

## Weekly Newsletter – 27 June 2021

### Pastoral Care Committee:

All those who are on the pastoral team, or are interested in being a member, are invited to attend a meeting in the Church Lounge at 2pm on Thursday 1 July. If you would like to be involved, but can't make it on that date, please let Shelley know.

### Rosetown Choristers

Don't forget to go to the Anglican Church this afternoon at 2 pm for a lovely afternoon of songs – lots of well-known songs, some funny, some sad, some pretty, some catchy, some grateful – all tuneful and interesting. There will also be entertainment from piano and flute \$15 at the door. We do hope you can come.

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### A Big Thank you

What a wonderful time we had last night!  
Thank you so much to the team who arranged our Midwinter Thanksgiving Night – the delicious meal, the super entertainment and the generous spirit of everyone who came. Many people were involved in preparing this evening, giving of their many talents, and we greatly appreciate their contribution.  
Thank you all.



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**Lectionary Readings for this Sunday:**

**2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27** After the death of Saul and his son Jonathan in 1010 BC, at the hands of the Philistine forces, David offers a heart-felt lament.

**Psalms 130**

**2 Corinthians 8: 7-15** This reading from a segment of one of Paul's letters to the Corinthian Christians encourages generosity and a fair distribution of aid to one another.

**Mark 5: 21-43** Back in his home province Jesus heals a woman and raises Jairus's daughter.

**Services coming up:**

- June 27** Rev Shelley – World Refugee Sunday
- July 4** Rev Shelley Communion, Matariki
- 7pm 4 Reflective Service
- 11 Peter Robertson and Choir
- 18 Rev Shelley
- 25 Rev Shelley

**Rest Home Services coming up:**

- June 29** (Tuesday) 2pm Highfield CHT
- July 25** (Sunday) Tamahere Eventide (Lynn)
- 30 (Friday) Beattie Home, Otorohanga



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We pray for others  
For refugees who often have horrendous tales to tell  
For those who help newcomers to our country adjust to their new circumstances  
For the frail and elderly and those in hospital.

A Poem - Read it 'both ways':

**REFUGEES** by Brian Bilston.

They have no need of our help  
So do not tell me  
These haggard faces could belong to you or me  
Should life have dealt a different hand  
We need to see them for who they really are  
Chancers and scroungers  
Layabouts and loungers  
With bombs up their sleeves  
Cut-throats and thieves  
They are not Welcome here  
We should make them  
Go back to where they came from  
They cannot  
Share our food  
Share our homes  
Share our countries  
Instead let us  
Build a wall to keep them out  
It is not okay to say  
These are people just like us  
A place should only belong to those who are born there  
Do not be so stupid to think that  
The world can be looked at another way

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