



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:** Abide in me
- PREACHER:** Glen Ashworth
- READINGS:** Romans 12:1-8, John 15:1-5
- 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:** Living God, you sent your Son Jesus to your people. Embolden your church to proclaim Jesus as Messiah, and to trust in him. 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.*

Welcome

NOTES/ART



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

WATER BAPTISM



On the 14th of May, there will be a water baptism for the youth. If you are interested in getting baptised as well please get in touch with Glen.

SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are vital to the smooth running of our church! We appreciate your help very much. In order to improve the way we generate our monthly roster we would appreciate your help in filling in the form you would have received via email. If you didn't please contact the office. The form can also be located at

[nativityblenheim.breezechms.com/
form/Rosters2023](http://nativityblenheim.breezechms.com/form/Rosters2023)

THANK YOU

Thank you to the volunteers who helped with the gardening at the property in Hilton Place.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



We are looking for more volunteers to help with the Children's ministry programmes during the 10am service. If you could help out in this area please contact the office.

PRAYER REQUESTS



- Alpha participants
- those preparing for baptism and confirmation
- Glen's sabbatical leave
- Safety and progress of the building development

CONFIRMATIONS

On Sunday the 28th of March at the 10am service there will be confirmations for the youth with Bishop Steve Maina.

SOLID ROCK



Solid Rock (for students in Grades 6 and up) is starting again this Friday 6.30-8pm. 26 Lee Street. Contact Rebecca Silva for more info.

SABBATICAL

Glen will be on sabbatical from the 15th of May until the 5th of June. In case of emergency contact the office, the wardens or Kathy Taylor (021 570 919)

AAW MEETING

The AAW is having their meeting on Wednesday the 3rd of May at 1.30pm at St Barnabas Chapel. Discussing careers you have or have had. Sales table.

COMING UP:

MAY

Monday 1st, 15th & 29th **Care and Share**
9:30am St Barnabas Chapel

Wednesday 3rd **AAW Meeting**
1:30pm St Barnabas Chapel

Wednesday 3rd & 17th **Intercessory Prayer**
4pm St Barnabas Chapel

Friday 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th **Tunes for Tots**
9:30am Wesley Centre

Link
1pm St Barnabas Chapel

Solid Rock
6.30-8pm - 26 Lee Street

Saturday 13th **Coffee Connections**
9:30 am Raupō Café

Sunday 14th **Water Baptisms**
10am Church service

Wednesday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st **Healing Horticulture**
7pm St Barnabas Chapel

Saturday 27th **Repair Cafe**
9:30am John's Kitchen

Sunday 28th **Confirmations**
10am Church service

CONTACT US



Monday - Friday **9am - 12noon**



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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
"Baptism"
8 & 10am

NATIVITY CONTACT DETAILS

Vicar: **Rev. Glen Ashworth**
vicar@nativity.org.nz

Receptionist: **Iemke Moore**
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Mon, Wed, Thur 9am-3pm
Friday 9am - 12:30pm

*All can also be contacted via the office
(please see details above)*

People's Warden: Ruth Struthers
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Parish Administrator: Kathy Taylor
admin@nativity.org.nz
Tues - Thurs 9am - 3:00pm