

**Young People's Gathering – Youth Group** – our next gathering will be 3pm – 5pm on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June at St. Peter's Church – for an exciting and engaging programme and a little bit of forward planning – contact Andrew 0274 508 389

**Fund Raiser** – A movie afternoon is planned on a Sunday in September – date tbc. The movie is "Downton Abbey" so if you were wanting to see it come and see it with us. We'd like everyone to sell at least 2 tickets at \$20.00 pp. There will be a raffle & lucky number draw. Please support this!!! **Fund Raising Committee**

This month there begins an **Update of the Parish Database** where parishioners are asked to please confirm their contact details by email or phone or in person at church services. For more information see the Parish News for June-August 2019.

## THIS WEEK 9-16 June

### Sunday 16 June

9:30am Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bombay

Readings: Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31; Romans 5: 1-5; **John 16: 12-15**

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~ You are welcome to take the Tidings with you ~

# Tidings

for the Bombay-Pokeno Anglican Church  
worshipping at Bombay, Pokeno, Mercer and Kaiaua

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9 June 2019

*Pentecost Sunday*

### Welcome & Gathering

A very warm welcome to you, and especially to any visitors, as we gather to praise and worship God this morning.

### Theme

#### **The Spirit of Truth**

Today's service can be found in the Family Service booklet

### Sentence of the Day

God's love has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. *Romans 5: 5*

### Prayer of the Day

#### **Eternal God,**

**as of fire, forging, purging, all-consuming:**

**let your Spirit touch us;**

**purge us from the dross of sin and self;**

**that we may tell your glory**

**in the furnace of the world;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord;**

**who lives and reigns with you,**

**in the unity of the Holy Spirit,**

**one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrating Common Prayer: A Version for Aotearoa, New Zealand, & Polynesia*

Readings: Acts 2: 1-21; Romans 8: 14-17; **John 14: 8-17, (25-27)**

## Reflection

Today is Pentecost Sunday, that time in the Church Year when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. For some, it is regarded as the Church's Birthday and accordingly you will find St Mary's festooned with balloons and streamers and the liturgical colour red for Pentecost.

The Holy Spirit, then, is the focus for today, for it is that Holy, Healing, Enabling Spirit of Truth that sets the Christian faith apart from every other world religion. Even though the Jewish and Muslim faiths worship, as we do, the God of Abraham, it is only Christianity that centres on the Holy Spirit of God.

It is certainly something for us to celebrate. As we reflect on the theme of the day –the Spirit of Truth, we identify God working within each of us, within our own faith community, and in our mission outreach. That feeling of God working within us can be very powerful. It doesn't just happen though, does it? We need to take time out of our very busy lives, to pause, to think, and to reflect. We need to put aside the clutter of our minds and let God do the talking. Can we do that? It can be a challenge with so much going on around us. Indeed, it is not a matter of can we! It is a case of we must! "For all who are led by the Spirit of God, are children of God". Romans chapter 8.

Every blessing,

**Bruce**

Prayers            Bidding:        Spirit of the living God:  
                          **Response:    fall afresh on us.**

**The congregation are invited to sit after the offertory hymn for the Great Thanksgiving Prayer.**

*During the week please remember in your prayers* – In our intercessions we pray for our three Tikanga Church and our Bishops, Bishop Ross and Assistant Bishop Jim, and Bishops Kito and Winston. We pray for all ministry units and chaplaincies in our Diocese. We pray for our country and for those who hold leadership roles and positions of responsibility. In particular we pray for those who are unwell or in need and for those who provide support to them. We pray too, for the faithful departed and for those who grieve.

**Goodwill Offerings** – Your contribution for the work of our church will be collected during the Offertory Hymn. Our regular parishioners contribute by envelope or by automatic payment. One off or regular payments can be made online. Our bank account is **Bombay Pokeno Parish 02-0404-0013078-00**. Include your initials and name to be eligible for tax deductions. It costs our parish about \$1600 per week to run.

**The Manurewa Anglican Parish Foodbank Programme** continues to welcome your contributions of food to support families in need.

## NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

**Pokeno Community Meet and Greet** gathers again this Thursday June 13<sup>th</sup> 10am – 12 noon at the Pokeno Community Hall. All are welcome to this popular and enjoyable gathering.

**Gold Card Wanderers to Pine Harbour - Monday 17 June** – Meet at Papakura station at 9.45am for 9.58am train. Morning coffee at Shaky Isles café. Catch ferry to Pine Harbour from Pier 3 at 12.10. Lunch at Pepperjacks at Pine Harbour. Return on the 2.40pm ferry. (The ferry journeys are about 30 minutes).