



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Remembrance Sunday



09 November 2025

Notes from Yukiko's Desk



Kia Ora koutou,

November is very much a time for remembering.

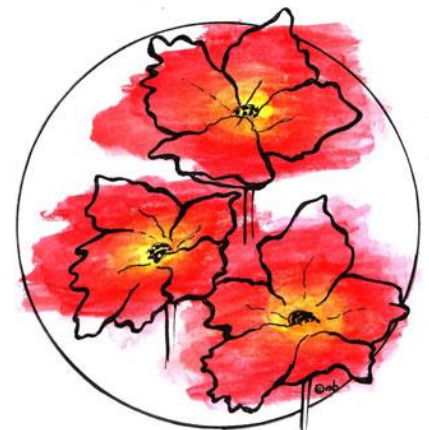
In Aotearoa, following the UK tradition, we have Guy Fawkes night, with its somewhat macabre injunction, '*Remember, remember, the 5th November: gunpowder, treason and plot*'. Last week, All Saints' and All Souls' Day call us to remember those who have lived and died in the faith. And 11th November marks the end of the First World War (1918).

In our churches this Sunday we will remember all those who have given their lives for the peace and freedom we enjoy today. But this day is also a stark reminder that our world is deeply broken and divided because of human violence. Across the globe, and across time, people have needed to gather after times of great loss of life. Sometimes that is as the result of war, or sometimes natural disaster or human tragedy.

For the Christian, Remembrance Day also presents a unique opportunity for us to meditate on the way of peace. God calls us to look to Jesus, who is the Prince of Peace. So on this day of "remembrance" let us seize the opportunity and prayerfully take to heart the radical message of the Prince of Peace and follow his way of reconciling love. Let us discern together the ways in which God is calling us to be peacemakers in his world.

Peace in Christ,

Yukiko



News and Upcoming Events



This week, as we had such a nice weather, we made a trip to Kell Park. It was a lovely day out!



Morning Tea @ Settler's

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

Parish Dinner

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

For those who are receiving the newsletter electronically, even if you have not signed in the form, you can still come to the dinner!

Annual General Meeting will be held after the service on **Sunday 30th November** at Holy Cross. For the next three Sundays (9th, 16th and 23rd) there will be a copy of the 2026 Church Budget available for parishioners to read in advance of the AGM.

If you cannot attend the AGM and would like to submit your apology to the meeting, please let Roger know.

Nominations

At the AGM we will receive our annual report and elect officers for the coming year. If you are interested in being on our vestry, or nominate someone for a people's warden, please fill in a nomination form - which will be available this Sunday and next two Sundays before AGM.

Roll/Contact Update form

If you have been worshipping with us for 6 months, and are baptised, you are eligible to be on the roll of those who have speaking and decision-making rights in the meeting. You can check whether you're on the roll, and ask to have your name added, by talking to Yukiko or Roger in the office.

For those who are relatively new at our community, please fill in the contact update form.

We pray for:

- Jonathan, Dorothy Schultz, Angela and Bob who are preparing for their confirmation
- Bishop Ross and the Episcopal team.
- Jamaica, Philippines, under the impact of Hurricane Melissa and Typhoon Kalmaegi ; those grieving loss, the Anglican congregations serving their neighbours and coordinating with wider relief efforts.

This Week's Bible Questions

What happens to the branch that bears fruit?

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| A: It is cut | B: It is cleansed |
| C: It is watered | D: It is watered |

What inheritance is promised to the one who overcomes in Revelation 21:7?

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| A. All things | B. Many treasures |
| C. Great power | D. Endless glory |

This Week's Service Songs at Holy Cross

Opening: Be thou my vision
Gospel: It is well with my soul
Offertory: The Church's one foundation
Recession: Amazing grace
Music: Karin

Sentence for the day

I will remember my covenant which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. (*Genesis 9:15*)

Readings

	<u>9th November</u>	<u>16th November</u>
1 st Reading:	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Isaiah 65:17-25
Psalm	Ps 145:1-5, 13-18	Isaiah 12
2 nd Reading:	Revelations 21:1-7	2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Gospel:	John 15:9-17	Luke 21:5-19

Summary of the Scripture

- 1st Reading: Provides comfort and hope to believers by explaining that at Christ's return, deceased believers will be resurrected and join living believers to meet the Lord in the air
- 2nd Reading: This passage is a message of hope and ultimate fulfilment, signifying God's final victory and the restoration of all things.
- Gospel: Teaches that believers should remain in Jesus' love by obeying his commands, especially the new commandment to love one another as he has loved them.

Collect for the Day

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Liturgical Colour

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This Week's Bible Question Answer

A - for both questions

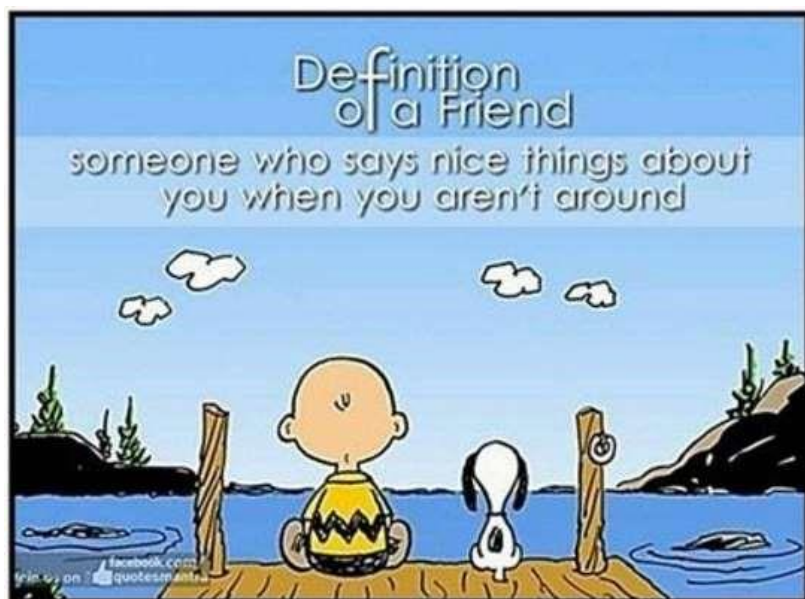
Rosters

Holy Cross

	<u>9th November</u>	<u>16th November</u>
Sacristan	Val Deas	Karenne
Welcomer	Alison Thompson	Ria Gormley
1 Readings	Alison Thompson	Christian
2 Readings	Linda Wells	Bernadette
Presiding	Les	Colleen
Prayers	Beatrix	Robert
TV Setup & Slides	Graham Wood	Gary Wells
Morning Tea	Dorothy M & Ria	Gary & Linda
Flowers	Diana Harris	Diana Harris
Music	Karin	Trish

St Michaels

	<u>9th November</u>	<u>16th November</u>
Prayers	Bruce Goertz	Bruce Goertz
Readings	Bruce Goertz	Brian Simpson
Presiding	Bruce Goertz	Les



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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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Please Note:

Holy Cross no longer has a telephone connection

SHARE THE *Aroha*

This Christmas, we invite you to be part of something truly special.

By sponsoring and donating a Kindness Case, you're not just giving gifts, you're delivering aroha, dignity, and choice.

Imagine waking up to a pillowcase filled with treats, a handwritten note, and a voucher to choose what matters most. That's the feeling we want every whānau to have this Christmas.

Choose the way you Share the Aroha:

\$30

a Kindness Case-Goody Bag filled with yummy treats.

\$50

a Goody Bag + Whanau Gift - something they can enjoy together and make memories with.

\$90

a Goody Bag + Whanau Gift + NZD \$50 Grocery Voucher - supporting dignity, choice, and celebration.

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How to help:

- Sponsor a Kindness Case
- Donate your own Kindness case
- Spread the word

Let's make sure every whānau feels the warmth of community this Christmas.

FROM YOUR *Hearts* TO *Homes*



If you want to pack your own Kindness Case / Goody Bag, please email marketing@atwc.org.nz for the list of items.

