

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



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THEME: The Nature of Discipleship

PREACHER: Rev. Glen Ashworth

READINGS: Luke 5:1-11 & 1 Corinthians 15:1-11.

SENTENCE: 'Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from

now on you will be catching people." Luke 5:10

COLLECT: God of mission, you call us by name; as you send us

out may we continue to follow you, listening to your

word, living your life, and declaring your message; through Jesus Christ our Liberator, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one

God, now and for ever. Amen.

VESTRY REPORTS AND AGM

Our AGM is coming up soon!

If you lead a ministry at Nativity, please submit a short report to Kathy Taylor on what happened in your ministry area in 2021. This will be included in the Parish Report.

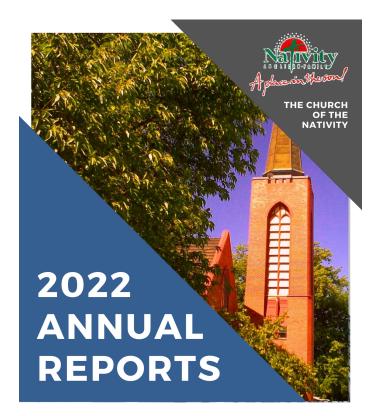
Also, please prayerfully consider who should be nominated for the role of vestry member in the governance of our parish.

Nomination forms will available through the office and can be emailed if necessary.

These and all reports are due back to the office by **Monday 14th February.** Please send to

admin@nativity.org.nz

ALL ARE WELCOME to attend the AGM but only those on the electoral roll will be eligible to vote. **Details on the meeting arrangement will be published soon.**



PREPARED FOR

Blenheim Anglican Parish AGM DATE
Sunday
6 March 2022

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 on the Nativity Centre.** 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.

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.

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.

OUTREACH GUIDING GROUP

We are pulling together a group that will help progress the outreach vision developed last year by Vestry and the wider church. This group with look at current and potential outreach opportunities and how these can be pathways for people coming to faith. If you are someone who is not afraid of throwing around ideas, a team player with management or leadership skills who is interested in seeing the church meet the felt needs of those around us and sharing the good news about Jesus get in touch with Glen asap.

THANK YOU TO VOLUNTEERS

A special thanks to all of the volunteers that have been working behind the scenes especially over recent weeks. A special thanks to Beverley Kingston who has been systematically cleaning all of the pre-school toys for use this coming term/year!

MEMORIAL FOR PUTIPUTI

Please note that the memorial for Putiputi on **Sunday the 6th of February** has **changed** to an afternoon tea in the RSA rooms at the Clubs of Marlborough from 3pm. Sandwiches provided, buy your own drinks (vaccination pass required). Please contact Kevin for more information.

METAL COLLECTION

Just a reminder that if you have bits of metal that can be recycled these can still be bought to the office. Beverley has been able to raise funds bit by bit for new hall chairs thanks to your donations thus far.

FOOD BANK

Please remember to support our local foodbank or Johns' Kitchen with donations at your local supermarket or Crossroads. We continue to act as an agency for them and assist with supporting those in need but they do need the food and/ or finance to be able to give. Over 2000 parcels were given out in 2021!

COMING UP:

FEBRUARY

Fridays **Link**

1pm - Hall/lounge (NVP)

Saturday 12th Coffee Connections

9:30am - Raupō Café (VP)

Monday 14th, 21st Ca

& 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

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.

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OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the office is open from 9-12 Monday to Friday. Please do try to keep your visits and inquiries to these hours.

WEEKLY SERVICES FEBRUARY

Sundays 9am

Livestream service via website or YouTube

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 cost of discipleship"

via prerecorded or Livestream