

Upcoming Events



4th Sunday in Advent

Annual Christmas Eve Service 24 Dec

Our Christmas Eve service will be held at 11.30pm on 24th December.

Whanau Fun

- [Christmas Lights in Sydney CBD](#) – to 25 Dec

TWT Groups

NGA KUPU TAPU

Nga Kupu Tapu i Roto i Te Reo Maori language classes every Sunday from 7:30am to 9:30am at Te Wairua Tapu. Contact Wara Heremaia on **0432 126 143**

TE WAIRUA TAPU FACEBOOK

'LIKE' US ON FACEBOOK: Keep up on all the latest by joining our 'Church of Te Wairua Tapu - Poihakena' page. Click on the link [Church of Te Wairua Tapu Facebook](#)

KAHUI WAHINE

"Every challenge is an opportunity... for a miracle. God can and will disentangle the myriad lines of dysfunctional energy that pervade a situation, as long as we place it in His Hands." from the book, The Gift of Change by Marianne Williams which we'll be reading soon. Contact Pat Karipa 0402 685193 for more info. [Kahui Wahine Facebook](#) link.

KAHUI WAHINE DIARY 2013

- 06 Jan** Serving Church and Supporting its Mission 1pm
- 17 Mar** Our History 1pm
- 04 May** Pamper Day 10.30am – 2.30pm
- 27 Jul** Christmas in July 12noon
- 22 Sep** Growing Women's Ministry
- 03 Nov** Changes and Achievements

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Kahui Wahine and the Sisters of the Pacific.

NZ VETERANS IN AUSTRALIA

Check out what's happening with our NZ Veteran's in Australia by clicking on the Facebook link [NZ Veterans in Australia](#)

CHURCH BUILDING

Maintenance in the Dining Room may cause some disruption, please be considerate.

Financial Donations

Advent is the beginning of the Church

Calendar, (as we approach Christmas) and during this time we are asking families to make a donation to the continued work of the church, our **Westpac Bank** account details are as follows:

The Sydney Maori Anglican Fellowship

Number 2 Account BSB: 032082 Account No

155562 If you wish to join our Planned Giving using Direct Debit, email: pat@tewairuatapu.com.au for further details.

Last Week's Stats

TWT Redfern Attendance 16th Dec 2012

Adults	26
Rangatahi	2
Tamariki	1
Communicants	20

9th Dec 2012 – 15th Dec 2012

TWT Redfern Offertory	\$173.30
TWT Hammondville Offertory	\$ 52.00
Donations	\$850.00
Auto Donations	\$145.00
Direct Debit	\$340.00
Total	<u>\$1560.30</u>

Sunday 23rd December

Theme: A God Near at Hand

ATIRIKONA: The Ven. Kaio M. Karipa
KAI KARAKIA: Norman Rogers
COLOUR: VIOLET

SENTENCE:

You heavens above rain down righteousness; let the clouds shower it down. Let the earth open wide, let salvation spring up. *Isaiah 45:8*

COLLECT:

God of all hope and joy, open our hearts in welcome, that your Son Jesus Christ at His coming may find in us a dwelling prepared for Himself; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

READINGS (Click on the links below):

1st Reading: [Micah 5:2-5a](#)
2nd Reading: [Hebrews 10:5-10](#)
The Holy Gospel Reading: [Luke 1:39-45](#)

Prayerful Paths

We pray for the sick:

Lianne Mason	Mark Kahui
Te Iwi Richards	Te Mamae Wiremu
Lou Cooper	Rere-Rangi Taylor Moon

We remember those who have died:

John Pewhairangi	21/12/2001
Joseph (Jody) Ward	18/12/2005
Ripeka-Mae Manuera	18/12/2006
Phyllis Harrison	23/12/2008

We pray for:

Our brothers and sisters in cyclone-ravaged Samoa and Fiji.

The families and community of Newton, Connecticut, USA on their tragic loss of innocent children.

From the Pews

MILLION DOLLAR MATE MOVIE PREMIERE was held on Saturday 15th December at the Church of Te Wairua Tapu



Thanks everyone for your support, organiser Gina Cole (below).



From the Pews

The Rt Rev Robert Forsyth, Bishop of South Sydney and Margaret shared karakia with us last Sunday



December Birthdays

- 23 Venus Court
- 24 Ngaire Tito, Kodah Blackman, Haani Te Kowhai-McInerney, Warren Marsh
- 25 Dionne Waea
- 26 Madoc Lewis
- 27 Teremoana Martin, Jasmine Curry, Harmony Metera, Cali-Jay Timihou-Falwasser
- 28 Jessica Kerewaro, Pani Moanaroa-Taylor, Wallace Potae
- 29 Jayden Wiremu, Jacqueline Kerr, Nathan Karipa
- 30 Jane Sturney
- 31 Taila Campbell, Kahlani –Rose Papuni - Murray

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