

Dates to Remember ...	
28 th Aug	Funeral for Donald Burgess
1 st Sep	Father's Day Shared Lunch
2 nd Sept	Final date for AGM Reports
4 th Sept	Women's Night Out
6 th Sept	Youth Group Progressive Dinner
18 th Sep	Annual General Meeting
Sep/Oct	Pakihi Trail Bike ride



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

'Prayer Chain' – Urgent matters for confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Joy McHardy or Val Judd.

Tuesday 'Prayer For the Nation'-11am–12noon in Church prayer room. For more info contact Janet Burgess.

Tuesday Bible Study – Currently meeting at 1.30pm in the Church House Lounge for a study of Revelation with Frank Darcy. For more info contact Maureen Wilson or Judy McLatchie.

Wednesday 'Mens Breakfast'- Meets at 6:45am - 7:50am in the Church house lounge. For more info contact Paul Cosson.

Friday 'Revival Prayer'– every Friday evening 6:30pm-7:30pm at Joy McHardy's home.

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.



Friday 23rd August – "Youth Alpha Course"

7pm at the Church. Bring \$3.

See the YG Facebook page or contact Tirzah for more details.



	Today	Next Sunday 1 st September
Greeters	H Hockey, L Frampton	M Raitaukala, M Wilson
Explorers Crèche	R Theobald	N Hawkins
Matrix	R Levy	L Hindle
Ministry Team	E Oates	J McHardy
Cups of Tea	P & D Viljoen, P Oram	J Dyas, B Corlett, M Smith
Flowers	A Lewis	E Oates
AV & Sound	D Russell / <i>Volunteer</i>	R Nelson / J & A Russell
Counters	A McLean	N Coffey



Sunday 25th August 2019

10am: "The Race"

From the Book of Hebrews

**Leading: Rachal McIntyre Preaching: Frank Darcy
Duty Elder: Rodney Judd**

6.30pm Evening Fellowship tonight

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Elders Team

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*'Explorers' creche is operating and available for 1-4 years.
'Kidzspace' Primary age children go out at message time.
'Matrix' Intermediates are to go out during message time.*

Paula writes....

Thanks to those who joined to pray for our city overnight on Friday. There seems to be both a feeling of growing concern for our city and a growing swell of prayer and action to make a difference for good, as the churches in the city pray and work together.

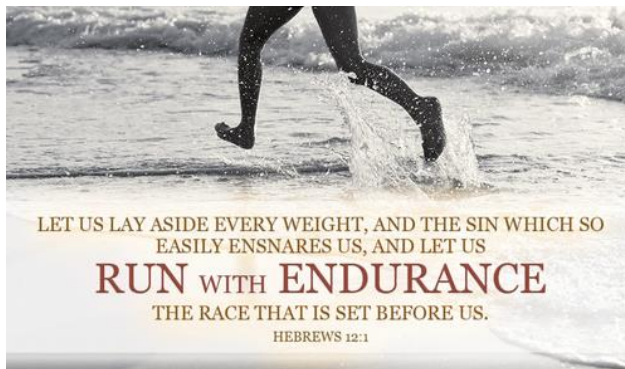
In our nation too, there are several significant issues before parliament at present. In particular, the Euthanasia Bill has been back in discussion this week, and the changes to Abortion legislation are underway. It has been rightly said by many, it does not make good sense that a lot of energy is spent on how we can end fellow human beings lives before birth and then again when we are old, yet almost in the same breath, we want to do all we can to prevent suicide in the middle. Knowing that all human beings are made in Gods image with value and purpose, effects all we are and do, and how we treat others.

The Abortion Legislation is currently before a select committee and you can make submissions until the 19th of September. If you are able to do this, we have some hand-outs available to guide you in the process or you can go to this website. <https://www.chooselife.org.nz/lovethemboth/>

After our Leaders retreat two weeks ago, we are aware of the importance of continuing to connect well with each other. As part of this, next Sunday we will be having a shared lunch together after church. Please stay if you are able and bring a plate of food to share. Pray for a sunny day to where we can enjoy the deck outside. We will also be setting up opportunities soon, for those who would like to meet in groups of two three, over an activity you enjoy, to again build relationships and encourage each other as Jesus followers.

Let's continue to be people of hope, who encourage each other, pray, tell and live out the Good News we have in Jesus, every day.

Blessings, Paula



Funeral for Donald Burgess – 11am Wednesday 28th August

Our thoughts and prayers are with Janet Burgess and family this week, after the passing of Donald on Wednesday. His funeral will be here at Mangapapa Church this Wednesday, 28th August at 11am, with an afternoon tea to follow. The family are providing the food, but we will need some volunteers to help in the kitchen. Please let the office know if you can help.

Frank Darcy shares with us this morning from the Book of Hebrews:

The book of Hebrews was written to explain how God's plan moved from the Old Testament to the New Testament and how Christ had fulfilled the OT prophecies. This was because some of the Jewish Christians were beginning to lapse back into Judaism. In the book there are five strong warnings given about the dangers of abandoning the true faith:

- 2:1-4
- 3:7 - 4:13
- 6:1-20
- 10:19-39
- 12:1-29

The letter emphasises that things are better now since the coming of Christ:

- Jesus is greater than angels (1:5-2:18)
- Greater than Moses and Joshua (3:1-4:13)
- Jesus is the Great High Priest (4:14-7:28)
- In Christ, we have a better covenant (8:1-9:22)
- Jesus' sacrifice is once and for all (9:23-10:31)
- Faith is the better way (10:19-12:29)

In Ch. 12, we are urged to "run the race." What does that mean for us in our Christian walk today?

Tithing Envelopes – The next lot of tithing envelopes are now available for pick up from the table at the back. Thanks for looking after these Jenny!

Father's Day Shared Lunch – on Sunday, 1st September we will be having a shared lunch after the service to celebrate Father's Day. Please bring a plate and stay for lunch and fellowship.

Women's Night Out – 7.00pm Wednesday 4th September

Another Women's Night Out at Mangapapa Church. Rachel Norris will share with us about "Healthy Habits for Living Well". Come along and bring your friends. All women from Year 13 upwards welcome. If you can bring a plate for supper, please let Nicola know as soon as possible.

Youth Group Progressive Dinner – Friday 6th September

The Youth Group are wanting to do a Progressive Dinner on Friday 6th September and are needing hosts. If you are willing to host a course, or would like to find out more about what is involved, please contact Tirzah.

Ministry Reports for AGM – A reminder for all Ministry leaders to please

prepare their annual report for the AGM and send it through to the office by Monday 2nd September. The AGM will be on Wednesday 18th September.

Wanted - Male Support friends

It would be helpful to have some men to be support friends for CAP clients. This involves being able to come on visits during the set up phase and "walking" alongside people as they journey out of debt. For more information about the role please speak with Nicola (preferably during week day working hours).

