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St Eanswythe's Altona St Clement's Altona Meadows O Te Wairua Tapu Ki Poipiripi

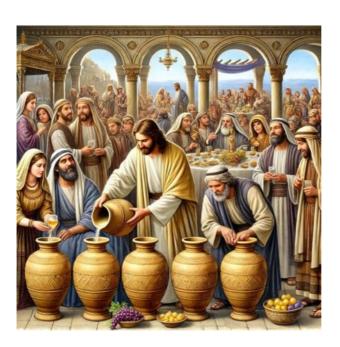


To proclaim God's love and life in Christ: growing in faith \oplus serving others \oplus nurturing a common life

19 January 2025 Second Sunday After Epiphany (Year C)

9:30am Combined Service, St Clement's

Wominjeka :: Haere mai Welcome



A warm welcome to our worship today, especially if you are with us for the first time or visiting.

Please join us for refreshments at the end of the service.

Our parish lies on the country of the Kulin nation.

We recognise and honour the Indigenous custodians of this land over countless generations, and we pay our respects to their elders, past and present. We commit ourselves to the path of reconciliation, justice and healing (including to Pay The Rent to local First Nations people).

Gathering in God's Name

Introit Hymn 272 Come, thou long-expected Jesus

THE COLLECT (prayer of the day)

Bountiful God, whose Son revealed his glory at Cana of Galilee: help us to believe and obey, so that, as our Saviour promised, we may be filled with the wine of new life and show forth his joy and love; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PARISH PRAYER

God of this ancient land, holy beyond time and place, you search us out and name us your beloved children. Work in us to fulfil your longing and compassion for every person. Send your Spirit to renew our life, and give us courage to rise and follow where Jesus calls. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: A reading from Isaiah (62.1-5)

¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. ² The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM (36.5-10)

⁵ Your unfailing kindness, O Lord, is in the heavens: and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

⁶ Your righteousness is like the strong mountains: and your justice as the great deep; you, O Lord, save both man and beast.

⁷ How precious, O God, is your enduring kindness: the children of Adam shall take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

⁸ They shall be satisfied with the good things of your house: and you will give them drink from the river of your delights.

⁹ For with you is the well of life: and in your light shall we see light.

O continue your merciful kindness toward these who know you: and your righteous dealing to those that are true of heart.

SECOND READING: A reading from 1 Corinthians (12.1-11)

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 413 Holy Spirit, come confirm us

THE GOSPEL

Alleluia. Alleluia.

God has called us with the gospel, to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John (2.1-11)

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' ⁴ And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' ⁵ His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in

Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

For the Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

Celebrating at the Lord's Table

Our sharing is a gift of grace, a communion with Jesus and with each other. There is a place here for each and every person.

OFFERTORY HYMN 422 Come, Holy Spirit, come

While communion is being shared, we sing:



Lord Jesus Christ, lover of all, trail wide the hem of your garment, Bring healing, bring peace.

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you. My heart knows how to say to you: Holy are you, Lord.

Going into the World

The Eucharist offers us a way to be renewed, transformed, and blessed: now we take that blessing to share with others, in our words and actions, our hearts and lives.

'The Eucharist never ends - it must be lived.'

RECESSIONAL HYMN 497 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! In the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

> ** Mothers Union are meeting on Thursday 13th February at 11.00 am. Annual subscriptions of \$45.00 are due at this meeting. Speaker will be our Vicar Kerry Davis. **

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