

Rosters	17th December	24th December	31st December	7th January 2024
Door	Jenny L, Michelle & Robert	Jenny L, Michelle & Robert	Jenny L, Michelle & Robert	Jenny N & Cathy
Intercession	Myron	Michelle	Maria	Michelle
Computer	Suzanne	Lorraine	Lorraine	Jemma
Sound	Maria	Jemma	Jemma	Suzanne
Tea	Michelle	Steve	Jenny	Jenny
Birthday Prayers	Lorraine	Cathy	Sue	Sue
Church Lunch	Ended for 2023			
'Waiting on God'	Cathy	Sue	Cathy	Sue
Communion				Janice

Please ensure your cell phones are on vibrate or turned off during the service.



## Contact Details

Please note that the office is closed every Tuesday between 9.30 am to 10.30 am for our team meeting.

**Minister:** John Wilkie Ph: 027 555 6111 (Day off Wed, Thurs, Friday)

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**Youth Pastor:** Grant Watkins (Friday only)

**Session Clerk:** Peter Hokopaura Ph: 278 6980

**Church Administrator:** Suzanne Hokopaura

**Treasure Seekers:** Vacant

**Prayer Chain:** Phone the Church Office

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Our Vision is ~  
To honour God,  
nurture, disciple and send out

# Weekly News

and  
suddenly  
there was with  
the angel  
a multitude of  
the heavenly host  
praising God  
and saying  
*Glory to God*  
in the highest, and on earth,  
peace, goodwill towards  
men  
Luke 2  
13-14

## 17th December 2023

We will train and equip those who will honour God, making disciples to be salt and light in our community and afar

## Welcome everyone

If you are new to St John's or visiting with us, we welcome you to our service.

## Today's service

Today's service is brought to us by John O.

### Weekly Prayer

- Please continue to pray for John and Lorraine as they finish their leadership time here at St John's..
- Continue to pray for Matt Millar and family.
- Continue to pray for the Ministry Settlement Board and for our next Minister.



### Upcoming Guest Speakers

24th December - Wayne Ogden

25th December - John Wilkie

31st December - Sue Staveley



We would encourage you to keep CHRIST in CHRISTmas and have a nativity scene in your window at home or in your business.



## Rosters

A hard copy is available from the foyer table. If you have not received them by email and wish to, please contact the office.

## Sponsorship

Just a reminder to support the local business who sponsored our wheelchair.



**Office closed Monday 18th December** - sorry for any inconvenience.



## Office closed

Suzanne will be on leave from 23rd December and returning to work Monday 8th January 2024.

Wayne is on leave from 27th December and returns to work on Tuesday 6th February 2024.



## Father John and His Young Parishioner

It was the Sunday after Christmas at St Peter and Saint Paul's Church in Borden, Kent, England. Father John was looking at the nativity scene prior to packing away the figures when he noticed the baby Jesus was missing from the scene. Immediately, Father John turned towards the vicarage in order to call the police. But as he was about to do so, he saw little Harry with a red wagon, and in the wagon was the figure of the little infant, Jesus. Father John walked up to Harry and said,

'Well, Harry, where did you get the little infant?' Harry replied honestly, 'I took him from the church, Father John.' 'And why did you take him?' With a sheepish smile, Harry said, 'Well, about a week before Christmas I prayed to little Lord Jesus. I told him if he would bring me a red wagon for Christmas, I would give him a ride around the block in it.'

