



SIGNPOST MARCH 2020

Gisborne Presbyterian Parish

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MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW MINISTER

Dear friends in Christ.

It is a great privilege for me to write this message in Signpost, especially in the season of Lent.



In the first place, I would like to say thank you to our former minister Rev Mary Petersen. Her hard work for the past two and a half years has made me humbled and felt very thankful. It has also helped me see the brighter future of our parish. Our mission is only possible through the ongoing work by people of faith in the past and the present. I also thank you for the warm welcome from all of you that is full of love, kindness and encouragement. It makes me feel at home here.

This week, we began our Lenten journey by reflecting on Jesus' physical and spiritual warfare in the wilderness. Physical hunger is dire, and it has to be attended as soon as possible.

But spiritual hunger is often neglected or ignored, or it is regarded unimportant. Jesus in the wilderness still challenges us what we should live by.

This continuing challenge and self-examination will transform us to become powerful words of God in the world. We know that this is what we are doing and what we will do continually. Shalom!

Rev Jin Sook Kim

MESSAGE FROM THE OUTGOING MINISTER

THANK YOU, the people of Gisborne Presbyterian Parish, for welcoming me, listening to me and sharing your lives with me. I have been blessed by my two and a half years with you.

I will miss you deeply. You are a very special parish, with many faithful people committed to God's mission and their part in it. Continue to work together well, in all the tasks you do, and value each other.

Thank you for all the wonderful words said to me and about me at the farewell lunch – all much appreciated. I had intended to slip away quietly but you made it clear that was not what you wanted. I am very grateful for all that was said and done. **Thank you for the lovely gifts** I received that will always remind me of you.

My prayer for you is that you will always be aware that God is with you, in the times of joy and the challenging times, and that you will seek God's inspiration and wisdom in all that you do.

God is with you always and everywhere.

God loves you.

Shalom.

Rev Mary Petersen

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS TO WHICH ALL ARE WELCOME

WALKING

GROUP - meets at the community hall 9 am every Monday



to enjoy a leisurely walk around town. Everyone, any age is invited to join the group and to enjoy a cuppa together afterwards in the lounge.

OPEN DOOR

is our Parish weekly get together on Tuesday mornings from 10am in St Andrew's Lounge for a cuppa, friendship and chat please come and join us!



PASTORAL CARE

If you need transport to the Church Service at St Andrews or if you would like someone to visit you, or your family or friends, or have another pastoral need, please phone the office: 868 5513



MAINLY MUSIC



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Wednesday mornings are a time of organised chaos in the church lounge when pre-school children and their parents & grandparents enjoy a musical time together. There is still room for a few more families if you know someone who would like to come.

MATAWHERO GARDENERS

Members of GPP and friends are weeding, prayer/discussion **2nd Monday** each month at Matawhero Church from 9.30am.



EVENTS



MATAWHERO CHURCH
gardening and
working bee
MONDAY 6 April
9 am



Gisborne Presbyterian Parish
assisted by
Marjorie Redstone Trust, J.N.
Williams Memorial Trust,
H.B. Williams Turanga Trust
proudly presents as part of the
St Andrew's Concert Series
Lynelle James
International Concert pianist
Daughter of Gisborne-born pianist
David James
Wednesday 1 April
12.30 pm
St Andrews Presbyterian Church
Admission free; optional Koha
Complimentary tea and coffee
at the door

COMMEMORATE THE TRAGIC INCIDENT AT CHRISTCHURCH

Gisborne Muslim society invites you, your family and friends to join us to commemorate the tragic incidence at Christchurch, which happened last year on March 15, 2019.

The purpose of this event is to stand together to remember those who lost their lives in the tragedy and make prayers for peace and harmony among the people of New Zealand.

The details of the program are:

- Date: Sunday, March 15, 2020
- Time: 5:00 pm
- Venue: Hall of Trinity Anglican Church, 70 Derby Street, Gisborne

Gisborne Muslim Society

Contact persons:

Muhammad Hanif 021 2524110

Mahmood Khan 022 639 8723

Please click here to register your interest for catering purposes:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HQVLGV>

Your presence will be very valuable and highly anticipated

GISBORNE FLORAL FESTIVAL EXPO 2020



Sat 21 March 10am – 4pm
Sun 22 March 10am – 3pm
**Venue: Farmers Air Event
Centre Showgrounds.**
Adults \$5.00

PRESBYTERY CENTRAL GATHERING

14 March 2020

**St Alban's Presbyterian Church,
339 Albert Street, Palmerston North**

Programme

9.45am Registration & Morning Tea

10.30am Welcome and Worship

11am - 11.45am Keynote Talk

11.45 - 1.00pm Workshops - Session 1

1.00 - 2.00pm Lunch

2.00 - 3.15pm News & Mission Stories

3.15 - 3.45pm Afternoon Tea

3.45 – 5.00pm Workshops - Session 2

5.30pm Roast Dinner at Copthorne Hotel

6.15pm After-Dinner Speaker: TBC

To register, contact the Presbytery Central

office for a form or register online at

tinyurl.com/GatheringMar2020

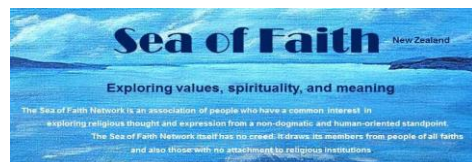
***GPP Contact for Presbytery Gathering:
Jenny Lawton 868 4268***

OVER 90's MORNING TEA

**Saturday March 21st in
St Andrew's lounge 10.15am.**

Can we have volunteers to bake shortbread for this special morning tea. Please give to

Jenny Lawton or bring to the office by Wednesday 18th March. Thank you.



**Meeting in lounge
Sunday 15th March at 3.00 pm
Guest Speaker Norman Maclean**

SOME OF LIFE'S LESSONS:

- Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
- When in doubt, just take the next small step.
- Cry with someone. It's more healing than crying alone.
- When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile!
- Everything can change in the blink of an eye. But don't worry; God never blinks.
- Be eccentric now. Don't wait for old age to wear purple.
- Believe in miracles.
- Growing old beats the alternative – dying young.
- God loves you because of who God is, not because of anything you did or didn't do.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MARCH

March 1 Lent 1 Gen 2: 15-17 3: 1-7 Ps 32
Rom 5: 12-19 Mt 4: 1-11

March 8 Lent 2 Gen 12: 1-4a Ps 121 Rom 4:
1-5, 13-17 Jn 3: 1-17 or Mt 17: 1-9

March 15 Lent 3 Ex 17: 1-7 Ps 95
Rom 5: 1-11 Jn 4: 5-42

March 22 Lent 4 1 Sam 16: 1-13 Ps 23
Eph 5: 8-14 Jn 9: 1-41

March 29 Lent 5 23 Ezek 37: 1-14 Ps 130
Rom 8: 6-11 Jn 11: 1-45

**He will endure as long as the
sun, as long as the moon,
through all generations.**

Psalm 72 verse 5

RECIPE FOR THE MONTH

Potato, cauliflower & pea curry



- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 1 tsp minced ginger
- ½ red chilli, deseeded and finely chopped (optional)
- 2 tsp ground curry powder
- 400g can tin Indian Style Tomatoes
- 400g potatoes, Agria, cut into 1cm cubes
- 3 cups (300g) cauliflower
- ½ cup frozen peas
- Unsweetened natural yoghurt
- Freshly chopped coriander to garnish

- Heat a dash of oil in a medium sized saucepan. Add onion and cook over a medium to low heat until softened. Add the garlic, ginger, red chilli and curry powder. Stir and cook a further minute.
- Pour over Indian Style Tomatoes and add the potatoes. Bring sauce to the boil. Reduce heat to a simmer and cook uncovered for 20 minutes.
- If the sauce reduces too much during this time cover saucepan with a lid. Add cauliflower and the baby peas. Continue cooking for a further 5-10 minutes until vegetables are tender and sauce is thick. Serve with a dollop of natural unsweetened yoghurt, garnished with freshly chopped coriander.

HOLY COMMUNION

Rev Jin Sook Kim would like to offer the elements of Communion after a Sunday Communion Service in your home, for those who are unable to attend church that day.

THE NEXT COMMUNION SERVICE
will be on Sunday March 8th April 12th &
Matawhero Church on 15th March



Please phone Jin Sook 021 02952589 or leave a message at the office 868 5513

CHILD'S POINT OF VIEW

The story of Adam and Eve was being carefully explained in the children's Sunday School class. Following the story, the children were asked to draw some picture that would illustrate the story.

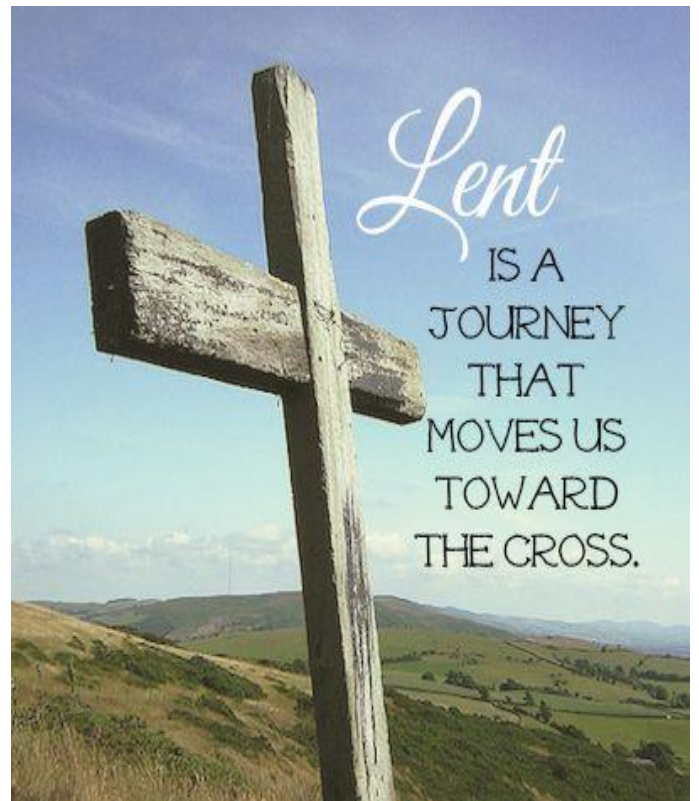
Little Bobby was most interested and drew a picture of a car with three people in it. In the front seat, behind the wheel was a man and in the back seat, a man and a woman.

The teacher was at a loss to understand how this illustrated the lesson of Adam and Eve. But little Bobby was prompt with his explanation. "Why, this is God driving Adam and Eve out of the garden!"

Author Unknown

"You may encounter many defeats, but you must not be defeated. In fact, it may be necessary to encounter the defeats, so you can know who you are, what you can rise from, how you can still come out of it"

Maya Angelou



INDUCTION SERVICE HELD 29 FEBRUARY

The Rev Paul Loveday, Moderator of Presbytery Central, conducted a formal service of Induction for our new Minister Rev Jin Sook Kim, on Saturday 29 February. We were fortunate to have many Presbytery members from Hawkes Bay present as there had been a planned road closure from 8am South of Wairoa, necessitating a very early start for all.

Prior to the service, the Ministry Settlement Board was disbanded after 6 years, by the Rev Peter McKenzie. The Rev Sally Carter and Rev Adrian Skelton have led the way with the MSB to this point of calling Rev Jin Sook Kim to be our Minister at Gisborne Presbyterian Parish. The Ministry Settlement Board have given much time and energy for our benefit, and we are truly grateful.

A highlight of the service was the presentation of the symbols of Ministry by Parish Council members to Rev Jin Sook Kim.

Following the service all were invited to fellowship and afternoon tea in the hall, giving Jin Sook the opportunity to meet with many local ministers and leaders present.

We wish Jin Sook all the very best in her ministry with us here at Gisborne Presbyterian Parish and look forward to getting to know and support her.

OUR NEW MINISTER

REV JIN SOOK KIM



Welcome Jin Sook!

