

Next Sunday's Propers

Sunday November 17th

Ordinary Sunday 33 / 2nd before Advent / Mission Sunday

Celebrant – Rev. Damon Plimmer; Preacher – Dot Muir

Sentence: For I am about to create a new heaven and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered to come to an end. *Isaiah 65: 17*

Collect: Almighty and ever-living God, before the world was formed and even after it ceases to be, you are God. Break into our short span of life, and let us see the signs of your final will and purpose; through your Son, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Readings: Malachi 4: 1-2a; Psalm 98;
2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13; Luke 21: 5-19

Liturgy: 476

Vestry and Local Committees

Vestry, Tarras Church, TODAY, 12 midday;

St Columba's Wanaka, Wednesday 13 November, 7.30pm;

St Andrew's Cromwell, Tuesday 19 November, 4.15pm.

Missions Fundraiser

Water For All is a project supported by Anglican Missions. This year's Mission Day at St Columba's, on Sunday 17 November will aim to raise \$3,000 for a water tank for an outlying community in Fiji. There will also be a stall. Contributions of baking, preserves, plants etc. as well as cash donations are most welcome. Contact Joy on 027 4601042.

Central Otago Archdeaconry

Bishop Steve will be at the next archdeaconry meeting, Tuesday 19 November, 10am – 2pm at St Andrew's Cromwell. All welcome.

Stir-Up Sunday

The last Sunday before Advent. Join us as we crack some eggs and stir-up the ingredients of our Christmas cake, Sunday 24 November, 9.30am.

Our journey towards Christmas begins on Sunday 1 December with the lighting of the first of the Advent candles.

Christmas Luncheon

Mark this date in your diary – Friday 13 December. Everyone welcome.

Brother, sister, let me serve you,

let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

Richard A. M. Gillard, 1977

Please pray for...

- Vestry and our Local Committees;
- The Community Hub;
- Peacemakers (Remembrance Day);
- Victims of human trafficking.

Church Open

We are looking for parishioners to help us keep our church open during the week, Monday to Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you can help, please contact Caroline – carolineolivernz@hotmail.com / 027 2792703.

*Activities for small children are available at the rear of the church.
After the service please join us for light refreshments.*