



St Paul's
Presbyterian Church

“Where Faith in Jesus Christ Flourishes”



Sunday 9 August 2026
Rhys Pearson

“Offer to God nothing less than BHAGS”
Matthew 15:21-28, Luke 4:1-21

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WHAT'S ON

Amended Ministry Profile

The MSB would like to offer an amended Ministry Profile for the congregation's consideration. This has been emailed to you with the weekly Newsline.

If you have any questions please contact our MSB Convenor, the Rev. Philipp Potgieter: philippopot1987@gmail.com

Katikati Combined Church Service

This month Katikati Christian Center will be hosting the Katikati Combined Church Service at 7pm. More information to follow.

Rest Home Service

John and the team will be visiting the rest homes in Katikati again on 15 August. Please meet in the Lexham Park car park at 1:30pm. For more information, please contact John on 022-631-6501

St Paul's 150th

Rt Rev Peter Dunn will be preaching on Sunday, 30 August. We are also celebrating our 150th birthday. Please join us for a potluck lunch, cake and fun family games to celebrate each other and praise God.

Small Groups Expression of Interest

You would have received an email regarding completing a short expression of interest around small groups. Please complete these before end of August.

End of Financial Year

The end of financial year for St Paul's is fast approaching. AGM date will be confirmed later in the year, but please start thinking about drafting your annual report for the 2025\2026 Annual Report.

Mission News

The Mission Team have received the following emails from Wilf and Hari. Thank you to everyone who supported our Fellowship Soup and Bun luncheons in June and July.



'Thank you so much for the gift you sent from the "Soup & Buns" luncheon. We really appreciate the gift which will help us cover the cost of vehicle maintenance we had to do recently.

A big thank you for St Paul's Church for all the prayers and financial support, may the Lord bless you all, and may He provide for your daily sustenance as well.

*Blessings to you all from Sochiapam,
Wilf'*

Greetings St Paul's

'Thank you for your support, kindness, prayers, and encouragement. We received it, and we are truly grateful.

*With love and gratitude,
Hari and Richal'*

Pray With Us

The Ministry Settlement Board for St Paul's Katikati believes that God is at work among us, shaping our future and preparing the way ahead. In this time of discernment, we ask that you pray with us. We encourage you to lift the following prayers before God with expectancy and openness to the Spirit:

1. Discernment of God's Chosen Leader

- Pray that God would clearly guide the discernment process.

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- Pray for unity and clarity among those involved in the search.
- Pray that the right person will recognise the call and respond with courage.

2. A Spirit-Led, Spirit-Attentive Leader

- Pray for a Minister who listens deeply to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for someone who can discern the spiritual hunger of the congregation and community.
- Pray for a leader who helps people walk transformative spiritual pathways.

3. A Catalyst Who Activates Gifts

- Pray for a leader who can see the gifts, passions, and callings within the congregation.
- Pray for someone who can release and empower people into ministry.
- Pray for a leader who brings out the best in others.

4. A Shepherd With Apostolic Courage

- Pray for a Minister who can nurture, encourage, and strengthen leaders.
- Pray for someone with the courage to guide the church into new pastures.
- Pray for a leader who balances care and vision, tending the flock while calling them forward.

5. A Steward of Diversity

- Pray for someone who embraces the richness of different cultures, generations, and expressions of faith.
- Pray for a leader who can hold space for difference with wisdom and grace.
- Pray for someone who helps the church reflect the breadth of God's kingdom.

6. A Presence in the Community

- Pray for a Minister who is known and trusted in the neighbourhood.
- Pray for someone who encourages a missional life of alongsiders — everyday disciples walking with others.

- Pray for a leader who helps the church see where God is already at work locally.

7. A Clear, Grace-Filled Communicator

- Pray for a Minister who communicates with clarity, warmth, and conviction.
- Pray for preaching that opens Scripture and opens hearts.
- Pray for communication that builds unity and inspires hope.

8. Preparation of the Congregation

- Pray that the church will be ready to welcome, support, and partner with the new Minister.
- Pray for openness to change, growth, and new possibilities.
- Pray for a deepening hunger for God's presence and mission.

9. Protection and Provision

- Pray for God's protection over the candidate and their family.
- Pray for provision in practical matters — housing, finances, transition.
- Pray for peace and joy in the process.



Baptism is an important part of what it means to follow Jesus. If you are interested and want to know more, please talk with Ken Harray or our Session Clerk, Vanya Wallis.



CHURCH LIBRARY

Open!



NEW BORROWING & RETURN SYSTEM

now in place!

You can find simple instructions in the white "Church Library" folder on the trolley in the library area.



MORE FOR FAMILIES!

More children's books and DVDs are now available for families to enjoy.



DEVOTIONALS

A devotionals section has been added in the Children & Families area, and we will create a devotionals section in the main area when we have more to offer.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO DONATE?

If you have a devotional you'd like to donate to the library, please let Lynette or Glennis know.



WE HOPE YOU ENJOY USING the library!





Any questions?

Please reach out to [Lynette Douglas](#) or [Glennis Keown](#).



Thank you for supporting our church library! ❤️

CHURCH GIVING AND BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

If you wish to set up an automatic payment or donate to St Paul's, please use the following details:

Katikati Presbyterian Church, **02-0340-0013449-00**

We don't take up an offering during the service. If you would like to give, please use the wooden box in the foyer. Thank you.

Month	Incoming	Outgoing	Difference
July	\$10,836.60	\$21,420.36	\$10,583.76

Prayer



Every **Tuesday** morning from **8:30** in the **meeting room**.
Sunday mornings before service in the **Chapel** from **9am**.
 Reflectively **before service** in the **auditorium**.

Use the **Chapel** any time during office hours.

Just **please sign in and out at reception**. For **specific prayer requests**, contact **Vanya/pastoral team**.

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For more information on St Pauls and what we are about and what we do, please visit our website. [Home | St Paul's Presbyterian Church Katikati](#)

SMALL GROUPS

Monday Afternoon - Monday afternoon from 1.30pm to 3.00pm at 34 Longmynd Drive, Katikati. Contact Alison 027 662 3246 or Paul Parish on 027 423 0836.

Bible Study at the Foris Home Group – 44 Ballantyne Way, Mondays 7pm. Ph 07-549-3346. From 1 June we will be doing a video series promoted by Thinking matters NZ entitled “Towards Belief”. This series looks at the major “belief blockers” to the Christian faith.

His Youth

Friday nights from 7-9pm for Youth 12 and older (Year 8 and up) at St Paul’s Church – during term times only



Mainly Music

This is a fun music and movement group for pre-school aged children and their parents or caregivers. Friday morning (**except school and public holidays**). A door charge of \$3 per child, \$5 per family. Contact Cheryl Harray

mainlymusic@stpaulskatikati.org.nz or stpaulskkmm@gmail.com

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- **CHURCH BOOKINGS AND NOTICES FOR NEWSLINE**

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Newsline deadline Thursdays 12pm

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Functional Fitness

There will be NO class this Mondays. Please reach out to Karen if you have any questions.
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GIRL GUIDES



WE'RE FUNDRAISING TO GET TO GIRLGUIDING JAMBOREE!

Hi everyone! 

We are fundraising to get to GirlGuiding Jamboree and would love your support.

Every donation helps us get closer to this once-in-a-lifetime adventure.



If you're able to chip in, here's our page: 

<https://jamboreefundraising.girlguidingnz.org.nz/katikati-guides>



Thank you so much! 