



The Sydney Maori Anglican Fellowship
Church of Te Wairua Tapu Inc.

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SATURDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2011

“GOD WITH US”



ATIRIKONA: Kaio Malcolm Karipa
KAIKARAKIA: Karauna Waititi

CHRISTMAS CAROLS:

Opening Carol	Joy To The World
Gradual	Kei Roto Te Teparā
Offertory	Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
Communion	Haere Mai Ra Koutou
Closing Carol	Silent Night

RARANGI:

I whakakikokikoa te Kupu, a noho ana i a matou, i kite ano matou i tona kororia he kororia e rite ana ki to te Tama kotahi a te Matua, ki tonu i te aroha noa, i te pono. **Hone 1:14**

SENTENCE:

The Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the father. **John 1:14**

COLLECT:

Son of God, light that shines in the dark, child of joy and peace, help us to come to you and be born anew this holy night. **AMEN**

1ST READING: Isaiah 9:2-7

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the

harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onwards and for evermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

2ND READING: Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL READING:

Luke 2:1-14

Praise and Glory to God

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from

the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours.

This is the Gospel of Christ.
Praise to Christ the Word

PRAYERFUL PATHWAYS

We pray for the sick:

Ellen Johnson	Ken Rau
Sam Morunga	Keita Murray
Queenie Connell	Nancy Baker
Michael Madden	Mark Kahui
Dolly Tepania	

We remember:

John Pewhairangi	21 Dec 2001
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Colour: **WHITE**

LAST WEEK

The theme last week was **A God Near at Hand**. How close does God need to be to us before we realize God's presence? In the 1st Testament reading we find God very close to the people, restrained in an ark and housed in a tent. Upon reflection, King David had built himself a house of cedar and wanted to construct a building worthy to host God. But God basically responds by saying, who do you think you are? I took you from being a shepherd to being a prince over my people Israel; and I was with you wherever you went, and I cut off all your enemies and I will make your name great just

God and I will build my own where when I am good and ready, I don't need your help! How easy we can fall into the trap of believing we know the mind, heart and soul of God and what is good for God. We are sometimes not happy enough just to know that God is with us, in us and permeating through us! In our gospel reading, Mary was given the sacred responsibility of being hapu with Jesus who will become even more famous than his ancestor David! An angel from God tells Mary, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, he will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' 'For nothing is impossible with God.' On the last Sunday in advent, have we all reflected upon our own lives over the past four weeks, taken stock of what we have achieved or not achieved in the past year, recognised the good we have done for ourselves and others and stopped wanting to harm anyone else. Are we all prepared to begin our lives refreshed, ready to rebuild our church, our community and the world we live in! A world not built on our own egos but built on our faith, trust and hope in God. Grandparents, parents, godparents, aunties and uncles we are all no different from David and Mary, born humble people but rose to amazing heights by trusting God. We have an awesome responsibility to take care of all our children and tamariki, *EMPOWER THEM SPIRITUALLY AND CULTURALLY SO THEY WILL BE A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY, BE OF SERVICE TO OTHERS AND GROW AND EXPAND OUR COMMUNITY*. God's values must be a priority for our tamariki! If they grow up knowing the difference between good and bad, right and wrong, they can only then grow up to make a real difference in the world! Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

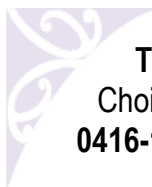
LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

TWT attendance	40 Adults 14 Tamariki
Donations	\$100.00
Collection	\$245.35
Direct Debits	\$ 315.00
Auto Donations	\$ 77.50
Fundraising	\$0.00
Total Contributions	\$737.85

FINANCIAL DONATIONS

If you wish to make an automatic payment or a donation, our **Westpac Bank** account details are as

The Sydney Maori Anglican Fellowship
Number 2 Account BSB: 032082 Account No 155562



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TWT CHOIR SMAC

Choir for 2012, Call Char Roberts
0416-135-894 for more information.

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NGA KUPU TAPU

Nga Kupu Tapu i Roto i Te Reo hold Maori language classes every Sunday from 7:30am to 9:30am at Te Wairua Tapu.

NB – classes will re-commence 8th January 2012
Contact Wara Heremaia on **0406-585-575**

NOTICEBOARD:

Belated Bits	Condolences to: ➤ The whanau and friends of Carmen Rupe who was laid to rest at Rookwood Cemetry on Tuesday 20 th December 2011. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Upcoming Events	<p>Saturday 24 December: A reminder that we will be holding our Christmas Eve Service at Te Wairua Tapu commencing at 11.30pm.</p> <p>Sunday 25 December: The Birth of the Saviour There will be a 10.30am Christmas Day Service held at Te Wairua Tapu this year as it falls on a Sunday including a Christening, with a pot luck lunch to follow – please contact Angela Gaare 0425 295 833 or angela_gaare@yahoo.com</p> <p>Sunday 1st January 2012: Happy New Year! Service at 10.30am.</p>

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