

Welcome to  
**CHRIST CHURCH  
CATHEDRAL, NELSON**  
Te Wharenui Karakia o Whakatū

**SUNDAY 19 APRIL 2026**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter | Te Rātapu Tuatoru o te Aranga

Kia ora Cathedral Whānau,

I am very aware that some in our Cathedral family have been going through very difficult times. This can be due to health, relationships, employment or any other reason as we face the lows of life which can threaten to overwhelm us. On Thursday morning, the Psalm for the day had some very timely words (Psalm 34: verse 18):

The Lord is near to those who are broken hearted:  
The Lord saves those who are crushed in spirit.

As is so often the case, in these times it can be hard to sense God's presence with us, and it is only by looking back from the other side of pain that we recognise God's loving guidance. To quote the famous poem *Footprints in the Sand* - as we look back we see that God has been "carrying you". In the meantime, we can lean into words such as those from Psalm 34 or Psalm 23 (*The Lord is my shepherd*) and take the opportunity to repeat them in our times of need, knowing that the Lord is near and will never leave or forsake us, no matter what we face.

On a happier note, this Sunday I will be presenting Rev Jenny Wilkens with her "Permission to Officiate" licence (commonly called a PTO). As you can read in the Cathedral News, Jenny has recently retired back to Nelson from the St Barnabas Parish in Fendalton, Christchurch, and brings with her a wide range of Cathedral, Parish, pastoral and ministry education experience. It is great that she is joining the Nelson Cathedral family. The PTO licence means that Jenny has the Bishop's approval to function as a priest in the Nelson Diocese and within the ministry of our Cathedral. I know we will all appreciate the ministry that Jenny is offering, so in presenting Jenny with her licence this is our opportunity to welcome her to the ministry team and parish family.

God Bless,

*Graham*



## WELCOME TO YOUR CATHEDRAL!

We are delighted to have families with children worship with us. Our CathedralKids Programme for ages 5-ish to 12 runs during the school term. Activity sheets are available for children, please ask the sidespeople. Toilets can be found outside by exiting the main door and turning right.

### **SERVICE INFORMATION:**

- ◆ Hearing Assistance technology is available. Please see the 'Contacts' page in the end of the Bulletin for more details.
- ◆ Ramp for access to the Sanctuary (on the right side).
- ◆ Special chairs available from Pulpit side for those with disabilities / back problems.

### **HEALTH ADVISORY NOTICE:**

Worshippers experiencing cold or flu-like illnesses or associated symptoms are advised to stay home.

### **EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROCEDURES:**

In the event of a fire please follow the directions of the wardens and assemble at the nearest Assembly Point (top of the Church steps, or in the car park by the notice board). In the event of an earthquake Drop, Cover and Hold. If you are unable to get under a pew, please adopt the emergency brace position and cover your head and neck with your arms. Do not attempt to run outside once shaking has started. Once shaking has stopped please follow the directions of the wardens in evacuating the building. If you notice someone in need of assistance during the evacuation please provide help if you are able or notify a warden.

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## SERVICES

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### 8:00AM

Celebrant

Preacher

Readings

### HOLY COMMUNION

Precentor Steve Jordan

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Acts 2:14a, 36-41, I Peter 1:17-23, Luke 24:13-35

### 10:00AM

Celebrant

Preacher

Readings

Hymns

### CHORAL COMMUNION

Dean Graham O'Brien

Precentor Steve Jordan

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Psalm

Psalm 116:1-4, 11-18

### 5:00PM

Minister of Liturgy

Reflection

Readings

Hymns

### EVENING PRAYER WITH HYMNS

Dean Graham O'Brien

Dean Emeritus Charles Tyrrell

I Peter 1:17-25, Luke 24:36-49 (p21)

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There will be no church service for the Whakatū Anglican Māori Mission this Sunday. As a part of Te Hui Amorangi O Te Waipounamu, they are meeting this weekend to choose their new Pihopa (Bishop).



CathedralKids resumes April 26th



# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, NELSON



## CHORAL COMMUNION

Sunday 19 April 2026

Order of Service

<i>Celebrant</i>	<b>Dean Graham O'Brien</b>
<i>Preacher</i>	<b>Precentor Steve Jordan</b>
<i>Minister of Liturgy</i>	<b>Nicky Calder</b>
<i>Organist</i>	<b>Paul Chan</b>
<i>Choral Director</i>	<b>Nigel Weeks</b>
<i>Communion Setting</i>	<b>John Rutter</b>

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*Please stand as we sing*

### **REJOICE! THE LORD IS KING (CA580)**

- 1**                    **Rejoice, the Lord is King!**  
**Your Lord and King adore;**  
**mortals, give thanks and sing,**  
**and triumph evermore.**  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;*  
*rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*
  
- 2**                    **Jesus the Saviour reigns,**  
**the God of truth and love;**  
**when he had purged our stains,**  
**he took his seat above.**  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;*  
*rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*
  
- 3**                    **His kingdom cannot fail;**  
**he rules o'er earth and heav'n;**  
**the keys of death and hell**  
**are to our Jesus giv'n.**  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;*  
*rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

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**He sits at God's right hand  
till all his foes submit,  
and bow to his command,  
and fall beneath his feet.  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.***

*Charles Wesley / G.F. Handel*

## **Welcome**

Dean Graham O'Brien

Dean                      Grace and peace to you from God.  
**All                      God fill you with truth and joy.**

Dean                      The Lord be with you.  
**All                      The Lord bless you.**

Dean                      This is the day which the Lord has made.  
**All                      Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Please be seated*

Minister of Liturgy    Let us pray

*We say the Collect for Purity together*

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden;  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
so that we may truly love you  
and worthily praise your holy name;  
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## **New Commandment**

Minister of Liturgy Hear the teaching of Christ: "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you."

**All Spirit of God, search our hearts.**

*The choir sings the Kyrie*

*Lord have mercy*

*Christ have mercy*

*Lord have mercy*

## **The Invitation and the Confession**

Minister of Liturgy Hear God's word to all who turn to Christ:  
Jesus said: "Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." (*Matthew 11:28*)

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving.  
In silence we call to mind our sins.

*(Silence)*

Let us confess our sins.

**All Merciful God,  
we have sinned  
in what we have thought and said,  
in the wrong we have done  
and in the good we have not done.  
We have sinned in ignorance:  
we have sinned in weakness:  
we have sinned through  
our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry.  
We repent and turn to you.  
Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake,  
and renew our lives to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

*The Absolution is pronounced by the Celebrant*

Celebrant                      Through the cross of Christ,  
God have mercy on you,  
pardon you and set you free.  
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.  
God strengthen you in all goodness  
and keep you in life eternal.

**All                              Amen.**

*The choir sings the Gloria*

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heav'nly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you,  
we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ,  
only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.*

Minister of Liturgy        The peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

**All                              The Word of Christ dwell in us richly.**

## The Sentence and Collect

Sentence I love the Lord,  
because he has heard my voice and my supplications.  
Because he inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.  
*Psalm 116:1-2*

**Collect** **Jesus, we believe you; all we heard is true.**  
**You break the bread, we recognise you,**  
**you are the fire that burns within us;**  
**use us to light the world.**  
**Hear this prayer for your love's sake.**  
**Amen.**

*Please be seated for the reading*

## The Proclamation of the Word

### The First Reading

**Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

*Read by Jim Wiseman*

<sup>14a</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them:  
<sup>36</sup> Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.’  
<sup>37</sup> Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, ‘Brothers, what should we do?’  
<sup>38</sup> Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.’  
<sup>40</sup> And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, ‘Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.’ <sup>41</sup> So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church  
**All Thanks be to God**

*We remain seated as the choir sings Psalm 116:1-4, 11-18*

- 1 I love the Lord, because he heard my voice :  
the voice of my supplication;*
- 2 Because he inclined his ear to me :  
in the day that I called to him.*
- 3 The cords of death encompassed me,  
the snares of the grave took hold on me :  
I was in anguish and sorrow.*
- 4 Then I called upon the name of the Lord :  
'O Lord, I beseech you, deliver me!'*
- 11 How shall I repay the Lord :  
for all his benefits to me?*
- 12 I will take up the cup of salvation :  
and call upon the name of the Lord.*
- 13 I will pay my vows to the Lord :  
in the presence of all his people.*
- 14 Grievous in the sight of the Lord :  
is the death of his faithful ones.*
- 15 O Lord, I am your servant,  
your servant and the son of your handmaid :  
you have unloosed my bonds.*
- 16 I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving :  
and call upon the name of the Lord.*
- 17 I will pay my vows to the Lord :  
in the presence of all his people,*
- 18 In the courts of the house of the Lord :  
even in your midst, O Jerusalem.  
Praise the Lord.*

*Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever.  
Amen.*

## The New Testament Reading

### I Peter 1:17-23

*Read by Dale Barry*

<sup>17</sup> If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup> You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish.

<sup>20</sup> He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake.

<sup>21</sup> Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

<sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup> You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader                      Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

**All                              Thanks be to God**

*Please stand to sing the Gradual Hymn*

## **THE DAY OF RESURRECTION (CA637)**

**I                              The day of resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad;  
the passover of gladness,  
the passover of God!  
From death to life eternal,  
from earth unto the sky,  
our Christ hath brought us over  
with hymns of victory.**

**2** Our hearts be pure from evil,  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection-light;  
And, list'ning to his accents,  
may hear so calm and plain  
his own "All hail," and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

**3** Now let the heav'ns be joyful  
and earth her song begin,  
the round world keep high triumph,  
and all that is therein;  
let all things seen and unseen,  
their notes of gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord hath risen,  
our joy that hath no end.

*St John of Damascus / J.M. Neale*

*Please remain standing for the Gospel reading*

**The Holy Gospel Reading  
Luke 24:13-35**

*Read by Lee-ann O'Brien*

*After the announcement*

**All sing Praise and glory to God**

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' <sup>19</sup> He asked them, 'What things?'

They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified

him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.

<sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.'

<sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?'

<sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.'

So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight.

<sup>32</sup> They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?'

<sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!'

<sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ  
**All sing Praise to Christ, the Word**

### **The Sermon**

Precentor Steve Jordan

Minister of Liturgy We stand to affirm our faith  
in the words of the Nicene Creed

**All We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation,  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into Heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and His kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
and has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

Let us pray (*Please kneel or be seated*)

## **Intercessions**

Dean Graham O'Brien

*We conclude our prayers by saying The Lord's Prayer*

**Our Father in Heaven,  
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,  
your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.  
Amen.**

*Please stand for the Peace*

## **The Peace**

Celebrant                      The peace of Christ be always with you.

**All                                And also with you.**

Celebrant                      E te whānau, we are the body of Christ.

**All                                By one Spirit we were baptised into one body.**

Celebrant                      Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

**All                                Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.**

*Please remain standing to sing the Offertory hymn, which is the opportunity to worship God with our gifts of tithes and offerings. (The collection is received.)*

*We also offer up the prayers that people have written during the week.*

## **HEAVEN IS OPEN WIDE (CA271)**

- 1** Heaven is open wide,  
and Christ in glory stands,  
with all authority endowed  
and set at God's right hand.  
Above the world of noise  
extends his reign of peace,  
and all the blood of martyrs calls  
our angry ways to cease.
- 2** Heaven is open wide,  
and perfect love we see  
in God's eternal self revealed:  
the blessed Trinity.  
Christ for the Church has prayed,  
that we may all be one,  
and share the triune grace whereby  
creation was begun.
- 3** Heaven is open wide,  
and Christ in glory stands:  
the Source and End, the First and Last,  
with justice in his hands.  
Let all the thirsty come  
where life is flowing free,  
and Christ, in splendour yet unknown,  
our morning star will be.

*K Mayhew/G J Elvey/M Forster*

Celebrant Blessed are you, God of all creation;  
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings given in any form  
for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.  
Accept these prayers written in the Cathedral over the  
week, in the name of your Son.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant

Kei konei te Ariki. The Lord is here.

**All**

**God's Spirit is with us.**

Celebrant

Kia ara o koutou ngakau. Lift up your hearts.

**All**

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant

Kia whakapai tatou ki to tatou Ariki ki te Atua.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All**

**It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

It is right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation,  
holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God,  
at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise  
through Christ your only Son.

You are the source of all life and goodness;  
through your eternal Word  
you have created all things from the beginning  
and formed us in your own image;  
male and female you created us.

When we sinned and turned away  
you called us back to yourself  
and gave your Son to share our human nature.

By his death on the cross,  
He made the one perfect sacrifice  
for the sin of the world  
and freed us from the bondage of sin.  
You raised him to life triumphant over death;  
You exalted him in glory.  
In him you have made us a holy people  
by sending upon us your holy and lifegiving Spirit.

Therefore, with the faithful who rest in him,  
with angels and archangels and all the company of  
heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and singing:

*Choir*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.*



*Blessed is He who comes in the  
the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*Please kneel or be seated*

Celebrant All glory and thanksgiving to you, Holy Father,  
on the night before he died  
your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread;  
when he had given you thanks, he broke it,  
gave it to his disciples, and said:  
Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you;  
do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup;  
when he had given you thanks,  
he gave it to them and said:  
Drink this, all of you,  
for this is my blood of the new covenant  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

**All sing** **Glory to you Lord Christ,  
your death we show forth,  
your resurrection we proclaim,  
your coming we await.  
Amen! Come Lord Jesus.**

Celebrant Therefore, loving God,  
recalling your great goodness to us in Christ,  
his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life  
and this cup of salvation.

Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving  
which we offer through Christ our great high priest.

Send your Holy Spirit  
that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive  
may be to us the body and blood of Christ,  
and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power  
may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

United in Christ  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, O God,  
in songs of everlasting praise.

**All sing**

**Blessing, honour and glory be yours,  
here and everywhere, now and forever. Amen.**

### **The Communion**

Celebrant

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All**

**We who are many are one body, for we all  
share the one bread.**



**We do not presume to come to your holy table,  
merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your great mercy.**

**We are not worthy even to gather the crumbs  
from under your table.**

**But you are the same Lord whose nature is  
always to have mercy.**

**Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the body of your dear Son,  
Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,  
that we may evermore dwell in him  
and he in us.**

**Amen.**

*Choir*

*Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.*

*Jesus, bearer of our sins:  
have mercy on us.*

*Jesus, redeemer of the world:  
give us your peace.*

### **The Invitation**

Celebrant

Draw near and receive the body and blood of our  
Saviour Jesus Christ in remembrance that he died for us.  
Let us feed on him in our hearts  
by faith with thanksgiving.

*The congregation is invited to receive communion by coming up the side aisles and returning down the centre aisle. Wafers will be offered and gluten free wafers available on request. Wine is available in the common cup (no intinction/dipping) and both wine and juice are offered in individual cups.*

*The Choir will sing during Communion.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

Celebrant

Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living,  
he declared your love,  
gave us grace  
and opened the gate of glory.

**All**

**May we who share Christ's body  
Live his risen life;  
We who drink his cup  
Bring life to others;  
We whom the Spirit lights  
Give light to the world.**

**Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
So we and all your children shall be free,  
And the whole earth live to praise your name.  
Amen.**

### **Notices**

Dean Graham O'Brien

*Please stand to sing our final Hymn*

### **WE HAVE A GOSPEL TO PROCLAIM (CA716)**

**I We have a gospel to proclaim,  
good news for all throughout the earth;  
the gospel of a Saviour's name:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.**

- 2           **Tell of his birth at Bethlehem**  
not in a royal house or hall,  
but in a stable dark and dim,  
the **W**ord made flesh, a light for all.
- 3           **Tell of his death at Calvary,**  
hated by those he came to save;  
in lonely suffering on the **C**ross;  
for all he loved, his life he gave.
- 4           **Tell of that glorious Easter morn,**  
empty the tomb, for he was free.  
He broke the pow'r of death and hell  
that we might share his victory.
- 5           **Tell of his reign at God's right hand,**  
by all creation glorified.  
He sends his **S**pirit on his **C**hurch  
to live for him, the **L**amb who died.
- 6           **Now we rejoice to name him King:**  
**J**esus is Lord of all the earth.  
**T**his gospel-message we proclaim:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

*E.J. Burns / W. Gardiner*

### **Blessing and Dismissal of the Community**

Dean           *Haere i runga i te rangimarie i runga i te aroha*  
*me te ngakau hihiko ki te mahi ki te Ariki.*  
Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

**All           Amen. We go in the name of Christ.**



### **Organ Voluntary**

Fuga alla Händel in F-Dur op. 49 Nr. 6 - Alexandre Guilmant

## **Evening Service First Reading: I Peter 1:17-25**

<sup>17</sup> If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup> You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup> He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup> Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

<sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart.

<sup>23</sup> You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. <sup>24</sup> For

‘All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers, and the flower falls,

<sup>25</sup> but the word of the Lord endures for ever.’

That word is the good news that was announced to you.

## **Evening Service Second Reading : Luke 24:36-49**

<sup>36</sup> While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ <sup>37</sup> They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup> He said to them, ‘Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?’ <sup>39</sup> Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.’

<sup>40</sup> And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup> While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, ‘Have you anything here to eat?’ <sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate in their presence.

<sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, ‘These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.’ <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, ‘Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.

<sup>49</sup> And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.’

# PRAYERS

## CHURCH

### REEFTON AND GREY VALLEY MISSION UNIT

- ☞ Lay Minister Hilary Ladds
- ☞ Pastoral and Eldercare
- ☞ Mission Unit Committee
- ☞ Pray for an increase of people in the Parish, seeking God.

### Te Hui Amorangi O Te Waipounamu

and the process for electing a new Pihopa (Bishop)

## COMMUNITY

- ☞ Those who are affected by the sudden cold weather
- ☞ The whānau of the two boys who drowned in Kawarau
- ☞ Those who are still facing the effects of tropical Cyclone Vaianu

### CATHEDRAL CARE TEAM

The team are a group of parishioners who are willing to help others if and when they would appreciate some form of help. We are prepared to offer a friendly, listening ear, the occasional meal or perhaps transport for things like hospital appointments, trips to the doctor or Cathedral events such as CAMEO. If you know of someone who needs prayer, a visit, home Communion, or any other Cathedral family, please contact

**Rev Nigel Whinney**  
**021 118 9985**

## WORLD

- ☞ Pray for a just peace in Ukraine
- ☞ Pray for peace throughout the Middle East
- ☞ Prayer for stability of the world economy

## THOSE SICK / IN NEED OF PRAYER

Lindsey, Lachlan, Judith, Katherine, Marcus McGregor-Clarke, Ruby, Monu Lokhande, Doreen, Mary Toll, Wendi & Stann, Paul, James, Andrew, Charlotte, Christine, Gillian Etherington, Peter Fletcher, Lynnley Capell, Scott & Rachel

### BARNABAS PRAYER

**Sunday 19 April, 2026**

Lord God, we thank You for equipping many of Your people with gifts in communicating the Word of God through preaching, teaching and explaining the Gospel. We ask You to give them increasing discernment to handle Your Word accurately and the sensitivity to communicate it effectively to different audiences. We pray against any discouragement for those operating in regions where there is hostility or extreme indifference, and for Your assurance that their work will bear fruit, if they do not lose heart. We ask You to provide them richly with resources to grow and carry out this vital ministry led by the Spirit of Jesus, in whose victorious Name we pray.

(2 Timothy 2:15; Galatians 6:7-9)

## SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES IN APRIL/MAY

<b>Tuesday 21 April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walking Group 9am</li> <li>• Meditation Group 5-6pm</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday 22 April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11am Holy Communion</li> <li>• 12pm Emmaus Bible Study</li> </ul>
<b>Saturday 25 April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dawn Service ANZAC Park 6am</li> <li>• ANZAC Day Wreath Laying on Piki Mai 9am</li> <li>• ANZAC Day Civic Service at Nelson Cathedral 11am</li> </ul>
<b>Sunday 26 April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holy Communion 8am</li> <li>• Choral Communion 10am (Choir and Cathedral Kids return)</li> <li>• Whakatū Anglican Māori Mission 12:30pm</li> <li>• Choral Evensong <b>5pm</b></li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday 28 April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walking Group 9am</li> <li>• Meditation Group 5-6pm</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday 29 April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11am Holy Communion</li> <li>• 12pm Emmaus Bible Study</li> </ul>
<b>Sunday 3 May</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holy Communion 8am</li> <li>• Choral Communion 10am</li> <li>• Whakatū Anglican Māori Mission 12:30pm</li> <li>• Choral Evensong <b>5pm</b> (with Chroma Chamber Choir)</li> </ul>

## EVENTS

<b>25 April</b>	ANZAC Day Civic Service at Nelson Cathedral 11am
<b>25 April</b>	ANZAC Day concert with Nelson Male Voice Choir 2:30pm
<b>26 April</b>	Nelson City Brass Band Concert 2pm
<b>2 May</b>	'Monumental' Chroma Chamber Choir concert at Nelson Cathedral 6:30pm

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The Cathedral's 10am and 5pm services are available for viewing on YouTube. Our livestream link is below and is available on our website <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwg-Hxdb7caA2MiHgPxThAw/live>

***Any payments to the Cathedral can be made into the BNZ Bank  
Account Name: Churchwardens of the Parish of Christ Church  
Account Number: 02 0704 0028423 000***


### **Leaving a Bequest:**

If you are considering a Bequest to the Cathedral in your Will, the link below takes you to the wording for your gift, so that your donation is correctly directed to the Cathedral.

**[Legacy | Cathedral](#)**

Remember also to obtain independent legal advice.

### **HEARING ASSISTANCE**

To link into our hearing assistance system, please connect to our  **Wi-Fi** and download the blue **Listen WiFi app** onto your phone and then link your hearing aid by **Bluetooth**.

- 1. Connect to Cathedral AP or Hearing Assist Wi-Fi in your settings**
- 2. Download and open the ListenWiFi App, click on Audio LGTD**
- 3. Bluetooth link to hearing aid must be on**

# ANZAC Day Civic Service at Nelson Cathedral



**11AM 25 APRIL  
2026**

**NELSON MALE VOICE CHOIR**  
presents their annual

## ANZAC DAY CONCERT

with  
**Juliet Ayre, Violin**  
**Louis Lucas-Perry, Piano**  
**Rosemary Galton, Conductor**

**SATURDAY 25TH APRIL, 2.30PM**  
**NELSON CATHEDRAL**

TICKETS \$10-\$25  
AVAILABLE FROM [NMVC.CO.NZ](http://NMVC.CO.NZ)



Congratulations to  
Nigel Weeks on winning  
A Grade Champion Band with  
North Shore Brass, Auckland  
in the recent New Zealand  
Brass Band Competition!

CATHEDRAL WALKING GROUP



What are you doing  
on Tuesday morning?

- See your city from a new angle
- Find your wellbeing and new friends
- Enjoy yummy morning tea
- Meet here in car park



9am Tuesday | Judith 027 319 8511

## NOTICES

**On Saturday 2 May,  
Chroma Chamber Choir  
Presents:**

### **music for choir and organ**

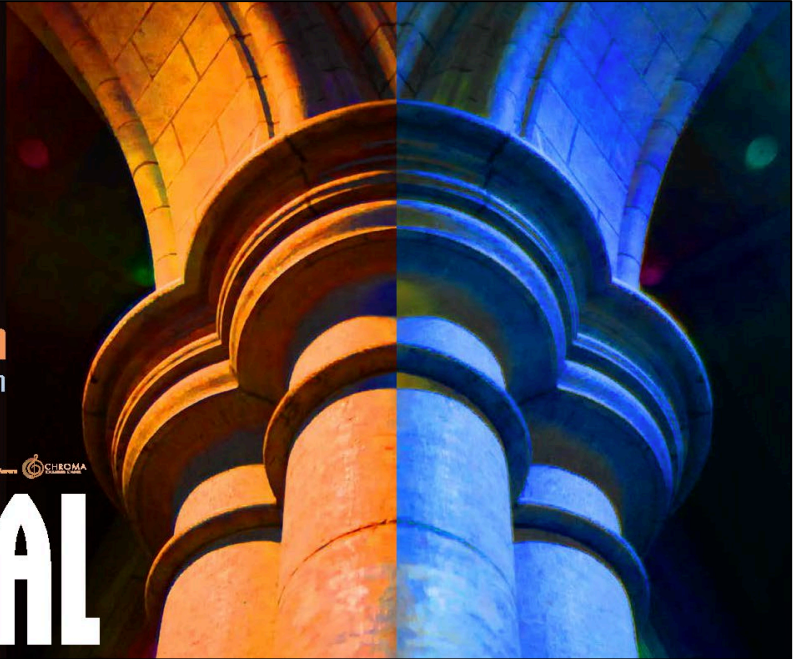
chroma chamber choir · conductor **pete rainey** · organ **paul chan**

works by bruckner, howells, vierne, bach, handel, parry & more

6:30pm saturday 2 may, nelson cathedral

tickets \$30 + booking fee · free for under-18s · book: ncma.nz

# MONUMENTAL



## **MISSION to SEAFARERS PORT NELSON**



Supports visiting seafarers through practical care like welfare visits, transport, Wi-Fi, and 24/7 support – a great ministry that brings the love of Christ in practical ways to seafarers when they're far from home. To find out more about this great ministry and how you might support them, follow them on Facebook (Port Nelson Mission to Seafarers) or contact Amba and the team at [nelsonmts2024@gmail.com](mailto:nelsonmts2024@gmail.com) or 022 560 4761.

### **EMMAUS STUDY**

The Emmaus study group format is a reading of the biblical text and a short exegesis followed by discussion. Wednesdays at 12.00 until 1.00pm.

All are welcome.

### **THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**

#### **April**

22

8: 1-40

Spreading the gospel

29

9: 1-31

Saul's conversion

*May and June to follow on very soon*

## NOTICES



### ✂ **The Craft Group** ✂

meets at 1.30pm  
on Thursdays  
in the Quiet Room .  
Learn a new skill, or  
work on your own project.  
Afternoon tea served.  
For more information  
contact **Judith Fitchett**  
on **027 319 8511**  
or just join us  
in the Quiet Room.



**60<sup>th</sup>**  
*Anniversary*

Warmest  
congratulations  
to Fred & Bev Greig  
on their 60<sup>th</sup>  
Wedding Anniversary.



### **Nelson Cathedral Christian Meditation Group**

#### **Silence, Stillness, Simplicity**

In our frantic world, is this something that you are seeking? Our small and friendly Christian Meditation group meets each **Tuesday in the Chapel**, to meditate together. **Meeting Time: 5pm-6pm**

Come and join us and learn more about this ancient spiritual practice.  
'Making time in our busy lives to open our hearts to the silent presence of God'.  
Contact **Mary Kroch 027 372 1173** or **Erin Beatson 027 680 6355**

**ALL WELCOME**

# WELCOME NEWCOMERS



We are delighted to have you join us for today's service. Please fill out the form, tear off, and place in the Newcomers Box at the main entrance. By filling out this form, you will go on our Parish Roll and emailing list.

I would like to know more about:

- Kids Church
- Choir
- KidSing
- AAW
- Prayer
- Outreach
- Meditation
- Events at the Cathedral
- I would like to have a visit from the clergy
- I would like to help with .....

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Name

Contact Number

Address

Email

