



TE HUI AMORANGI O TE MANAWA O TE WHEKE

MANU KOKIRO

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Confirming the Faith @ Taupiri



On Saturday the 14th of April I journeyed to Christ Church in Taupiri for the confirmation of 16 Rangatahi in Te Manawa o Te Wheke and the ordination



of 3 deacons to the priesthood. The service was attended by about 100 people in total which included clergy from as far as Whangarei. The service went really well and the Rangatahi were all excited about being confirmed. Bishop Ngarahu confirmed the candidates and in his Kauwhau he spoke about what this Church has to offer new comers. How the Anglican Church might not be the most interesting for Rangatahi, however "you get out what you put in." The Bishop said that we don't have the best Music, nor do we have the flashiest things. However we offer salvation to all who turn to Christ, not in this life but

in the next. Very powerful stuff. He challenged the newly confirmed Rangatahi and priests to go out and spread the Gospel to all of God's people. It was a really nice service, the music was great! A very positive atmosphere in the church. The ordinations followed the confirmations which some of the Rangatahi found interesting as they had not seen an ordination before. Bishop Ngarahu celebrated and we all took communion. It was a special time for the Rangatahi and the new priest. A moment which many will treasure for a long time. The singing at the service was great! I especially enjoyed singing hymn 116 "E te Atua, kua ruia nei" to the Manawa o Te Wheke tune. I returned to Christ Church for their service on Sunday which was equally as enjoyable.

For more on the confirmation service check out the Ngira Blog and Radio Ruia



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New beginnings in Thames

On the 29th of April I was amongst many who gathered at Te Toko Toru Tapu Church in Parawae just out of Thames for the opening and rededication of this beautiful building. Rev. Wally Wells is to be credited for his mahi in getting this church up and going again and it was a pleasure for me to attend. Bishop Ngarahu was there and at the same time he also confirmed Craig Reidy, a local Pakeke who wants to follow Christ. It was kool! The Bishop preached about the Good Shepherd and how Shepherds need to be towards there sheep. We can't be like the "Sheep Dog" who just yells at the sheep. Rather we need to be an example and the sheep will follow. Very powerful stuff! The service was led by Ven. Eru Beattie, Rev. Elaine Kasper, Rev. Hati Kururangi, Rev. Beverly Moana-Smith and myself and it was a choice service! Rev. Wally played the keyboard which was tumeke! There were 6 Rangatahi that attended the service and I enjoyed catching up with them also. After the service we all went up to Matai Whetu Marae which was just round the corner for a Hakari and Korero. All in all a fantastic day and I look forward to future involvement with the Whanau at Te Toko Toru Tapu!

Scholarships!



- ✦ Are you planning on taking up tertiary study in 2008?
- ✦ Are you committed to ministry in Te Manawa o Te Wheke?
- ✦ Are you aged 16-40?

If you answer yes to all these then contact Ngira to find out more! Kia tere!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tai Hauauru Rohe Hui

Date: 1-3 June
Venue: Hamilton
Ngira will visit the rohe and hold a rangatahi hui.
Contact: Ngira

Kura Hotoke

Date: 10-13 July
Venue: Rotorua
An awesome winter school at the Taapapa.
School Contact: Ngira

RESOURCES



The Ngira Blog

www.rangatahi.org.nz

Check out the adventures and ramblings of Ngira on his blog.

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