

THE CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY

OUR MISSION IS TO:

- DRAW people to faith in Christ
- GROW people in their commitment to Christ
- REACH OUT beyond ourselves with the love of Christ



SERVICES TODAY

THEME: The Call

PREACHER: Rev. Glen Ashworth

READINGS: Luke 4:14-21 & Jeremiah1:4-10

SENTENCE: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has

anointed me to bring good news to the poor."

Luke 4:18

COLLECT:

Loving God, your loving purpose and mercy exceed all imagining. Remove from us any narrowness of mind or heart that limits your grace, and strengthen our will to follow wherever you may lead us. Through Jesus Christ our Liberator, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and

forever. Amen

Welcome



Meeting under red



Record keeping/scanning required



Food and drink may be shared at gatherings



Face coverings encouraged



Remember to stay at home if you are unwell

For vaccine pass gatherings



Vaccine passes must be checked



Gatherings – up to 25 people

Without vaccine passes



Gatherings – up to 100 people

Find out more at Covid19.govt.nz

Unite against COVID-19

PARISH PRAYER POINTS

Please pray:

- For our church family in this time of change as we continue to meet in small groups, that we retain unity as a church family and grow as individuals and as the family of Christ.
- That we would respond to Jesus' call to be like him, proclaiming the good news and freedom as we reach out in our communities.
- That as we meet for a time in house churches that are more intimate, we may reflect on what it means to be church.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember to add your prayer requests to the box in the foyer. A pen and paper are provided. These will be collected each week to be prayed over.

Jane Sheat (578 9004) and **Rosemarie Nicholls** (578 1163) are our Prayer Chain Coordinators. Please contact the office or phone them with any requests you have for the prayer chain during the week.

NEWS AND EVENTS

PARISH NURSE

Hi everyone. The Foot Clinic is starting again out at Spring Creek. All are welcome, regardless of vaccination status, on the **second**

Thursday each month 9:30am - 12:30ish.

Come for some Food, Fun & Fellowship. Home visits can also be done if required so call if you would like that service instead. I'm also available if you would like advice around home medical kits.

Please note my work hours are on the back of the newsletter. An information poster is on the Parish Nurse notice board.

NATIVITY SERMONS

If you want to keep up with the preaching at Nativity our podcasts are a good way to do that. You can find them all here on our

Podbean channel

https://vicarm.podbean.com/

Website

https://www.nativity.org.nz/sermons

These are uploaded each week so that you can listen wherever and whenever you choose. If you prefer to watch the videos, check out our

YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCHPx1w laV_M4SEAGmpC9lg

You can watch a service immediately after the event or choose to just watch the sermon at a later date.

PUTIPUTI MEMORIAL

Kevin and family will be remembering Putiputi with an afternoon tea following the burying of her ashes. All are welcome to join them in the **Hall from 2pm on Sunday the 6th of February.** Please bring a plate of food to share.(VP-Vaccination pass required).

PASTORAL CARE AND NATIVITY

Please remember that we currently have care available in the form of:

- Private and rest home visiting,
- Rest home services,
- Meals,
- Transport,
- Home communion.
- Care cells and small groups

We are committed to maintaining good pastoral care in this challenging time. Please keep in touch with your carecell or small group and speak to Jane Sheat, Alison Brice, or Roz in the office if you are aware of other pastoral needs.

TUNES FOR TOTS

Unfortunately this has been cancelled under the **red** traffic light system. Please keep this ministry in your prayers and let us know if you are interested in being involved in the future.

CONVERGENCE CAMP

Unfortunately this has been **cancelled** due to the red traffic light system being in place. Let's hope and pray that it will be able to run again next year.

SERVING OUR CHURCH

Is there anyone out there that would be willing to help polish the brass? It only involves around half an hour once every 2 months (during office hours if possible).

Anyone willing to help with flower arranging would also help ease the load on our current volunteers. If you are interested please contact Vivienne James 578 8985 or the office. Thank you.

CHRISTIAN MUSIC

Roger and Pauline Tisch have some Christian CDs to give away. If you, or your group, would be interested in these please contact them on 578-7351.

COMING UP:

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 2nd AAW

7:30pm-Lounge (NVP)

Fridays Link

1pm - Hall/lounge (NVP)

Saturday 12th **Coffee Connections**

9:30am - Raupō Café (VP)

Monday 14th, 21st

& 28th

Care and Share 9:30am Hall (VP)

Wednesday 9th &

23rd

Intercessory Prayer 4pm Barnies (NVP)

NVP - No vaccine pass required (limit 25)

VP - Please show vaccination certificate

AAW

AAW will have there first meeting for the year on Wednesday 2nd of February in the lounge from 7:30pm. All women welcome.

CONTACT US



Monday - Wednesday 9am - 1pm Thursday - Friday 9am - 12noon



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WEEKLY SERVICES FEBRUARY

Sundays 10am

Livestream service via

website or YouTube

Thursday 10am

Eucharist Service St Barnabas Chapel

(Barnies)

NATIVITY CONTACT DETAILS

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Receptionist: Rosalind Mundy

Mon - Wed & Friday 9am-2:30pm

Parish Kathy Taylor

Administrator: Tues - Thurs 9am-2:30pm

All can also be contacted via the office

(please see details above)

NEXT SUNDAY

Rev. Glen Ashworth

"The nature of discipleship"

via prerecorded or Livestream