



# NAU MAI, HAERE MAI WELCOME TO ST AIDAN'S, REMUERA

Built in 1905, for over a century Christians have been gathering here to worship and work together to serve the local and wider community.

We are a parish committed to **worship**, **caring** and **mission** and are part of the Anglican Diocese of Auckland.

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# THE VISION OF ST AIDAN'S

In the fullness of our relationship with God, we seek to be a community of worship, caring and mission.

**Worship** Celebrating God's love;

Caring
Being God's love for one another;

**Mission**Taking God's love into the world.

St Aidan's strives to be an authentic, loving parish, which fosters care and respect for one another. We have a strong sense of belonging and are welcoming.

To make our vision a reality, we seek to be a community where we all find mutual support and reinvigoration which enables us to live with a heart and mind open to the world. We seek to help people recognise their spiritual gifts, which they use to serve and express the love of God in the parish and the wider world.



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# THE VALUES OF ST AIDAN'S

As a community of faith, we understand life for many is hectic and work can be all-absorbing - so we seek to offer nourishment as we gather in worship.

We encourage our parishioners to pray for each other and, through prayer, touch the world.

We value quality teaching that helps us know God and connects with our everyday living.

We seek to develop our parish mission, which we invite all parishioners to contribute according to their gifts and interests.

We affirm that the primary place for expressing our life as a Christian is in the home and wider community. We value the variety in our worship, which has an intergenerational focus.

We support mission agencies and communities beyond our parish, wider Anglican Church, and beyond e.g.

- Auckland City Mission
- Anglican Trust for Women & Children
- Christian Broadcasting Association
- Christians Against Poverty
- Habitat for Humanity
- NZ Church Missionary Society
- Prison Chaplaincy Services

We also have special appeals for local and international mission projects.



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# **REGULAR SERVICES**

HOME COMMUNION

who are unable to attend Communion on a Sunday.

Available on request for those

#### **WEEKLY SUNDAY 8AM**

Holy Communion, followed by morning tea.

#### **WEEKLY SUNDAY 9:30AM**

Holy Communion, with programmes for kids and youth, followed by morning tea

#### MONTHLY WEDNESDAY SERVICE

11:30am on the first Wednesday of each month, followed by soup and toast for those who would like to stay on for fellowship.

#### **WEEKLY THURSDAY PRAYER**

9am in the Gathering area. You can also join via Zoom. Check out our weekly newsletter for the details.

So in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others -Romans 12:5

# **SPECIAL SERVICES**

#### **BAPTISMS**

Baptism declares God's love for the child or adult and makes clear that God loves us first. Every situation is unique, so it's best to talk with us about your particular circumstances, however we offer baptism for infants, children and adults.

#### WEDDINGS

St Aidan's provides a beautiful setting for your big day. When you walk down the aisle, you will feel a sense of peace and serenity under our arched wooden beams and colourful stained glass. It is a truly special space.

#### **FUNERALS**

Sadly, funerals are an inevitable part of the cycle of life and death. St Aidan's is here to offer our help and pastoral assistance at such a time. Your chosen Funeral Director can make the necessary arrangements or you are welcome to make contact with us yourself.

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# **MINISTRIES**

We hope you can find a group or activity that suits you here in our parish.

Contact our Office if you would like to get involved with any of these ministries.







## **AFTERNOON FELLOWSHIP**

A women's afternoon fellowship group.
This group is an AAW associate member.

Meet: First Tuesday of the month, 1:30pm in the church.

## **ASTA**

Advocacy at St Aidan's - writing and lobbying for change. Bring your own device (wifi is available), or pen and paper.

Meet: Last Friday of the month, 10am in the Gathering Area.

## **COFFEE & K'S**

Join us for a walk, followed by coffee at a nearby café. All abilities are welcome!

Meet: Fourth Saturday of the month

9:30am church or 10am walk location.

### **EVENING FELLOWSHIP**

We have a varied programme, with guest speakers and fun topics.

**Meet:** Third Tuesday of the month 7:30pm in the Gathering Area.

## **MEN'S MINISTRY**

Join us for an early breakfast!

Meet: Last Thursday of the month, 7:30am in Remuera.

#### MUSIC

The 9:30am Sunday service is usually accompanied by our choir and organist.

Meet: Contact the Office to find out the latest choir practice time.

## **PINS & NEEDLES**

Ideas, patterns, plans and yarns are exchanged in an atmosphere of fellowship, refreshment and inspiration while warm clothes are knitted for those in need.

Meet: Second Monday of the month,

## **ROSTERS**

We have many groups that contribute to taking care of our parish. These include:

- Floral arrangements
- Gardening and Maintenance

10am-12pm in the Gathering Area.

- mainly music
- Morning Tea
- Reading
- Sacristan and Server

## **SMALL GROUPS**

St Aidan's has several small groups running. We explore our faith together through discussion and prayer.

## **YOUNG PEOPLE**

MAINLY MUSIC (preschool)
An outreach to preschool children and their caregivers through music and movement. Followed by morning tea.

Meet: Weekly on Wednesdays 9:30am, in the hall, during term time.

KIDS' CHURCH (ages 3-11)
You can expect to hear Bible stories,
participate in object lessons, play some
games, and get your craft on!
Meet: Weekly at the 9:30am Sunday
service, during term time.

YOUTH (aged 11-18)
Meeting downstairs in the youth room.
All new youth are welcome!
Meet: Weekly at the 9:30am Sunday
service, during term time.

YOUNG ADULTS (aged ~18-35)
Bible studies, fellowship and kai + the occasional off-site social event.

Meet: Every second Sunday, 4pm - 6pm downstairs in the youth room.

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up
-James 4:10

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# **OUTREACH**

We also have an Annual Quiz Night, where we raise money for a selected charity.

We are strongly committed to being involved in and serving the community around us.

We are always in need of more volunteers for our outreach and mission work please get in contact with our Office if you are keen to get involved.

## **MISSION SHOP**

Quality pre-loved clothing, accessories and knick-knacks at reasonable prices.

Money raised through our shop is given to charity and community projects.

**Open 10am - 2pm, Thursday - Saturday.** 

# PĀTAKA KAI

Our sharing cupboard is located outside the Ascot Avenue entrance to the church. The idea is to take what you need, and share what you can.

#### **PINS & NEEDLES**

Completed clothes are distributed to the Premature baby unit at National Women's hospital, Counties Manukau Community Midwives and Anglican Trust for Women and Children.

#### **VISITING**

#### **Retirement Villages**

St Aidan's staff and parishioners regularly visit and offer communion services in several local rest homes.

#### Hospital

Volunteers help patients at Auckland Hospital to and from hospital church services from their hospital wards every second month on Sundays.

# **VOLUNTEERING**

We have teams volunteering across the year through various organisations, including:

- Auckland City Mission
- Community Tree Planting (Ōrākei Local Board)
- Hospital Chaplaincy(Auckland City Hospital)
- Prison Ministry(Wiri Women's Prison)

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**REVEREND SARAH** STEVENS-CROSS: VICAR



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# VENUE HIRE



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#### **SOCIAL LOUNGE**

\$40.00 / hr 1 hour

Suits up to 50 people

minimum

Our Social Lounge is a popular venue for hire which is great for smaller meetings, parties and social or community gatherings. It has lots of natural light and a small concrete deck area, great for warm sunny days. The kitchenette is en-suite to the room and has a stove, oven, fridge and a limited amount of cutlery and crockery which you are welcome to use. We recommend you bring everything you need if you are catering your event.

#### HALL

\$40.00 / hr

1 hour minimum

Suits up to 200 people

Our main hall is a beautiful, multi-functional space with a glorious high vaulted ceiling, wood panelling and lots of light. It has a sprung wooden floor and a large raised stage, lighting and sound system. The hall is a great space for many different types of functions and events. We recommend using it for performances, dance or exercise classes, quiz nights, larger celebrations, prizegivings, exhibitions or markets, community gatherings, kids activities and kids parties.



# FIND US ONLINE



www.staidans.co.nz

**SOCIAL MEDIA** 

Search @staidansremuera Instagram, Facebook and YouTube

Seach @staidansmission Instagram and Facebook

Search @staidans\_youth\_ya Instagram

We love sharing videos and photos from our community.

Send content to <a href="mailto:isobell@staidans.co.nz">isobell@staidans.co.nz</a>

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For over a century, the people of St Aidan's have served the local and wider Auckland communities, as well as reaching out around the world with the good news of God in Jesus Christ. This mission and ministry has been achieved by the generosity of so many people. Such generosity is faith in action, and has been marked by the sharing of vision, talents, time, prayers, service and in the giving of financial resources.

Now well into its second century, St Aidan's community remains committed to living the love and justice of God in the world. This is the mission of the Gospel. Fulfilling that commitment continues to require our generosity. If you have come along to St Aidan's a few times and this feels like the place for you, then along with filling out the forms to officially join the parish and getting a name tag etc., you might be wondering about the ways that you can offer your support financially. As you participate in the community of St Aidan's, Vestry invites you to consider how you can be part of this generosity and, in particular, how you may be able to contribute financially to the work of this community.

# **GIVING**

Individuals can claim a third of the donation back as a tax rebate, up to a maximum claim equal to their annual taxable income.

There are several ways you can financially support St Aidan's:

Automatic Payment: When an automatic transfer of money is made from your bank account to ours every week/month/quarter. You should be able to set this up via your internet or phone banking as a recurring transaction. If you do not have internet or phone banking and prefer to deal with your bank personally we can give you a form containing our details for you to complete and send to your bank. Please contact the office for this form. \*If you give by automatic payment or internet banking, we are only able to keep a record if you have included a parish-issued reference number in your transaction details. Please contact the office to be given this reference number, which allows your giving to be as close to anonymous as possible.

**Internet Banking:** An electronic transfer is made through online banking. We can issue you with a reference number to quote in your transaction which allows us to issue you with a receipt.

**Envelope Giving:** If your giving varies each week, this would be the best option for you. Upon request, you are allocated a 'giving number' and a set of envelopes. You can then give anonymously by placing your envelope in the collection. If you give by envelope we will automatically keep a record of your giving so that at the end of the financial year we are able to send you a letter confirming the amount given. This can then be forwarded to your accountant or used in your personal tax return.

Cash Donations: Putting cash in the offering during one of our services.

**Future Giving:** Generations of St Aidan's parishioners have given so much to their church in so many ways. Without their faith and generosity of spirit, St Aidan's would not exist today. The St Aidan's Endowment Trust was established to help preserve their vision for the future.

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday 9am - 3pm

#### **ADDRESS**

5 Ascot Avenue, Remuera, 1050

#### PHONE

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#### **EMAIL**

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If you would like to join our church, please fill out a Newcomers Form and a name badge will be created for you.

Please indicate if there are any groups you would like to be connected with.

