



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



OUR SERVICES TODAY

- THEME:** Thinking Christianly
- PREACHER:** Rev. Glen Ashworth
- READINGS:** Psalm 1, 1 Cor 2:1-16, John 16:12-15
- SENTENCE:** Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. *Romans 12:2*
- COLLECT:** God, you know better than we the temptations that will bring us down. Grant that our love for you may protect us from all foolish and corrupt desire. Praise to you our God; you answer prayer. *Amen.*

Welcome

NOTES/ART

LENTEN CHALLENGE

In our Library, along with books you will find some note books to take as journals.

You are all invited to pick a book from the church library with the aim of reading it slowly over the **six weeks of Lent** (between Ash Wednesday, 22nd February and Easter Sunday, 9th April) and writing what has struck you and what you think God is saying to you (if you are artistic you may prefer to do a collection of art works in your journal).

You are encouraged to share your insights with friends but there is no compulsion to do so, no one will be checking your spelling, grammar etc. We would love to see any art work that people wish to share!

Your librarians, Miriam Taylor and Raewyn Parkes.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember to add your prayer requests to the box in the **foyer of the church**. A pen and paper are provided. These will be collected each week to be prayed over. We have an online prayer wall that you can add to or access to pray over at any time. Please contact the office or our prayer chain co-ordinators **Jane Sheat** (578 9004) and **Rosemarie Nicholls** (578 1163) with any requests you have for the prayer chain during the week.

NEWS AND EVENTS

CARECELL MEETING

Glen would like to meet with any interested in care cell ministry to talk through the purpose of carecells and get a bit of a shared vision and purpose. Open to current leaders, members or those wanting to join a small group.

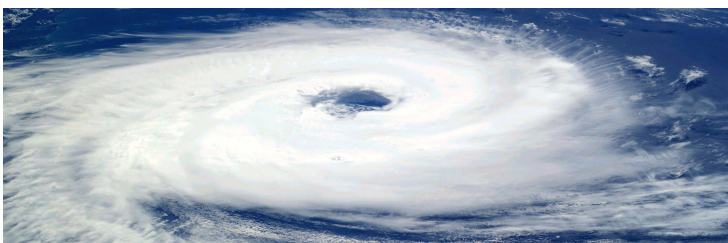
When: Sunday 5th March approximately 11:30am in the lounge or as advised.

NATIVITY AGM

Our 2023 AGM will be held on **Sunday the 12th of March** following a **9am service**.

There will also be a shared BBQ lunch at Pollard park to follow (BBQs are booked).

Please prayerfully consider nominations for the vestry, peoples' warden and SYNOD reps for this year. Nominations and reports are **due Monday 27th February 2023**.



CYCLONE RESPONSE

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa has formed Hāpaitia: The Anglican Gabrielle Response Group, and as part of that launched an emergency appeal through Anglican Missions (AM). AM will coordinate support to communities most affected and donations can be made by following the link below. The response group will also focus on providing other forms of support during the recovery and we will keep you informed as these develop.

<https://anglicanmissions.org.nz/humanitarian-emergencies/gabrielle/>

AAW MEETING

AAW will be holding a meeting at **1.30pm** on **1st March** at St Barnabas. General business Sales Table.

RECEPTIONIST



Roz Mundy



Iemke Moore

Rosalind (Roz) Mundy finished as receptionist on Friday the 17th of February. Iemke Moore is the new receptionist.

A ROCHA

Peter Harris, the co-founder of A Rocha (the organization that birthed the eco-church) will be in Blenheim on **Saturday, March 4th**. There will be an opportunity to meet with him for some question and answer time **in the church from 10am** on that day.

NBAS

The Nativity Beer Appreciation Society will meet at Nativity at **3pm on Sunday the 26th of February** to visit the Marlborough Brewseum. To find out more please see the facebook page or contact Glen.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023

The world day of prayer will be celebrated on **Friday the 3rd of March** with a morning tea and service from **10am at St Mary's church**/Star of the Sea Marlborough. The service this year comes from Taiwan. All are welcome to attend

COMING UP:

FEBRUARY

- Friday 24th Feb **Link**
1pm Alison Brice's house
- Sunday 26th **Small Group Leaders Meeting**
After 10am service in church
- SafeHere Training**
11:30am St Barnabas Chapel
- NBAS**
3pm Nativity
- Monday 27th Feb **Care and Share**
9:30am St Barnabas Chapel

MARCH

- Wednesday 1st **AAW**
1:30 St Barnabas Chapel
- Wednesday 1st, 8th & 15th **Healing Horticulture**
7pm St Barnabas Chapel
- Friday 3rd March **Link**
1pm St Barnabas Chapel
- Friday 3rd, 24th, 31st **Tunes for Tots**
9:30am Wesley Centre
- Wednesday 8th & 22nd **Intercessory Prayer Meeting**
4pm St Barnabas Chapel
- Saturday 11th **Coffee Connections**
9:30am Raupō Café
- Monday 13th & 27th **Care and Share**
9:30am St Barnabas Chapel

NATIVITY CONTACT DETAILS

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*All can also be contacted via the office
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WEEKLY SERVICES

- Sundays 8am **Sung Eucharist Service**
Church
- Sundays 10am **Family Communion**
Church
- Thursday 10am **Eucharist Service**
St Barnabas Chapel
from February 2nd.

NEXT SUNDAY

Rev. Glen Ashworth

**"Thinking
Christianly:
God"**

**Parish
Administrator:** Kathy Taylor
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Tues - Thurs 9am - 3:00pm