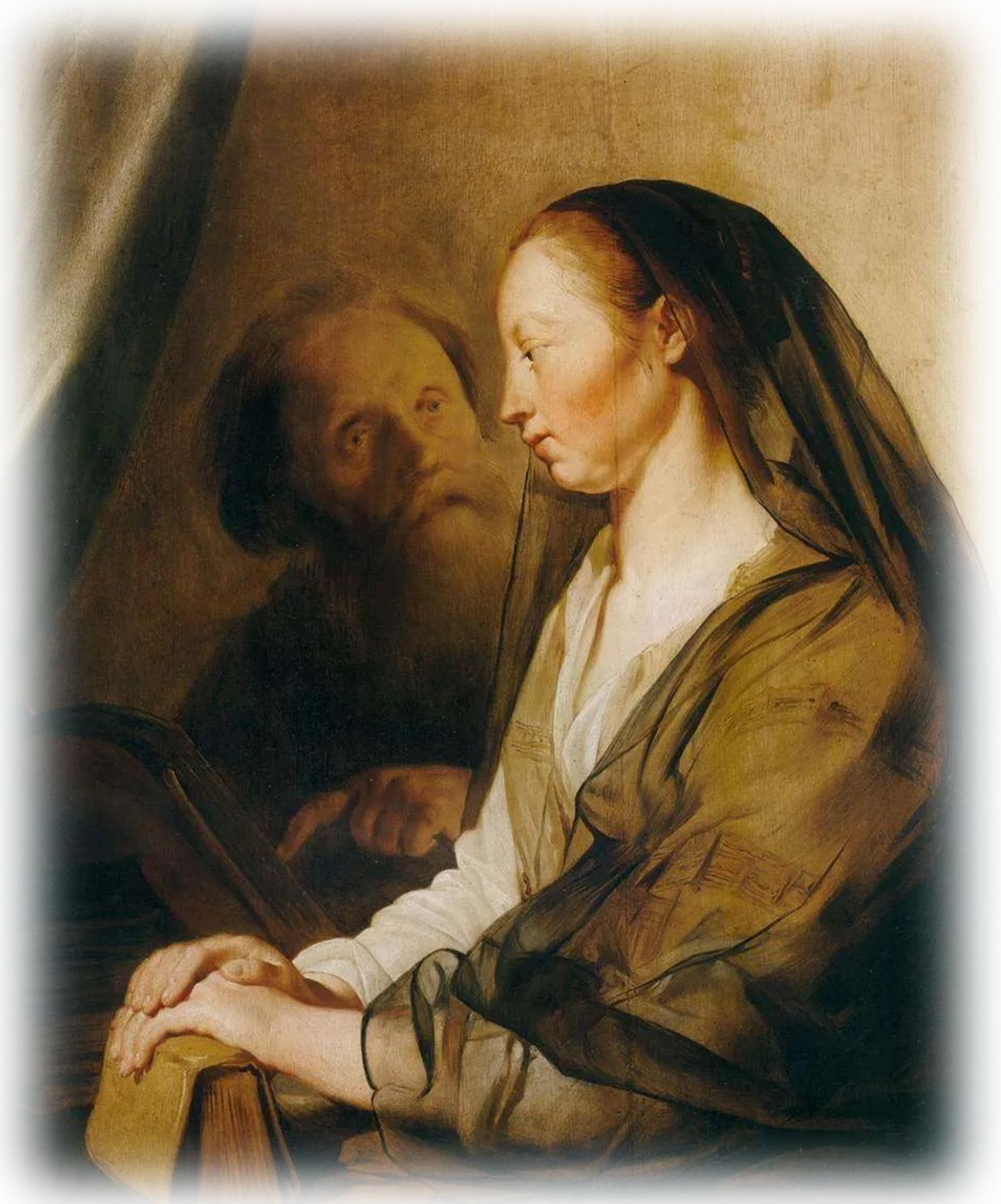


WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

19th Ordinary Sunday



**The Parable of the Unjust Judge
Painting by Pieter de Grebber (1600-1652),**

19th October 2025

Notes from Yukiko's Desk



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,



October 17 is the United Nations'

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty.

The theme this year for the day is “**Ending social and institutional maltreatment by ensuring**

respect and effective support for families.”

The observance of this day can be traced back to 17 October 1987. On that day, over a hundred thousand people gathered at the Trocadéro in Paris, where the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was signed in 1948, to honour the victims of extreme poverty, violence and hunger.

Looking at the issue of poverty statistically, more than 700 million people — or 10 per cent of the global population — still live in extreme poverty, which means they are surviving on less than \$1.90 a day. That said, as we are aware, **Poverty** is about more than a lack of income. It has a range of different socioeconomic dimensions, including: the ability to access services and social protection measures and to express opinions and choice; the power to negotiate; and social status, decent work and opportunities.

For New Zealand too, this observance is essential in addressing the roots of socioeconomic disparities. According to the New Zealand Council of Christian Social Services, approximately 385,000 children in the country live in poverty, highlighting the need for concerted efforts to tackle this issue locally and support those living in disadvantaged situations. I wonder how we can engage in anti-poverty issues at a local level. I am inviting you to explore together.

Nga mihi nui

Yukiko

News and Upcoming Events



This week we introduced different types of blocks and puzzles. I found a number of wooden puzzles which my son used to play with. They bring good memories! I am sure you have similar memories as well.



Coffee Fellowship

Morning Tea @ Settler's

Next meeting: Wednesday **19th Nov** at **10 am** at Settler's lounge.

Parish dinner (pencil it in your diary!)

8th Nov (Saturday) at Holy Cross. Starting at 6:30

If you can, bring a plate to share... bearing in mind the only things you have to bring are yourself, a good appetite, and a sense of fun! We will provide drinks and some food. There are some nice live music performances during the night.

Please feel free to invite your family, friends, and those who have come to our parishes!

There is a sign-up sheet at both Holy Cross and St. Michael's. Please write your name, the number of people who attend, any diet requirements, and the dish you could bring.



New Archbishop of Canterbury!

The 106th Archbishop of Canterbury-designate is the Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally.

You can read more about the appointment here:

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A letter from Auckland City Mission to AGAC

From all of us here at the Auckland City Mission - Te Tāpui Atawhai, thank you for your incredible kindness on World Homeless Day last Friday!

Together you gave \$201,332 to support people living without shelter in our city.

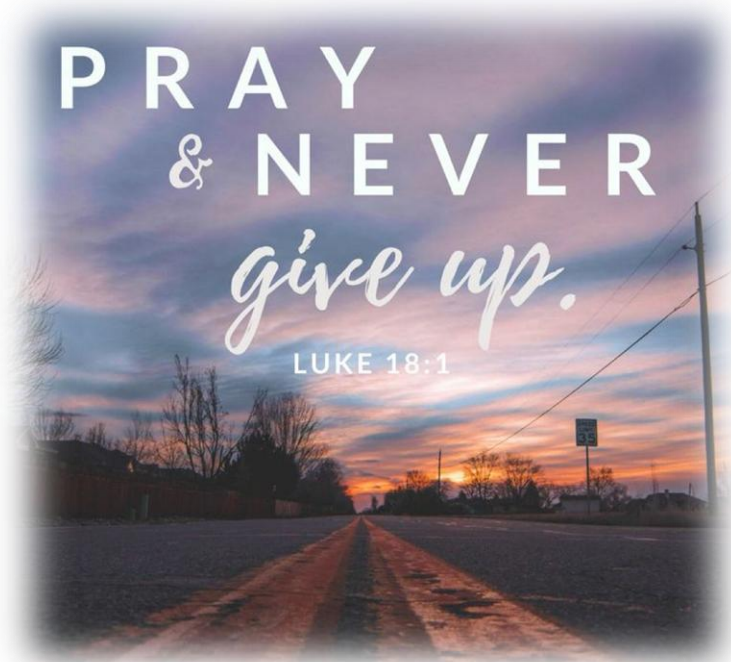
Your generosity will help someone to get off the street and start their journey of healing and recovery. Every dollar you donated is helping to provide:

- Hot, nourishing food and a warm welcome in Haeata, our community dining room
- Life-saving healthcare through our Calder Health Centre and social detox service
- Safe homes and wraparound support so people can live well.

Your friends at the Auckland City Mission - Te Tāpui Atawhai

We pray for:

- newly elected local government members in Auckland
- the poor and needy in our community
- world peace, especially, Israel, Gaza/Palestine, Ukraine, South Sudan, and Nigeria.



This Week's Bible Question

What did Paul charge Timothy before God and Christ to do?

- A: to preach the word B: to live up to his word
C: to exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine
D: to defend the faith E: to pray for him

This Week's Service Songs at Holy Cross

Opening: Immortal, invisible, God only wise
Gospel: The Lord is my shepherd (Psalm 23)
Offertory: What a friend we have in Jesus
Recession: How great thou art
Music: Karin

Sentence for the day

Will not God grant justice to those who cry to him day and night?
Will he delay long in helping them? *Luke 18:7–8*

Readings

	<u>This week</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
1 st Reading:	Genesis 32:22–31	TBA
Psalm	Psalm 121	TBA
2 nd Reading:	2 Timothy 3:14–4:5	TBA
Gospel:	Luke 18:1–8	TBA

Even the smallest act of kindness
matters. It's like a ripple in a pond
flowing positive energy forever
outward to infinity...

Summary of the Scripture

- 1st Reading: Jacob seeks a reconciliation with Esau, his brother. He has an inner struggle, portrayed as a wrestling contest with a divine being. The result is a new name for Jacob, namely 'Israel' (which means 'he who strives with God').
- 2nd Reading: The writer encourages his colleague in his preaching ministry, based on the scriptures.
- Gospel: Jesus' teaching about being persistent in prayer.

Collect for the Day

Eternal God,
You remain constant through all our striving,
And patient with our ceaseless prayers.
We seek your wisdom,
Year for your justice,
And crave your blessing,
For our own sakes and for the sake of the world.
By the power of the Holy Spirit, and in the name of Christ, who
prays with us.
Amen.

Liturgical Colour

GREEN

This Week's Bible Question Answer

A. to preach the word.

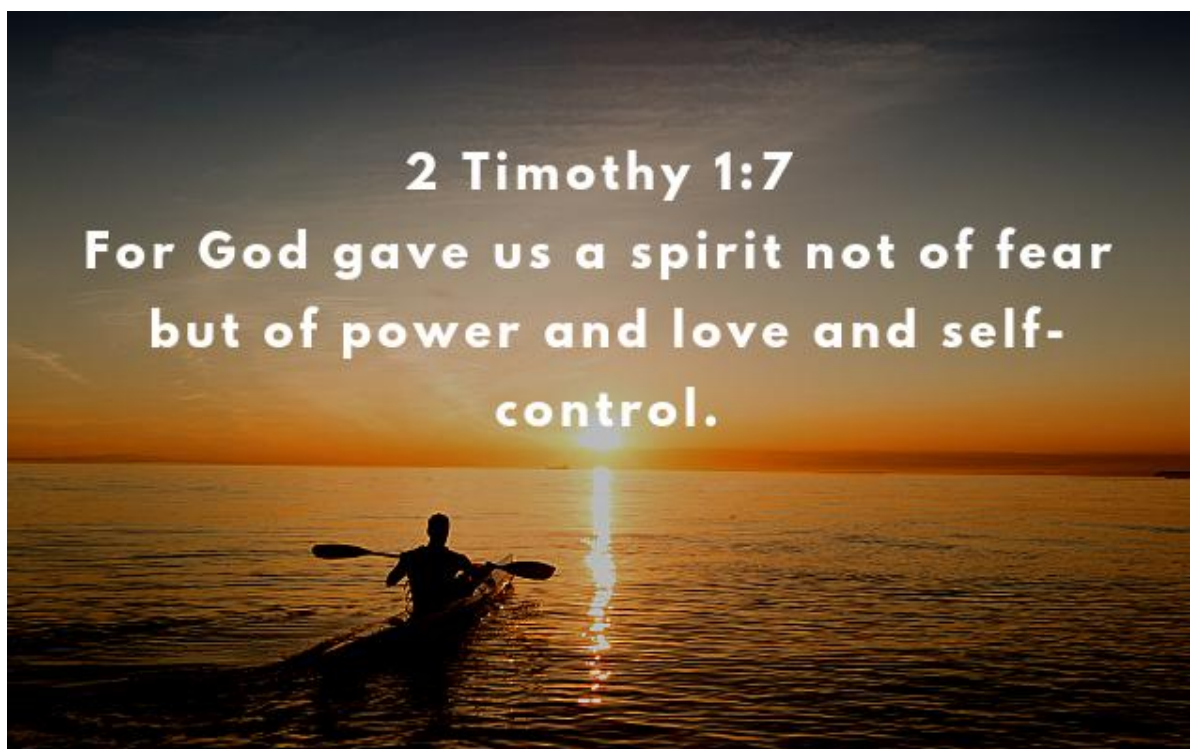
Rosters

Holy Cross

	<u>This week</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
Sacristan	Karenne	Les
Welcomer	Alison Thompson	Barry Gosper
1 Readings	Diana Harris	Trish Duncan
2 Readings	Patrick Harris	Bernadette
Presiding	Yukiko	Yukiko
Prayers	Rhona Stace	Robert
TV Setup & Slides	Gary Wells	Christian
Morning Tea	Gary & Linda	Valerie & June
Flowers	Diana Harris	Ria Gormley
Music	Karin	Yukiko & Stephanie

St Michaels

	<u>This week</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
Prayers	Bruce Goertz	Bruce Goertz
Readings	Brian Simpson	Bruce Goertz
Presiding	Les	Bruce Goertz



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Feedback welcome:

If you have feedback on any aspect of our church activities, please contact the wardens, Dorothy & Trish – contacts as above – or via the office at the email above.

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