



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

19th Ordinary Sunday



10th August 2025

Notes from Yukiko's Desk



Dear AGAC whanau,

This week, some of us attended the diocesan ministry conference held at St. Margaret Anglican Church in Hillsborough.

The conference has a guest speaker from the UK who will be a real treat: Sam Wells, who's a vicar and public theologian, author of many books and a professor of Christian Ethics. He will be sharing his material on "Being With" as a paradigm for ministry and mission.

Here's a wonderful short talk from Sam on the concept that I commend to you:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w2Zci7KBXms>.

It sheds a very helpful light on the underpinnings of our ministries also the Selwyn Centre and Space.

I think that "Being With" is an excellent lens for us to use when we're thinking about our engagement with our community, right down to the details of how we organise our outreach activity.

Jesus certainly embodied this model with people while he was on earth. I will try my best to practice this model in my life and ministry.

Peace with you,

Yukiko

News and Upcoming Events



I was not able to attend Space this week.
Thanks to Robyn and Stephanie who managed the session.



Coffee Fellowship

Next meeting: Wednesday **20 August** at **10 am** at Settler's.

Anglican Diocese of Auckland – Video News

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=18lq4bMsVuA>

We pray for:

- The people in Gaza and famine zones in Sudan: that God would sustain them, deliver hidden aid, and restore dignity and life.
- Everyone in South Sudan, Yemen, the DRC, Haiti, and Mali facing increased food insecurity: that humanitarian access and funding would increase rapidly.
- Decision-makers - donors, governments, church partners: that they would exercise compassion, maintain commitment, resist despair, and prioritise life over budgets.
- Home ground, in the CBD.
- ATWC, having to work out how to scale back their operations due to government funding

This Week's Bible Question

What must we do because the Son of Man comes at any hour?

A: Sleep

B: Be aware

C: Be ready

D: Be busy

This Week's Service Songs at Holy Cross

Opening: Be thou my vision

Gospel: How great thou art

Offertory: Be still and know that I am God

Recession: At the name of Jesus

Sentence for the day

By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. (Hebrews 11: 3)

Readings

	<u>10th August</u>	<u>17th August</u>
1 st Reading:	Genesis 15:1-6	TBA
Psalm	Psalm 33:12-22	TBA
2 nd Reading:	Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16	TBA
Gospel:	Luke 12:32-40	TBA

Liturgical Colour

GREEN

Summary of the Scripture

- 1st Reading: Abraham is promised an heir by virtue of his faith.
2nd Reading: The Writer recalls the faith of Abraham.
Gospel: Jesus speaks of a marriage feast according to Jewish custom to teach about readiness for service.

Collect for the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, by your Spirit the whole body of
the Church is governed and sanctified;
hear the prayers we offer for all your faithful people that in the
ministry to which you have called us we may serve you in holiness
and truth;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ
Amen.

This Week's Bible Question Answer

C) Be ready



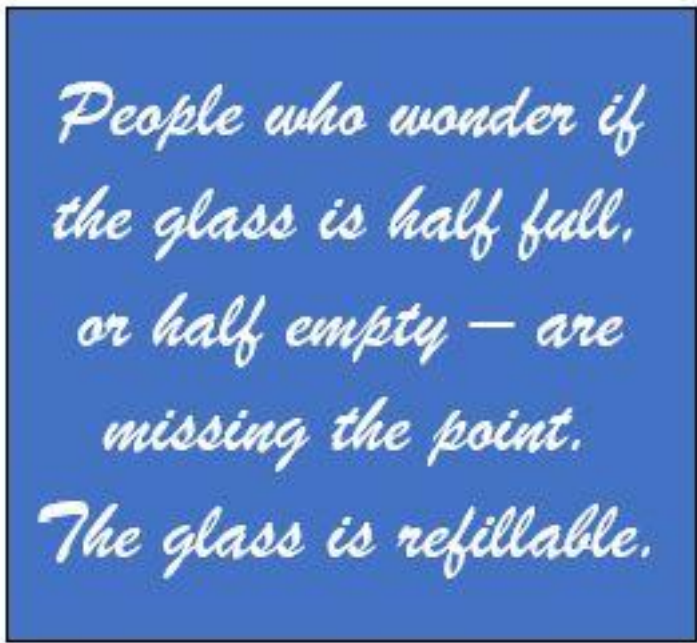
Rosters

Holy Cross

	<u>10th August</u>	<u>17th August</u>
Sacristan	Karenne West	Alison Coughlan
Welcomer	Trish Duncan	Dorothy Schultz
1 Readings	Patrick Harris	Bernadette
2 Readings	Diana Harris	Trish Duncan
Presiding	Les	Yukiko
Prayers	Yukiko	Robert
TV Setup & Slides	Karenne West	Patrick Harris
Morning Tea	Valerie & June	Beatrix & Robert
Flowers	Diana Harris	Diana Harris
Music	Karin	Yukiko & Stephanie

St Michaels

	<u>10th August</u>	<u>17th August</u>
Prayers	Bruce Goertz	Bruce Goertz
Readings	Brian Simpson	Bruce Goertz
Presiding	Bruce Goertz	Les



*People who wonder if
the glass is half full,
or half empty – are
missing the point.
The glass is refillable.*

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friends who make
you laugh a little
louder, smile a little
bigger, and live just
a little better.

