

## St Paul's in the Park August Newsletter

### Church Community

*Once there was a very rich man who dreamed that he died and went to heaven. St Peter escorted him down a lovely street on which each house was magnificent. The rich man saw one house that was especially grand and asked who lived there. 'That is the celestial home of your butler,' said St Peter.*

*The man smiled, 'Well, if my butler gets a place like that, I certainly look forward to seeing what my new home will be like.'*

*Soon they came to a very small street where the houses were tiny and unpretentious. 'You will live in that tiny house,' said St Peter.*

*'Me live in a hovel like that!' exclaimed the rich man.*

*'This is the best we can do for you,' replied St Peter. 'You must understand that we only build your home with the material you send ahead while you are still on earth.'*

This story fits in well with this Sunday's homily. Our Christian religion is all about community, which in turn is all about people sharing, giving and working together. If we lose sight of that, we have lost the essence of Christianity.

'I command you to love each other in the same way I love you.' John 15:12



### The Blessing Aotearoa

For a wonderful example of Christians from a wide variety of churches throughout the country coming together to spread a message of blessing, please follow the link below. Trust me, you won't be disappointed.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eZQPifs2kjo>

### Back to Church

Naturally, we will have to wait until an announcement is made next week with regards any movement out of Level 3. At this stage I envisage a return to church when we move to Level 1, as we did previously. However, we will monitor the situation as we go, and I will keep you informed.

I don't care who your dad is, this is an illegal gathering



### **Time for a Smile**

Church bulletins: these notices actually appeared in church bulletins.

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus walks on water.' The sermon this evening: 'Searching for Jesus.'

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Don't let worry kill you off – let the church help.

### **To Ponder**

A smile is a light that shows the heart is at home.' Anon.

### **YouTube clip**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pn2sZNqJXew>

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