

Welcome! Haere mai!

St John's Anglican Church, Ōtūmoetai



Sunday 30th August 2026

Liturgy: p476

OT 22

Psalm 105:1-6,23-26, 44b

Greetings all:

This week we will continue to hear the story of Moses - with his encounter of a burning bush - and the next part of the story of Jesus and Peter. Last week Peter was giving the 'right' answer to Jesus and this week (shortly afterwards in the story) Peter is being rebuked by Jesus. Oh, how things can change quite quickly in our discipleship / faith journey.

No matter where you may be on that journey of faith / certainty / getting it 'wrong' / or not being sure ... you are loved by God and by your church / faith community ... and no doubts loved by others too!

The Romans reading also has some good directives of how to live ... two parts I really like (and try to emulate in my life) are "be sincere in your love for others" and "do your best to live at peace with everyone".

Living at peace with everyone is not always easy, so each day / moment we get to try and try again.

I am looking forward to being with you all again on Sunday.

Grace and peace,

Gendi OHC

WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY: 30 August 2026

Sentence:

If you want to become a disciple of Jesus, deny yourself, take up your cross and follow him. *Matthew 16:24–25*

Collect:

**God of unchangeable power,
our strength at all times;
guard us from all dangers
and support us in all difficulties
that we may live victoriously now and forever;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.**

OT Reading *Exodus 3:1-15*

NT Reading *Romans 12:9-21*

Gospel *Matthew 16:21-28*

Prayers of the People

Today we celebrate and give thanks for the Five Marks, which guide and provide a basis for everything we do at Anglican Missions and Anglican World Aid, and we pray for Ecumenical Bodies including Christian World Service and Uniting Churches of Aotearoa.

We pray also for those in need, especially those who have asked for our prayers: Craig, Viv, Lynda, Lawrence, Reg, Jon, Angela R, Robyn.

Choral Evensong

All Parishioners are invited to attend the liturgy of Choral Evensong at St. Peter's Anglican Church in Mount Maunganui on the first Sunday of every month at 4.00pm. **September** - Kiwi AS Evensong: Works by New Zealand composers.

Church Working Bee - Reminder

Saturday 12th September, 10.30am. A reminder that our Church Working Bee is coming up soon. We'll be tackling a range of indoor cleaning and tidying jobs, so if you can spare an hour or two, your help would be greatly appreciated. Many hands make light work!

Filled with the Spirit – A Documentary

Filled with the Spirit: The New Zealand Anglican Charismatic Movement explores the history, impact and legacy of charismatic renewal within the Anglican Church from the late 1950s through to the 1980s. Told through first-hand accounts and archival material, it is an inspiring look at faith, transformation and the people who helped shape a movement. **The documentary features Edward Prebble, a former Vicar of St John's, as well as Revs Dale and Paul Williamson.**

7:30pm, Tuesday 8 September

Shine TV – Channel 25 Freeview | Channel 201 Sky TV

The documentary will be available to stream afterwards at [Shine TV](https://www.shinetv.co.nz/).

<https://www.shinetv.co.nz/>

Watch the trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eG5RiVa6Uss>

Toy Library

Did you know we run a Toy Library for our community? Donations of toys or financial gifts are always warmly appreciated.

This Week Beginning: 31st August

Wednesday 10:00 am Mid-week Communion

2:00 pm SAYGo in the hall

Thursday 12:30 pm Books and Friends @ Kunul Café

Friday 9:30 am Senior Chef

Sunday 9:30 am Holy Communion

Op Shop 10:00 am – 4:00 pm Monday to Friday

10:00 am – 1:00 pm Saturday

Playgroup 9:30am – 11:30 am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Toy Library 9:30am – 11:30 am Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

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