

Service Schedule for February 2017

The Preaching Plan

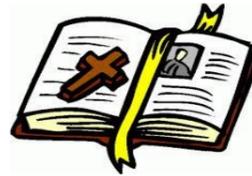
February 5th: Rev. Colin Gordon
(Communion)
February 12h: Multimedia sermon
February 19th: Rev. Colin Gordon
February 26h: Rev. W. Hambleton
March 5th: Rev. V. Simpson (Communion)

Pastoral Care Team

Lorna Nolan,
Nellika Duinkerke,
Willis & Robyn MacGillivray

Minister's Steward:

Ann Clegg



Wellsford Duty Schedule for February 2017

Duty Stewards

5.02	12.02	19.02	26.02	5th March
E & L Nolan	W & R MacGillivray	S & N Duinkerke	E & L Nolan	J.Daken/ Ann Clegg

Morning Tea

5.02	12.02	19.02	26.02	5th March
J.Daken/ Ann Clegg	E & L Nolan	W & R MacGillivray	S & N Duinkerke	J Daken / Ann Clegg

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The Monthly Message: February,

Happy New Year everyone and it is now February. The good, bad old days as I refer to them, thinking nostalgically, were the days NZ closed down for much of January and we all survived with going on holiday, a long summer holiday. Having parents who were farmers that wasn't totally true, cows still needed milking, hay making often was at crisis and demand on water was at a premium. But 'mum' would still take us camping and lots of visits to the beach and visits to and from 'relies', tennis, water slides, bush and river visits were the norm and 'dad' would catch up join in where he could. Summer for children was and I guess still is lots of fun. Visits, relaxation, being sociable giving and having awesome experiences is not only about having fond memories but wanting to have your own children and grandchildren to have some of the same experiences with some new experiences for young and old, leaving another generation enlivened and enriched with another summer holiday. Having attended a couple of family gatherings this year, reminiscing nostalgically with city cousins in-particular, they remembered fondly the country visits, the ones that our parents planned and made happen, the experiences that have lasted them and enriched us all with great times together. Yes we put our city slickers into the maize paddock saying if they followed the tracks they would come out the other side, hours later having gone around the paddock a few times we would rush in a save them. Or setting up the electric fence onto the front gate and watching from a hide out, or swimming in the effluent pond cause that's how we stayed healthy in the country. Beside these colourful memorable moments, there were care free days of riding horses, water slides, flying foxes and hide and seek and spot-light at night.

Just as then and even more important now is to make these things happen. They don't and won't happen if someone doesn't initiate, set the wheels in motion, make it happen! Make a plan organize some rendezvous' prepare some food, hitch the horses, pump the tires' on the bikes etc and so on. Much of life is like that especially when we want a new and different experience, something fresh and vibrant to happen. I wonder what you have planned for 2017, family, holidays,

community your businesses ? I wonder what we at the Co-operating Parish can do that not only is different but makes a difference, on Sunday morning, community gatherings. There is an election this year, the poverty gap is still widening, new people (Auckland immigrants) are still arriving. What initiative/s can we come up with?

God is the God of 'Original Blessings' and God looked upon it all and said it was good, very good. Peace CRG

Rev. Colin R Gordon

What's Up in February?

Personal:

Our heartfelt condolences go out to Rosalie Gwilliam, whose husband Don died last month.

Please remember to contact the Pastoral Care Team or a member of the Parish Council if you, or others you hear of, are in need of our care.



Women's Fellowship:

The Women's Fellowship meet **Tuesday 7th February at 10.00am** followed by a combined meeting at **10.30am**. All Welcome.



Service at the Heritage Rest Home:

This will be held on **Tuesday 7th February at 1pm**.

Parish Council:

The Parish Council will meet at the church centre on **Tuesday 14th February at 5pm**.



Shared Lunch:

This will be held after the service on **Sunday 5th February** at the home of Mark Lorenzen **27 Astrid Lane, Wellsford**. The shared lunch in March will be at W&R MacGillivray's home.

