

Welcome to Mangapapa Church.

Whether you're a regular with us or visiting, we're so glad you're here. Please make yourself at home while you're with us - after all, we're one big family, and our home is your home.

Over the summer period, we won't be running our usual children's and youth groups, though colouring sheets will be available for our younger ones. While summer offers us an opportunity to slow down and catch our breath, my prayer is that we would experience and know the presence and peace of the Lord, and that even in our rest, Jesus would continue to move in our lives.

Shane Roche, Church Leader

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." - Matthew 11:28 (NIV)

Last week we were rejoicing at the birth of Christ around the Nativity scenes and the remarkable events that led people to the Christ child. Now today our Scripture reading takes us to the tragic events that happened after the Wise Men returned home. Jesus' family becomes refugees and many children are killed. Through everything that happens to us we remember that **God is for us, with us and in us.** - Stewart



	Today	Sunday 4 th January
Service Leader	Shane Roche	Andrew Russell
Preacher	Stewart Patrick	Shane Roche
Duty Elder	Stewart Patrick	Andrew Russell
Greeters	J & L Hawksworth	M Raitaukala, J Phin
Explorers Crèche	School Hols / Parents	School Hols / Parents
Kidzspace & Matrix	School Holidays	School Holidays
Ministry Team	A Russell	D Russell
Cups of Tea	D McLean, N Aston	A Dehne-Walker, J McLatchie
AV & Sound	D Russell, E Oates / A Russell	R Nelson / S Patrick
Counters	N Coffey	B Wheeler

	Sunday 11 th January	Sunday 18 th January
Service Leader	Rachal McIntyre	Shane Roche
Preacher	Diane McLean	
Duty Elder	Al Clement	
Greeters	A Clement, M Wilson	Beach Baptism Service and Picnic lunch at north-end of Makarori Beach.
Explorers Crèche	School Hols / Parents	
Kidzspace & Matrix	School Holidays	
Ministry Team	A Clement	
Cups of Tea	N Coffey, I McCoy, P Oram	
AV & Sound	D Russell / N Dunn	
Counters	G Stevenson	H van Wijk



Sunday 28th December 2025

10am: 'God For Us, God With Us, God In Us'

Leading: Shane Roche

Preaching: Stewart Patrick

Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick

Church Leader: Shane Roche

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Children – Art pages and Holiday programme available during message time.



Church Office Hours: The office will be closed over Christmas from 25th December until 19th January 2025.