *In Flanders Fields*. Oscar Stove, trumpeter, played a poignant Last Post & Reveille. Thank you, all.



## Stronger Together

FOOD - FUN - FAITH - FAMILY CRAFT - MEAL Sat 27 May 3.30-5.30pm.

St Barnabas Church Hall, 8 Tui Street, Fendlaton **\$5 per family more info ph 351 7064** 

'The Mooring Post' is a phrase from p479 in A New Zealand Prayer Book/He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa. Christ is described as the single mooring post for many waka—

Ko te Karaiti te pou Herenga waka. Christ is the one who unites us.



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**Easter Camp** was incredible! The feedback from youth and leaders was overwhelmingly positive. There was fun and laughter as well as connections with God and each other. We had youth shout the entire youth group doughnuts, interparish games of volleyball which included the Bishop, prayer huddles in the Big Top, and Dio wide Night Prayers organised by our very own Hanan.

After the Big Top sessions, we'd break into small groups to discuss the talk. For many, this was also a highlight in which thoughts could be shared without judgement and to discuss things that 'really matter'.

A favourite moment of mine was the second night of Easter Camp. Typically, most youth want to leave the compulsory meeting as soon as possible to explore the nightlife. However, seven of our youth and two leaders decided to stay for almost an hour later to pray and worship. One leader from St Barnabas encountered the Holy Spirit for the first time and the youth all wanted to make commitments to God. Two nights later, one youth went from hating the compulsory Big Top meetings to wanting to follow Jesus. By Sunday, it was finally time for us to explore the Nightlife because every other night we had been busy praying with youth!

Please pray that the youth would seek to spend time with God themselves - both in small groups and as individuals. Pray that they would continue to encounter God outside of Easter Camp and make time for God. Please also pray that God's transformative work would see them become leaders within their schools, workplaces, homes and places of study; that they would fall in love with Jesus and the people He sends them to do life alongside.

#### Nathan Muirhead, Youth Pastor

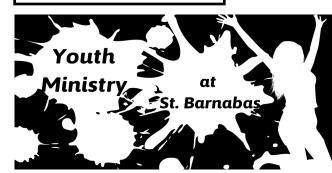
"I found Easter Camp provided a great way to deepen and strengthen friendships but also my relationship with God. I loved the atmosphere around camp. Easter Camp was so much fun and I loved it!" **Evie** 

"Easter Camp was a super enjoyable time for me. I especially liked the community we had established between the youth groups which allowed for great discussions and conversations with youth, camp parents, and leaders. Alongside just general good times in the marquee playing board games and hanging out, I also really enjoyed the atmosphere in the Anglican party central area, allowing us to reconnect with others, as well as meet and get to know new youth, play volleyball and come together for night prayer." **Flo** 

The Quiz and Auction night held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March helped with the costs of Easter Camp, and we are grateful to those who attended, and especially to those who donated items and money to help us achieve the amount of \$6000 that was raised. Some of the funds were used for Easter Camp and the rest will be put towards Youth Ministry within the Parish. St Barnabas would like to thank the following sponsors for their kind and generous donations:

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See back page for photos from Easter Camp



#### Youth Group: TUESDAY 7.00PM-9.00PM

Christian Youth Community—Year 7-13

This term St Barnabas Youth Group are joining with the St Tim's Burnside youth group Neos on Tuesday nights, forming community together. Look out for World Vision 40 hour Challenge June 16-18.

Contact: Nathan Muirhead 027 274 2226 youth@burnside org.nz

## Dr Andrew Butcher: Anzac Day



You will find a building designed by New Zealander Benjamin Mountfort, familiar to Cantabrians as the architect of what is now the Arts Centre, Canterbury Museum, and as

supervising architect and designer of the spire of Christchurch Cathedral, among many churches in this diocese. But this building is over 7,000 kms away, in Sandakan, on the island of Borneo, in Malaysia. It is called St Michael & All Angels Anglican Church, the oldest church in the state of Sabah, inspired by Christchurch Cathedral, its building initiated in 1888, foundation stone laid in 1893 and completed in 1925. It is also the home church of my wife Yvette, where she was raised, baptised, and confirmed.

In St Michael & All Angels, you will find stained glass windows, completed in 2005, memorialising the 2,428 Australian and British prisoners of war who died in Sabah (1787 of whom were Australian) – at Sandakan, Ranau, or on the death marches from 1942-1945, from which, staggeringly, only 6 soldiers survived. Many of these PoWs, captured in Singapore and transferred by ship, spent the night in St Michael's & All Angels before marching to the Sandakan compound, 12 kilometres away. Here is a little of their story: "It was quite dark by the time they reached the top of the hill, where the road ended abruptly in the grounds of a large stone Anglican church. The men tried to make themselves comfortable inside the church buildings, using the light of hurricane lamps which cast gloomy shadows across the pillared nave. At about 4.00am they were roused, counted and recounted, before being marched back down the hill to join those left on the ship, many of whom had been allowed ashore to sleep on the padang. All were hungry, yet few had any stomach for the breakfast – the previous night's leftovers, reheated and even more unpalatable than before. As their destination was a camp 14 kilometres along Kabon China Road, about 20 of the sick were ordered to wait for a truck to transport them and the heavier baggage. The rest moved off, shouldering whatever gear they could carry, the strong encouraging the weak, to the rousing strains of 'Waltzing Matilda'.

In 2003, Australian historian Lynette Silver launched a project to install a 5-metre-high stained-glass window in the west wall of the Church of St Michael and All Angels. She writes this: "Despite losing all its roof during an air raid of 1945, this building was only one of four to survive the war and the only structure left with any connection to the prisoners, who spent the night in



the church and cloisters before marching the last eight miles to the POW camp and, ultimately, to their deaths...". The stained-glass window, designed and made from antique glass by Sydney artist Philip Handel, is a magnificent memorial to the POWs and a fitting thanksgiving to the local people, who risked, and gave, their lives to help them. Below the main window, which comprises 2,500 pieces of glass – one for each prisoner and Sabahan who died – are three smaller windows and a POW chapel, featuring regimental plaques. The focal point of the chapel is a granite-topped table of honour, inscribed with the words of Lord Byron 'For there are deeds that should not pass away, and names that must not be forgotten'. A Roll of Honour and Book of Special Remembrance. holds the names of all 2428 POWs who died, and the Sabahans known to have helped them. The windows and chapel were dedicated by the Archbishop of S.E. Asia Datuk Yong Ping Chung [who passed away last year, baptised and confirmed Yvette, and was wellknown to Bishop David Coles] on Anzac Eve 2005, at a private service attended by hundreds of POW relatives and families of local people."

Yvette's mother was present at these services, acting as translator, reading out the names of those who perished. Yvette and I have visited Sandakan on several occasions and this church. This little vignette has a NZ architect who helped shape both Christchurch and Sandakan; two old stone Anglican churches, St Michael and All Angels, and St Barnabas; memorial windows and a memorial building; and, Yvette, someone born in Sandakan, raised in that church of refuge and light, and, ultimately, this year, living in Christchurch and here at St Barnabas.

### Support our Parish Vision—Give Regularly—Thank You!

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## Association of Anglican Women

Aim: To unite in prayer and participate in the mission of the Church. To promote, safeguard and nurture Christian family life.

#### Daytime Group Wednesday 3rd May 1.30pm Tui Room

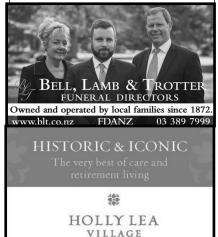
Speaker: Denis Guyan— Travels in France & Cambodia. All welcome. Leader: Madeleine Price 021 1885 138: 354 4299

#### In Betweens Tuesdav 16th Mav

Tuesday 16th May
7.00pm for 7. 30pm start
Venue: St Barnahas Hall

Venue: St Barnabas Hall Guest Speaker: Ben Harris, Microbiologist and Medical Scientist. "Gut health and the importance of vaccinations" All welcome. Leader: Judy Dodwell Ph 021 230 7637





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## Engaging with Te Ao Māori

For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear and their eyes they have closed lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn and I would heal them Matt 13:15 ESV

I was amazed at what I still needed to learn about Aotearoa and our bicultural history. My eyes, ears and cultural lens had led me to become, what the apostle Matthew would call, barren ground.

A group of 45 met on 4 Mondays between March 8 and April 13 at St Barnabas. The tutor, Antony Nihoniho, offered us: the wisdom of his historical studies, his Ngai Tahu cultural perspective and the gifts of his Christian calling.

#### **COLONISATION AND THE LAND**

On the third night Antony talked about his whānau from Tuahuriri [Kaiapoi]. You could have heard a pin drop as he described the painful loss and dispossession of ancestral land. His voice was emotional and broken in telling his story. This trail of colonisation began when the Treaty of Waitangi was signed at Onuku near Akaroa, and Otakou. The signatures gained were taken by the Governor as permission to proceed with the sale of Te Waipounamu [South Island]. In the presence of Anglican Missionary, Henry Williams, the Ngai Tahu trusted the Treaty like a Christian covenant of Crown protection for their rights and lands. Under pressure from European settlers, the Crown proposed the Kemp Deed for the acquisition of Ngai Tahu lands. The initial agreements for Māori Reserves were not honoured. The remnants were further alienated by subsequent laws, rating and restrictions on land use and habitation. The Tuahuriri Maori were deprived of their turangawaewae and whenua. The loss of homes and income led to hardship, deprivation and movement away. Antony told us of God's restorative goodness that enabled him to purchase the land of his Tipuna at Tuahuriri recently. The tragic story of this one whanau was replicated thousands of times throughout Aotearoa.

#### **CHURCHES AND THE COVENANT**

The participants supported the following:

- Churches should include more Te Reo in their services with waiata and karakia in every service. Chaplains should have training in Te Reo and include its use in their care.
- Signage on buildings should include Te Reo.
- A copy of Te Tiriti should be on display.
- Courses should be offered in Te Reo

#### COMMUNITY ADVOCACY

- Support the partnership principles of the Treaty
- Extend the use of Maori place names to acknowledge the importance of whenua to Maori
- Remove from place names and venues the names of those responsible for colonial oppression.
- Monitor and address inequality between Māori and Tangata Tiriti [Pakeha]

#### **SUMMARY**

The \$40 per person charge was sufficient to cover the costs of the workshop. The handouts and supper were regarded as excellent.

Most reported an improved, or continued positive engagement with Maori.

Six reported a major improvement to their engagement and understanding of Te Ao Maori.

Don Rowlands

## Quotes from 'Engaging with Te Ao Maori' Workshop Participants

Presented clearly and succinctly with room for reflection.

Very useful for the teaching of the new histories of Aotearoa.

Welsh and Scottish people have a lot in common with Maori in land confiscations.

Christchurch is the ideal place for Christian communities to advocate for Te Tiriti as a covenant.

Not something to be feared as a Pākehā, but a wonderful opportunity to share.

Wonderful to learn about the Christian intentions of the Treaty.

"Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou ka ora ai te iwi"

(With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive.)





Colonisation was oppressive to Māori and I was ashamed to learn about the marginalisation.

Make things more equitable for Māori, and improve on the terrible statistics.

A reminder of the strong connection of Māori to the land.

A reminder of the key Treaty principles: partnership, protection and participation.

The need to act inclusively toward Māori and their language and culture.

As a recent migrant it was all new to me.

It was challenging to acknowledge the injustices against Maori.

#### Three Things to Know. In New

Zealand we have a culture of criticism, known as Tall Poppy Syndrome. We celebrate successes but often throw in a few good jibes to make sure no one gets a big head. Our young people are increasingly afraid to stand out in any way for fear of ridicule.

E Tū Tāngata (Stand Together) is an initiative focussed on combating Tall Poppy Syndrome and changing our culture so every person is valued. They are doing this with three key ideas, or strands, that get to the heart of Tall

Poppy Syndrome and undermine it: 1) **You have value** – no matter who you are and what you do; 2) **We succeed together** – we can achieve more together than on our own; 3) **Others matter** – choosing to act in a way that reminds everyone that they have value too.

Started here in Christchurch, E Tū Tāngata has caught the attention of educators, sports stars and more, with ambassadors for the initiative including Sir Steve Hansen, Dame Dr Sue Bagshaw, and Crusaders' (and future All Blacks') coach Scott Robertson.

Last September I had the privilege of releasing my first children's picture book in partnership with E Tū Tāngata – "Three Things to Know: an E Tū Tāngata story". The book, which is beautifully illustrated by fellow Andy and Christchurch resident Andy Knopp, uses rhyme and rhythm to teach the three strands to children and those reading it to them.

## "You had your worth from your very first day And nothing and no one can take it away."

The book has sold over 4000 copies and is being read and loved in homes and schools throughout the country. How exciting that through this little work thousands of children are learning to value themselves and others. You can check out E Tū Tāngata at etutangata.nz and on social media and buy the book at shop.etutangata.nz/collections/books.

Andy Dickson—Young Adults Worker











## Sounds to Sounds—by bike!

Ian Wells and Gavin Kingsley have completed the Sounds 2 Sounds and made it back to Christchurch, having enjoyed perfect weather while in Piopiotahi Milford Sound. The scenery was awe-filled, the scale of the landscape dwarfing us and our bikes and staggering our imagination.

Some Stats:

Total Distance: 1510 km

Total Elevation gained: 16250 m Total pedalling time: 4.4 days (105 h) Elapsed time: 20 days, 18 days

pedalling.

Some things that are not stats: meeting so many wonderful people along the way; being challenged in emotional ups and downs; being supported by my friend lan; talking to, loving, and being supported by my wife Raina; support and comments on Facebook and other media; planning for weather and accommodation; being cold, dirty, hot, sweaty, hungry and thirsty (at different times); shared experiences; accepting kindness; being open to serendipity.

Our biggest God moment was in the Nevis Valley when we lost contact with each other. We prayed for each other's safety and gave joyous thanks when we could see each other in the distance.

Ngā mihi, Gavin Kingsley



## Congratulations, Nicholas!

Our warm congratulations to our own Nicholas Baker on his 50th birthday in May! Nicholas is our faithful Crucifer at St Barnabas church services. In fact, he received a Bishop's certificate for 20 years faithful service as Crucifer in 2011, so Nicholas, you've added another 12 faithful years onto that tally! We appreciate your dedicated service, your great love of church music and your cheerful presence on Friday mornings vacuuming! Nicholas, enjoy your 50s! God bless you.



## What's Coming Up

Sunday 30 Apr

12 noon Fellowship Lunch at Elmwood Trading Co. All parishioners are most welcome to join us for fellowship time. Please contact May Carrell:- 352 9999 mcarrell@xtra.co.nz Thurs. 18 May

Ascension Day—we celebrate Jesus risen, ascended and glorified at our 10am Communion service in the Tui Room. Come and join us for warm fellowship together, and a cuppa after!

Thurs.

18 May

**Nurses' Service** The annual

The annual
Church Service of
the Christchurch
Nursing
Association. 2pm
in the Church



Thurs.

18 May

18 May—28 May.

Week of Prayer for Christian

Unity.

Thy Kingdom Come: a global prayer movement from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know the love of Jesus.

Sat. 27 May

3.30-5.30pm Messy Church: Pentecost: Stronger Together,

a great event to invite children and families of all ages to. Food, fun, faith, family craft, meal. \$5 per family. Sun.

28 May

Pentecost Sunday Come and celebrate the birthday of the Church – when the Spirit filled and empowered the Church for mission! Lifestreams / ngā puna waiora turns 19 with an Intergenerational service.

#### **Vestry welcomes 2 members:**

Our AGM elected 2 new Vestry members. We asked them to tell us a little about themselves:

#### Jenny Glasson:

Chris is moving into retirement from his Landscape Architectural business. Emma is in London as a Policy



Manager within the International and Comparative Law environment. Guy is a 3d artist at Weta Digital in Wellington and Nick is a 3d artist working in Adelaide.

On retirement I joined InBetweens as a committee member, and then Secretary, following on with the AAW Diocesan Committee as Secretary and attending 2 Synods. Having specialised in the Legal Library and Information Management, it was interesting to see how Canon Law operated. I also joined Angela and Greg Brown with their Friday Zone programme and enjoyed meeting the families that came and grew in their spiritual lives. Three years ago I joined Jo Cotton with the Pastoral Care Ministry Action Team. I'm looking forward now to organising a Book Fair, with a group of enthusiastic parishioners.

I am now a committed aqua jogger, book club member, family dog walker and making time to catch up with friends and family.

#### **Hanan Fokkens**:

I currently live at home with my Mum, Christine, my younger sister Florence, and Wilbur the kitten. I also have two older



brothers, one lives in Germany and the other is married and lives in ChCh. We started attending St Barnabas 19 years ago mostly attending the Lifestreams service. At St Barnabas I'm involved with AV/Tech, Youth Group, Lifestreams, Messy Church and previously Friday Zone. I study software engineering at the University of Canterbury. I enjoy software development, electronics, watching Netflix and YouTube, driving around exploring the city and beyond.

Mooring Post Deadline

June Issue

Friday 12 May

## Sunday Worship

#### St Barnabas Church

**8.00am** Eucharist, followed by breakfast in the Tui Room

9.30am Sung Eucharist then morning tea (Tui Room). This service is livestreamed—to join, find the YouTube link on the parish

website homepage.

**10.00am** Lifestreams Eucharist in Hall with children's programmes followed by morning tea.

This service is livestreamed.

12.30pm Tongan Service

**5pm** Evensong (1st & 3rd), Night Prayer (2nd), Eucharist (4th

Sunday)

**7.00pm** Antioch Young Adults service.

St Barnabas Hall or Youth Room. Open to all.

#### Midweek Worship

10.00am Thursday Eucharist in Church.
1st Thursday—Prayer for healing.
Home Communion: once per month.
Communion is also provided each month at Fendalton Retirement Village, Radius Hawthorne and Holly Lea RV.

## Register

#### **BAPTISM**

We welcome into the family of God those who have been baptised April

16 Arthur Benjamin Jacobs Robert (Rob) Ian Churcher

#### **MARRIAGES**

We extend our good wishes to the following couple recently married April

14 Grace Joughin Ben Lowe

#### **FUNERALS**

We offer our love and prayers to the families of the following: April

29 Jean Reid Hammond

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## Easter Camp 2023

















# St Barnabas Playgroup: WEDNESDAY 9.15-11.30AM Hall Creative play

for pre-schoolers. Helen Wakefield 021 307 878

## Mainly Music: FRIDAY 10-11AM— Hall

Music & movement for pre-schoolers and their caregivers, followed by morning tea.

# Kidzone: SUNDAY 10.00AM—Hall & Kotare Room

Creative Sunday School for children 0 -11 yrs. Florence Fokkens 022 0720 899

Messy Church SAT. 3.30-5.30pm—Hall. Food, fun, faith, family craft, meal. \$5 per family. 2023: May 27, June 24, Aug 12, Oct 28, Dec 2. Angela Brown 027 335 0105