

Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 18 August



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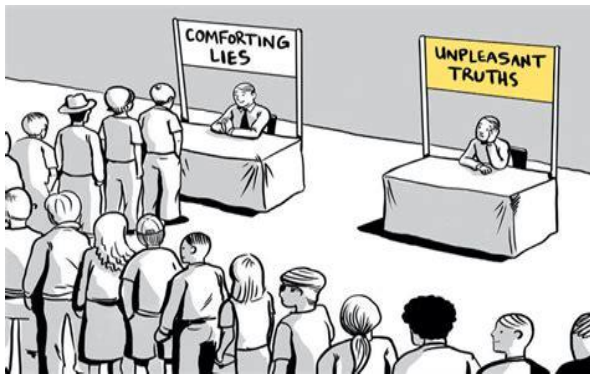
10am Holy Communion Service

Homily: "A Hard Teaching" Rev David Smithson

Morning Tea: Melanie

Today's gospel of John 6:56-69 shows the crowd of 5,000 people was reduced to just 12 because the majority were offended and left! Jesus spoke the truth, and it was too much for the crowd. This happens regularly today – many people in today's culture seem to thrive on being offended. The gospel message offends people, and because of what Jesus said, only a small amount of people stuck around not because they fully understood Jesus, but because they had faith, and God drew them to Himself

God bless, David



+ Prayer & Praise Points +

- For peace in Britain
- For safe travels for John & Majella, and for Charles & Helen



Readings & Intercessor for 18 August

OT: 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14 (p370)

NT: Ephesians 5:15-20 (p 1309)

Gospel: John 6:56-69

Reader: Charles

Intercessor: Mel

Foodbank: Keep those items coming 😊 Baby food, milk powder, sugar, flour, baked beans and spaghetti, tinned fruit, tinned fish, tinned stews, tinned tomatoes, tinned cream corn, pasta, rice, biscuits.



Prayer Group meets Weds nights at the church
7pm



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