

## May Services

Date	Waikanae	Raumati		Paekakariki
	9.15am	United@9 9 am	10 am	10.30am
5th	Maureen Calhaem	Rev. Cornelia Grant HC	Rev. Robin List	Rev. Cornelia Grant HC
12th	Rev. David Harding HC	Rosalie Sugrue	Rev. Stuart Grant HC	Maureen Calhaem
Friday 17th	Messy Church 5-7 pm, Raumati			
19th	Rev. John Roberts	Rev. Roger Wiig	Rev. Cornelia Grant	Own Service
26th	Women's Fellowship Special Project Rev. Cornelia Grant	Maureen Calhaem	Rosalie Sugrue	Maureen Calhaem

### Change of Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office will be open from Monday to Friday 9 am to 12 pm.  
(Effective from Monday 6 May)

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May 2019

The Easter season has started. Easter is not only Holy Week and Easter Sunday. In the Christian calendar Eastertide includes all the weeks between Easter Sunday and Pentecost, sometimes called “the great fifty days”.



The joy, surprise, and challenge of the resurrection accompany us during the weeks of May.

On the afternoon of Sunday 5 May we look forward to a recital in the Raumati Church. Three very accomplished professional musicians will delight us with their programme. Many thanks to the team who work behind the scenes to organise the recitals. It is not only about engaging the performers and then sitting back and letting it all happen. Many hours go into detail planning with the performers, designing and creating publicity material and programmes, getting the church ready etc. – not forgetting the afternoon tea. It is a lot of work, but it also brings much joy to many people.

The second Sunday in May is Mothers’ Day. We think about all the ups and downs of motherhood in this day and age. Not all of you have *been* mothers, but all of us have *had* mothers.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your prayers and kindnesses following our house fire. We expect to move back into our renovated house in the first week of May.

Last, but not least, a “forecast”: Please note in your diaries that on the weekend of 8 - 9 June, at Pentecost, we

celebrate our Parish anniversary with a dinner on the Saturday evening, again in Kapiti Village, off Guilford Drive, and a festive service on the Sunday. This will include our official farewell to Kate Foley, our administrator for the past few years. She will still be with us as a parish member, but we want to recognise her for the work she has done as an employee of the Parish. Kate has not taken the step to resign lightly, but she would like to be more available to her three boys, especially with regard to their school activities.

Let us remember in our prayers those members of our Parish who are accompanying close family members in their last days and weeks of life. Like Mary at the cross, they give their “gift of presence”.

With blessings and peace to all of you,

*Cornelia*

### About people

Happy Birthday to all those who have had birthdays recently, especially Faye Lamerton who has celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.



We sadly record the passing of Daphne Richards, wife of Tom, who used to live in Paekakariki.

Our sympathy goes to any parishioners who are unwell or in hospital or moving to other levels of care. Our thoughts are with you all.

Please do advise the pastoral care group if you know of someone who is needing a little help for whatever reason. We would rather be told twice than not be told!

The Pastoral care team are Jennie Dickens, Lyn Martin, Erice Carley, Shirley Barnett, Kay McIntosh, Adrienne Burleigh, Diane Ammundsen, Diana Roberts and Rev. Cornelia Grant.

*Diane Ammundsen, Pastoral Care Convenor*

## May: for your diary

Wed	1st	1.30 pm	Raumati Domestic Property Group, Raumati
Sun	5th	2.15 pm	<b>Music Recital, Raumati</b>
Tue	7th	10 am	Messy Church meeting, Raumati
		2 pm	Afternoon Women's Fellowship, Raumati
Thur	9th	10 am	Raumati Morning Women's Fellowship
Sun	12th	5 pm	Ephesus in Kapiti, Raumati
Mon	13th	1.30 pm	Board Games, Raumati
Tue	14th	10 am	Pastoral Care Group, Raumati
		1 pm	Meditation Group, Church, Raumati
		7.30 pm	Parish Council Open Meeting, Raumati
Wed	15th	7.30 pm	Parish Men's Group, Raumati
Fri	17th	5 pm	Messy Church, Raumati
			<b>Deadline for June Together</b>
Tue	21st	10 am	Waikanae Women's Fellowship, Waikanae
Fri	24th	10 am	Folding and distribution of June Together
Sun	26th	2.30 pm	House Groups Meeting, Raumati
Mon	27th	1.30 pm	Board Games, Raumati

### Parish Council Open Meeting

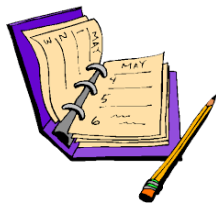
Following discussion after the Parish Review Day, the Parish Council has decided to meet monthly, with every second meeting being open to all parishioners to discuss ideas and visions for our parish as we move towards calling a new minister. The first of these open meetings will be held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 14 May in the Raumati meeting room.

### Raumati Morning Women's Fellowship

*Thursday May 9 at 10 am*

Our Speaker will be Dianne Ammundsen who will talk about her experiences "Living on a boat around Europe".  
All welcome.

## May: regular events



Mondays	9.30 am	Raumati Music Café Playgroup, (term-time)
Tuesdays	10 am	Women's Craft Group Lower Lounge, Raumati
	1 - 4pm	Thrifty Place
Wednesdays	1 - 4 pm	Thrifty Place
	4 pm	F.I.T. Exercises, Raumati
Thursdays	9.30 am	Raumati Café Playgroup (term-time)
	2.30 pm	Fruit and Vege Co-op pick up
Fridays	9.30 am	Waikanae Café Playgroup (term-time)
Saturdays	10 am - 12.30 pm	Thrifty Place

### Kapiti Community Foodbank

Thank you for your donations of empty margarine containers.  
The Foodbank tells us they now have enough.

### Parish Dinner

*Saturday 8 June*  
*5.30 pm for 6 pm*

Kapiti Village, Paraparaumu  
Please check the weekly notices for further updates.  
Tickets available soon.

## Parish Chairman's Page

Kia ora...Greetings.

In the last Together I wrote about the need for us to consider the vision we had as individuals for the future of our respective congregations and the Parish as a whole. United@9 have completed this exercise and have provided the basis for ongoing discussions. Waikanae have been considering their vision for their congregation and produced a draft document that sets this out. Raumati and Paekakariki still to come. Once all have been gathered, the ideas, thoughts and visions will form a discussion at an open Parish Council meeting. The decisions will add to our Parish Review.

From two very strong candidates Isabel Bennett has been appointed to take Kate's position and will start on Wednesday 1 May. She is widely experienced in church-centred and government administrative work. Isabel is an active Christian and brings a personable approach to her work.

Kate will continue to be a presence within the Parish as she will continue be the Editor of the Together and will assist with a range of other activities. At a suitable time we will make a presentation to Kate for her loyal and dedicated service to Kapiti Uniting Parish. Should you wish to donate towards this then please place that in an envelope that is suitably marked and pass it on to the Treasurer.

The UCANZ Parish Review Team has forwarded a draft of their Review for Parish Council to verify factual statements. This will then be returned to UCANZ for the final document to be presented to the Parish.

The first Parish Council Open Meeting will take place at Raumati Church in the Lounge on Tuesday 14 May. Starting at 7.30 pm it will be open for all Parish members to attend and in which they may participate. Discussions will look at various issues and concerns raised before or during the meeting.

Jan Gibbs has now retired from her manager's role at Thrifty Place. We are grateful for her long and consistent service to the Parish over many years. We wish her well and thank her most sincerely for her leadership of Thrifty Place. In the near future, Jan will be suitably honoured.

Ma te Atua e Whakau, kei te pono me te hari...God fill you with truth and joy. *Syd Mephram*

## Waikanae Congregation

### Lenten worship

We have journeyed through Lent towards Easter. Our worship leaders have helped us focus on significant aspects of Lent featured in the ecumenical lectionary. We have enjoyed good liturgy led by Diana Roberts, Colin Anderson, Maureen Calhaem, Rosalie Sugrue, Diana Roberts, and Rev Cornelia Grant. Singing with strong accompaniment from our musicians Marie Smith, Joan Baber and Murray Collingwood has been appreciated.

### Lenten studies

John Roberts facilitated three Lenten studies in the series 'Entering the Passion of Jesus' using DVD presentations and a written resource of Amy-Jill Levine, a Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies in the USA. The studies looked at three incidents where Jesus takes risks, and explore their implications both for him and us: the temple - risking righteous anger; the first dinner - risking rejection; Jerusalem - risking reputation. These were well received.

### Easter

Our **Good Friday** service used a 'Liturgy of Nails' and was led by John Roberts. It was a series of readings, responses, with silent reflection and prayer, designed to help us enter more deeply into the meaning of Good Friday.

On **Easter Sunday** we celebrated Jesus' resurrection in word and sacrament. John Roberts led the liturgy with the reflection given by Diana Roberts.



## Kapiti Counselling Service

The Parish's own professional counselling service is available for confidential counselling or discussions for any member of the Parish or their family.

The counsellors are Marie Livesey, Penny Currier, Angela Claridge and Syd Mephram.

Phone 905 2374. Please leave a message and contact will be made.

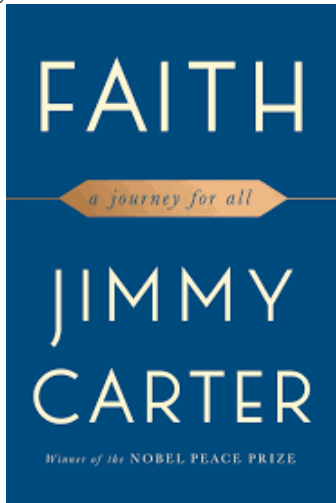
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## Book Review

I am not what might be called an avid book reader, but, as I am spending some time in hospital, reading becomes a good idea and having recently bought a book because of the person who wrote it, I have been able to concentrate and can share it with you.

Former United States of America President Jimmy Carter is known for his Christian faith and the title of this particular book is ~ “Faith, a Journey For All.” From its title one could imagine reading a Baptist sermon, but the opening chapters speak of the faith that is

needed as President, in the dealings between the nations and their leaders, and while reading I had flashbacks to some of the confrontations between USA and major players in the wars taking place at that time.

Most interesting is the path this man takes from a family of peanut farmers, through Annapolis training for Naval service, to serve on nuclear submarines, take part in the development of nuclear engines for submarines and on into public life and the Presidency.

His parents were devout and active fundamentalists in their Baptist church fellowship in Plains, Georgia. Workers on the farm were largely black, so Carter’s childhood playmates were, for the most part, black. He lived through two periods, when his mother and the household would help the many down-and-out people who called at their door. Both hoboes and desperate families had no homes and Carter wrote that his home was fortunate in a bad time to be relatively well-off.

In a chapter titled “Challenges to Faith” he writes of the terrible decisions America had to make regarding the morality of unleashing heavy weapons against nations such as Iraq and Vietnam, where the damage was largely inflicted on the poorer citizens.

There is so much to commend this book that I cannot give it full justice here, but it could be the subject of a discussion. After his Presidency, together with wife Rosalynn, he was involved in such activities as “Habitat for Humanity” and many others.

*Don Niccol*

## Friday Playgroup

The first term for the Waikanae Church Playgroup ended on 12 April. Sessions will resume for the second term on 3 May. Numbers now average about 10-12 children, a nice number for the size of the facility. Favourite activities are music time, with the parachute and blowing bubbles. We are grateful for the time and effort the Playgroup Co-ordinator Melissa McGregor puts in and for the support Marie Smith and Judith Bradley provide at the Friday morning sessions.

## Women’s Fellowship

Ansie Esterhuizen spoke on her recent visit to Ireland at the April meeting. On Sunday 26 May there will be a focus on the National Women’s Fellowship special objective for 2019. A fundraising lunch in the church lounge will follow the service. The NZ focus of the fundraising is ‘Bellyful’, an organisation that provides meals for families with newborn babies, also families with young children struggling with illness. The overseas focus is the CWS partner in Fiji ‘SEEP’ (Social Empowerment Education Programme) founded on social justice with people-centred development.

*Rev. John and Diana Roberts*

## Waikanae Women's Fellowship

### Special Project Service and Fundraising Morning Tea Sunday 26 May at 9.15 am

'Bellyful' is a New Zealand organisation which provides meals to families who are struggling with serious illness and a newborn baby.

The overseas project is in Fiji, encouraging more effective agriculture and better protection from natural disasters.

This is our annual fundraising effort and a donation of \$5 per person would be appreciated.





### Here on 5 May: NZ's acclaimed classical trio

New Zealand's international classical trio Te Kōkī Trio performs at the Raumati church on Sunday 5 May.

The trio is the ensemble-in-residence at Te Kōkī - the New Zealand School of Music - where pianist Jian Liu heads the classical performance programme, cellist Inbal Megiddo is a senior lecturer and Martin Riseley (who will play Bill McKeich's 17<sup>th</sup> Century German violin) is head of strings.

All have extensive careers as professional musicians both nationally and internationally, with appearances at famed venues such as Carnegie Hall and the Lincoln and Kennedy Centres. As a trio, they regularly perform in Australia, Singapore and Kuala Lumpur, as well as throughout New Zealand.

In the first half of their performance at the Parish's twice-yearly recital they will play solos by Liszt, Paganini, de Sarasate and other well-known classical composers. In the second half, they will perform Ravel's colourful Piano Trio in A minor, written on the eve of the First World War and recognised as one of the most significant works for piano trio.

"We're delighted to have this stunning, internationally-acclaimed trio playing here at Raumati", said Ralph Martin, whose organising team includes Kapiti music identity Peter Averil. He adds: "Jian, Martin and Inbal tell us that they are looking forward to chatting with our concertgoers over a leisurely afternoon tea after the recital".



New members welcome!  
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## Synod Report 30 March

Levin Uniting hosted the first Synod of the year. Instead of being bogged down with national reports and district business we had a café style meeting with most of the time given over to listening to good things happening in our churches.

Carol Barron, National Coordinator from Christchurch, explained how the 'Methodist Alliance' works. It is the umbrella group for all Methodist social services from big city-based Missions to small parish enterprises and functions to better show 'love in action' by enabling sharing and learning from each other. Gary Clover from Nelson introduced his new carefully-researched history of Methodist missionary beginnings in the Hokianga in the 1830s-40s, a very interesting story, that he calls *Collision, Compromise and Conversion*. Rob Ferguson gave a powerful presentation on his just-concluded 'Christchurch Street Walking Ministry' funded by the Durham Street church (that fell down in the earthquake). He had a budget but no job description, other than to be a friendly face on the streets and listen to those who wanted to talk.

We also heard representatives from parishes in our district share good thing happening at a local level. Ngaio Union showed us images of their just-completed external wall mural with its focus on nature, displaying native birds and plants, with white Ngaio flowers prominent. We also had presentations from Opunake, Upper Hutt, Bell Block, Tawa, and Kapiti - courtesy of Cornelia who ably shared many good things we can be proud of.

Parishes were reminded that some have failed to inform Synod of their representatives for 2019. All clergy are members of Synod and each parish has its own lay representative. There are appointments including two district representatives for Women's Fellowship and Lay preachers. For many years I have worn three lay hats. I would appreciate a Kapiti parishioner relieving me of the Parish hat. It is a role suitable for the chair of Parish Council or anyone interested in the business of Church at a wider than local level. Marie Smith, as the District President of Women's Fellowship, wears the other Women's Fellowship hat. We enjoy travelling together. Normally there are four, Saturday, all day, meetings a year. As the most central location is Palmerston North it is the most frequent venue.

Rosalie Sugrue



# MUSIC RECITAL



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## Youth and Family Update

A quick update on a few things I have been working on.

**Messy Church** is going well, even if it has been a slow start. Those helpers and children that have attended have thoroughly enjoyed the evenings. Next month we will base our theme on standing up to bullying, as the Mental Health Foundation Pink Shirt Day is on the same day as our Messy Church. Watch out for the posters and more information in the next few weeks.

**Parenting support group** is going well, with regular attendees and increased interest from local agencies. We have guest speakers lined up for the coming months and will also look at running a session during the daytime to make the group more accessible to those without childcare in the evenings.

**Fruit and Vege co-op** is still going. If you would like to join up, you will receive two bags of fruits and vegetables weekly for only \$15. They are delivered to the church and you can collect them on Thursday 2.30-3 pm or Friday mornings. If you would like more information or help signing up come and see me. It's a great way to get cheaper, good quality produce without having to go to the shops.

**Community Garden** is growing well and we will be scheduling a garden group meet-up soon to discuss the upcoming season/ plantings etc. Keep an eye on the notices for more information.

**Pastoral Care** I have been meeting up with several people in the community who are struggling and need some extra support in different areas, and have been working alongside them.

As always if you have feedback or suggestions please get in touch via the office or email me – [family.kapitiuniting@gmail.com](mailto:family.kapitiuniting@gmail.com)

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“We need food and equipment to cook, but the biggest needs are tents and mattresses, so we can sleep,” said Sophia in the immediate aftermath of the storm, which has affected nearly three million people.

ACT Alliance members are running camps for displaced people, installing water points, and coordinating the distribution of food and building supplies.



The storm hit when people were about to harvest the maize, cassava and other crops on which they depend. Crop levels were lower than usual due to a period of drought. All has been lost along with most of their livestock.

*ACT Alliance has prepared a joint appeal to assist 62,506 households with food, shelter materials or vouchers, safe water and sanitation, schooling, seeds, livestock and farm tools.*

A donation of \$210 could pay for a family to have food for four months, shelter materials and contribute to a community water supply and sanitation system.

Many people need outside help to get back on their feet, but few people know how deeply this disaster has hurt already vulnerable communities. They have nothing left with which to rebuild their lives. Local ACT Alliance members are part of these communities. They know what needs to be done and who needs help first.



**Please support the Cyclone Idai Appeal at 0800 74 73 72 or online**  
<https://cws.org.nz/what-we-do/emergencies/cyclone-idai-2019/>





## Cyclone Idai Appeal

A month after Cyclone Idai made landfall in Mozambique, families are fearful for their future. The storm swept away homes, crops ripe for harvest and vital infrastructure. Heavy rains left large areas of Malawi, Mozambique and Zimbabwe covered in a lake of more than 2,000 square kilometers.



Considered one of the deadliest storms in the southern hemisphere on record, it has claimed the lives of 960 people and displaced more than a quarter of a million people. The first deaths from cholera have been reported in Mozambique.

Thankfully, local ACT Alliance (Action by Churches Together) members are there to identify needs and put in place plans to help families recover.

They are doing their best to make sure children, older people and those with disabilities get the help they need.

The loss of key bridges and major roads has made access difficult. In the weeks after the storm, the danger of cholera and other water-borne diseases continues to mount.



Mothers like Sophia lost their homes. With her five children, she is sleeping on the ground at a makeshift camp. "We have nothing," she tells ACT Alliance staff members who are working hard to support her family and her neighbours in Malawi.



*Join us for*



**FRIDAY 17 MAY, 5-7PM**

Pink Shirt Day is on Friday 17 May in 2019.  
Join the movement to stop bullying and spread aroha and kindness!

Come along and join us at Messy Church for an evening exploring these themes. Everyone is welcome.

Activities, stories, crafts, games, dinner & dessert  
Koha appreciated for dinner & dessert.

**KAPITI UNITING PARISH - RAUMATI CHURCH**

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*Speak UP*  
**STAND TOGETHER  
STOP BULLYING**



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## Small House Groups

Kapiti Uniting Parish currently has three small house groups meeting regularly. All three come from the Raumati congregation, and the Waikanae congregation also has frequent Sunday after church meetings on a regular basis. These could be seen as small group meetings.

At a recent church meeting held in conjunction with the Parish Review Group it was suggested that a way of supporting and nurturing each other on our journeys of faith could be through the establishment of more small House/Home/Study groups.

In the light of this suggestion the Parish Council has approached Joy Mephram to take on the role of co-ordinator to support the growth of such groups. Now that Easter is behind us with its challenges and blessings it is time to look ahead to the next steps.

In order to assess a response to the idea of small groups throughout the Parish, a meeting for all those interested will be held on **Sunday 26 May, 2.30 pm**, in the lower meeting room at Raumati. The intention is to bring together a small team of three or four people to pray and plan and bring together a framework upon which all groups can build. In the meantime, Joy can be contacted on 293 6557.

*It has been said that small groups can become the lifeline of a successful Church, enriching and changing peoples lives. (Eden.co.uk).*



*A musical surprise on Easter Sunday! Pianist Patricia Murray brought along family visiting from Germany:*

*Bronwyn (piano), Wolfgang (viola) and Patrick (French horn).*



## Prayer Requests

may be made to:

Mary Francis 904 0457 or [billandmary262@gmail.com](mailto:billandmary262@gmail.com)  
Merrill Baker 902 4134 or [amkram.nz@gmail.com](mailto:amkram.nz@gmail.com)  
Mary White 298 7727 or [marywhite@xtra.co.nz](mailto:marywhite@xtra.co.nz)

Your name will not be used without your permission. A small carefully selected group of your Church family will be praying, they will not discuss these requests with anyone else, unless you require them to. We do not necessarily need details as **'God'** will know the facts.

Please be aware that these are the contact names for requests.  
A larger group not named here are praying.

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*Just begin one, one, one. Begin by praying for someone. Begin at home by saying something good to your child, to your husband or to your wife. Begin by helping someone in need in your community, at church, at work or at school. Begin by making whatever you do something beautiful for God.*  
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