#### Dates to Remember

Thursdays Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Apr Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Apr 7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office 5.30pm MUP Pot Luck dinner with the Roches 10am Hymn-A-Long at Frank & Lorraine Darcy's



Church Office Hours: 9am - 12noon, Mon - Fri (excluding public holidays).

**'Prayer Chain'** – Any matters requiring confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Val Judd or Elaine Oates.

Monday Bible Study – Meets at 2pm in the Church House. For more info contact Elaine Oates.

<u>Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study</u> – Meets at 1.30pm in the Church House. For more info contact Maureen Wilson.

<u>'Men's Fellowship Breakfast Group'</u> – Meets at 7am on Tuesdays. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

<u>'Abiding Life Course'</u> – Meets at 3pm on Wednesdays in the Church House. Contact Stewart Patrick for more info.

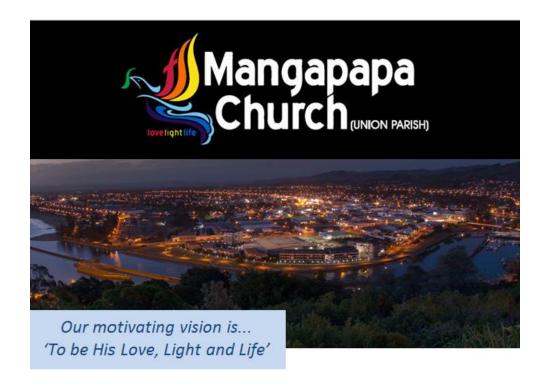
**'Womens Lunch Study Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

<u>Women's 'Growth Group'</u> – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Next meeting Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

"What we may see as a 'dead end', God sees as a new beginning."
- Joyce Meyer

Giving/Tithing - If you wish to tithe or make a donation to Mangapapa Church, our account number is: Mangapapa Church, 03-0638-0381084-00. Please make sure you say 'tithe' or 'donation' in the reference. If you would prefer to give using our 'Envelope' system, then see Jenny Phin who will set you up with envelopes allocated to you.

	Today	Next Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April
Greeters	A Clement, M Raitaukala	L McAra, Volunteer
Ministry Team	S Clement	M Freeman
Cups of Tea	N Coffey, M Smith	N Aston, I McCoy
AV & Sound	R Nelson / N Dunn	P Madsen / D Russell
Counters	A Radcliffe	A Radcliffe



Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024

10am: 'Peace Be With You'

John 20:19

Leading: Dione Russell Preaching: Stewart Patrick

**Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick** 

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Kids go out with Marilyn Patrick and John Hill this morning.

If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home and don't share them.

On this 1st Sunday, after a very special Easter here at MUP, the Lectionary Readings today in John ch.20, have Jesus appearing to the gathered, fearful disciples late on the evening of His resurrection. What a moment that was! There is so much in that passage, but today let us look at these first four words Jesus said to them, and repeated twice. "Peace be with you". His peace was not given just to those



disciples in their time of confusion and fear, but to us today too. His peace that first restores our confidence, then His peace that prepares and sends us out. Oh, to live in His peace in this world today.



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**Stewart writes...** What a delightful photo of Hector Rolfe (left), at the Easter Sunday Service last week. It's a prophetic image of our prayers that young and old will look again for Jesus and find Him resurrected and alive. He is their deepest desire.

Shane & Ali Roche and family have had an amazing 2.5 days up at Loisels Beach, staying at Anna's amazing home there, and Shane captured this beautiful sunrise photo of them all with a drone on Thursday morning. On Friday they travelled to Rotorua with Ali's brother and family and will enjoy 3 nights there, back on Monday.

week here will see them meeting with MUP Elders/Leaders and several church folk, the Wednesday evening 'Testimony Pot Luck Dinner' and more. Thank you Shane for sharing a great message with us on Easter Sunday. The feedback MUP Leaders have received is absolutely 100% positive.





### Church Roof Renewal: Stage 2 -

Rapcon Roofing have been under-taking this project this week, which when completed will see the whole Church complex re-roofed along with the Clearlite passageway roof reconstructed to the Youth annex. The existing 3 plastic 'Light Domes'

and 'louvre window dome' in the kitchen have been leak trouble spots for many vears and have become brittle too. We are doing away with 3 of these and 1 renewed through an insurance claim. A&F will be looking at installing an extractor in the kitchen, which has always been needed.

## 'Testimonies Kiwi Pot Luck Dinner with Shane & Ali Roche'

5:30pm Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April at Mangapapa Church. In their final week with us, we are putting on a simple a kiwi 'Pot-Luck Dinner' at MUP Church, 5:30pm Wed 10<sup>th</sup> April, where Shane & Ali will share their testimonies with our Church folk, and anyone else you would like to invite along. There will be some other Gisborne Church Leaders who would like to hear them too. Their testimonies are so encouraging you won't want to miss



this. Just bring along something to contribute to our 'Kiwi Pot-Luck Dinner'.

You can hear Shane's Easter Sunday message on our Facebook page by clicking on this link: Shane Roche's Easter Sunday Message You do not need to have a Facebook account. If the window to 'login' pops up – just 'X' out.

#### Free - Easter Crosses & Painted Stones for You In the foyer today there are some reminders of this Easter, with painted stones and embroiled Flax Crosses. Please feel free to take one of these home with you today. - Marilyn.



# For Prayer this Week:

- 1) Pray for those who have been unwell this week.
- 2) Pray for John & Angela Paton, helping friends in Argentina.
- 3) We pray for Shane & Ali Roche and family Their last week with us before heading back to the U.K.



**2024 Church Directory** – If you're not in the Directory, and you attend MUP regularly, we would encourage you to put your contact details in there. The Church Directory is solely for the private use of the people listed in it, and there is a draft copy in the fover. It is also good to put a photo in, so that people can 'put a name to the face'. Either email one to the office or catch Dione or Marilyn after church and they will take one for you.



The next Hymn Sing-A-Long - Will be held at 10am on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April, at Frank & Lorraine Darcy's place. Come and join in a cuppa and singing some of your favourite hymns. All welcome.