

Pew Sheet: Sun 24th May, Saint Mary's Anglican Church



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Vicar: Rev. David Smithson

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10am Pentecost Family Communion

Sermon: "The coming of the Spirit" Rt Rev. Helen-Ann Hartley

Refreshments: Brenda Kebbell

Prayer: David Smithson

We all have those times in our lives where everything seems to go wrong or break down! All within 2 weeks I recently had the car break down, the cat fell sick and had to go to the vet, a costly dentist visit, the oven blow up, and a major afterhours call out for a plumber! Goodness. It is easy to get discouraged. However, I looked at what was happening in Nepal, and some of these "problems" I was having were what we call "1st World Problems!" and paled in comparison to what others are going through. There are so many blessings around us and good things happening to be grateful for. One thing we are grateful for is the coming of the Holy Spirit in might and power onto the Church, which in effect gave birth to the Christian movement. This Sunday we have Bishop Helen-Ann with us to celebrate this occasion, of what we call Pentecost!

God bless, David

Nepal: Habitat for Humanity teams have been responding to immediate shelter needs in Nepal by clearing rubble, and distributing shelter kits. The kits have contain a tarpaulin and other materials that provide protection from the elements. Funding one shelter repair kit costs \$NZD260. Habitat aims to distribute 20,000 - and this is just part of how they will help quake-affected families in Nepal. See www.habitat.org.nz/donate.

Confirmations: If you are baptized, in Year 9 to adult, and are wanting to grow in your journey with Jesus, please see the vicar if you wish to be Confirmed on Sun 28 Jun 9:45am at the cathedral.

Readings for 24th May:

OT: Ezekiel 37:1-14

NT: Acts 2:1-21

Gospel: John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

Children's Church/Junior Youth: Activity packs with a chocolate treat! 😊
Youth: Friday's 7pm @ Oaks church – combined churches



+ Prayer Points +

- For Rosalie and Roger and family as they mourn the loss of Rosalie's brother.
- For our Mission Family; the Frasers working for Betel in the UK
- Keep the people of Nepal in your prayers after their 2nd earthquake, & for Gabriel & Biz there
- For wisdom for Europe's leaders as how to meet the refugee influx from Libya

