



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



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# SUNDAY 31 JULY 2011

## "GOD'S WORK"



**ATIRIKONA:** Kaio Karipa

**KAIKARAKIA:** Norman Rogers

### **HYMNS:**

Opening Hymn: **248/248A**

Gradual Hymn: **231**

Offertory Hymn: **255**

Communion: **166/207**

Closing Hymn: **92**

### **SENTENCE:**

For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, says the Lord, so shall your descendants and your name remain. From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, says the Lord. **Isaiah 66:22, 23**

### **COLLECT:**

God of the hungry, make us hunger and thirst for the right, till our thirst for justice has been satisfied and hunger gone from the earth. **Amen**

**1ST READING: Genesis 32:22-31**

### **Jacob Wrestles at Peniel**

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had.

Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

**2ND READING: Romans 9:1-5**

### **God's Election of Israel**

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. **Amen.**

**GOSPEL READING: Matthew**

**14:13-21**

### **Feeding the Five Thousand**

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a

deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

### TWT GROUPS

#### KAHUI WAHINE CHRISTMAS IN JULY

This Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July starts 12noon \$39

All Welcome, RSVP by 24<sup>th</sup> July call Angela

0425295833 or Pat 0402685193 or email

[pat@tewairuatapu.com.au](mailto:pat@tewairuatapu.com.au) for more information.

#### TWT CHOIR SMAC

Choir practice is every Wednesday night at 7pm. Call Char Roberts – **0416-135-894** for more information.

#### TE WAIRUA TAPU FACEBOOK



'LIKE' US ON FACEBOOK: Keep up on all the latest by joining our 'Church of Te Wairua Tapu - Poihakena' page. Search on the name and then click the LIKE button. Or click on the link below

[Te Wairua Tapu Facebook](#)

#### 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.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### NGA URI O RAHIRI KAPA HAKA JUNIORS

Nga Uri o Rahiri Kapa Haka Juniors will be performing at Te Wairua Tapu on Sunday 31 July during the 10.30am service. All are welcome!

#### WOLLONGONG SERVICE

A reminder that the Wollongong service will be held on Sunday 14 August at 3pm at Fairy Meadow Community Centre, Fairy Meadow.

## LAST WEEK

### THE VENERABLE'S CORNER

With the visit of Mt Roskill Grammar School Rugby Team last Sunday, I made mention of 3 significant past pupils to attend their college. Firstly, Rugby league player **Evarn Tuimavave**, who played for the Warriors, the Kiwis and was part of the 2008 World Cup winning squad. Evarn currently plays for the Newcastle Knights. Another famous past student is **Graeme Hart**, reported to be one of the richest persons in Australasia with a personal fortune of NZ\$8.8 billion (US\$6.1b) according to the 2009 **Forbes** rich list. And of course, Russell Crowe, world renowned actor and co-owner of South Sydney Rabbitohs, who the school went to see another past pupil, Adam Henry play for the Warriors on the wing against South's Under 20s following our church service. Adam also played for their 1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby Side. 3 weeks earlier, I received an email from their tour manager, requesting on behalf of the students parents who asked that the team attend "lotu" while in Sydney. Out of all the churches in Sydney, they came to share in worship at Te Wairua Tapu. Mt Roskill Grammar has a proud history and I put to the students, which of you will go on to make your family and your school proud in whatever area of expertise you choose to follow in your futures? Our hope is that all of them do, no matter where in the world they may end up!

Our theme last week was God's purpose. When it comes to God, the little things we do are great in the eyes of God. Just like the parents requesting their children attend worship. I believe their parents had their children's future in mind. In other words, no matter how great they become or how successful they will be in the world, don't forget about God. Take time out to give thanks to God for all that you have. Be grateful! And this message is for all of us! Plant the seed and let God take care it! Our purpose is to seek God out! Because when you find God it's the most fulfilling and liberating experience, it's like the parable where the kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field, when you find it you may tend to hide it as you don't want to share it because some people don't want know about God or you just want to keep God to yourself. Whichever way you look at it, it doesn't really matter because God is in control not you and I. God has a purpose for all of us. Sometimes we just gotta stop fighting and allow God to speak to us. Stop thinking and just start listening!

***VISIT BY MT ROSKILL GRAMMAR SCHOOL RUGBY BOYS***

We were delighted to have Mt Roskill's Rugby Team from Auckland join us last Sunday 24 July 2011 at our 10.30am service. It was also nice that they sang a couple of hymns during the service and waiata and haka after the service during tea and coffee. There were about 38 students accompanied by two teachers.



***ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE AT TE WAIRUA TAPU***

Te Wairua Tapu annual memorial service was held last Sunday 24 July 2011 at 2pm. For those that

attended, it was very moving hearing them speak about their loved ones who were such an important influence on their lives.



***PRAYERFUL PATHWAYS***

***We remember:***

Shalane Baker 29 Jul 2009  
 Michael Tioriori 30 Jul 2009  
 William Cooper 21 Jul 2011  
 Jimmy Haula 22 Jul 2011

***We pray for the sick:***

Carmen Rupe	Ken Rau
Aphir Tahitahi	Sam Morunga
Phil Kingi	Ray Husband



## *LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS*

TWT Attendance: **69 & 8 Tamariki**

Communicants: **42**

Memorial Service Attendance: **35**

Donations: **\$100.00**

TWT Collection: **\$95.05**

Memorial Collection: **\$238.00**

Direct Debit: **\$652.50**

Auto Donations: **\$77.50**

Fundraising: **\$0.00**

Total contributions: **\$1263.05**



## *DONATIONS*

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

**The Sydney Maori Anglican Fellowship**

**Number 2 Account**

BSB: **032082**

Account Number: **155562**