



# 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:** What's in a name?
- READINGS:** Acts 5:12-16, Mark 16:15-20 & Matthew 4:23-25
- PREACHER:** Rev. Glen Ashworth
- SENTENCE:** A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured. *Acts 5:16*
- COLLECT:** Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have broken the power of death and brought life and immortality to light; grant that we who have been raised with him may triumph over all temptation and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

# Welcome

## SERMON NOTES

## KIDS CORNER

**What is  
the  
ascension?**

## PARISH PRAYER POINTS

Please pray for:

- The development of Christian youth and planning of a Marlborough- wide youth event.
- The parish of St Christopher's who are still without a permanent vicar - that the Lord will show them a purpose and vision for the future.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember to add your prayer requests to the box in the foyer. A pen and paper is 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

## PRAYER BREAKFAST

Please register your interest now for our prayer breakfast!



**When:** 8am Saturday, 22nd May 2021

**Where:** Nativity lounge

**Cost:** \$10pp (payable on the day)

**Guest Speakers:** Reverends James and Julia Coleman from St. Mary's Anglican Church, Silverstream, Upper Hutt

Come along for some lovely food and to hear these inspiring speakers who have a focus on street evangelism and healing prayer. For more information speak to Jan or Jane or contact the office.

**Bookings:** Please book at the office by phoning 5783909 or email [info@nativity.org.nz](mailto:info@nativity.org.nz) for catering purposes by **Wednesday 19th May 2021.**

## DIOCESAN NEWS

Just a reminder that you can keep in touch with what is going on around the diocese by following the [Nelson Anglicans](#) Facebook page or subscribing to their weekly [Kōrero](#) e-mail. If you are interested to know more, please take a look at the [Nelson Anglican website](#) or contact Roz at the office.

## CORINS' VISIT TO NZ?

Please pray for the Corins as they hope to return to New Zealand for a 100 day visit but need work with MIQ requirements. They have submitted a request for exemption from the need to pay for their full stay in MIQ as they had booked to be in the country before the change in requirements and are hoping to come to see their NZ family and supporters.

## THY KINGDOM COME

Thy Kingdom Come invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost (**13th-23rd May**) for five of their friends or family to come to know God and experience God's Kingdom. There are many [resources](#) available for all ages and families to help focus on this. If you are interested, see the website or contact Roz for more details.

## PASTORAL CARE



Jane Sheat and Alison Brice invite you to join a Pastoral care meeting on **Thursday the 27th of May from 11am** in the lounge. This is an open meeting to acknowledge all the pastoral care happening, bring new ideas, and discuss any concerns. All welcome.

## CMS PRAYER MEETING

Christian Missionary Society meeting on **this Sunday afternoon at 4pm** in the lounge - all welcome!!

## MID-WINTER CHRISTMAS DINNER/AUCTION

The fundraising team is hosting a Mid-Winter Christmas Dinner/Auction at the Bamboo Garden Restaurant on **Monday the 21st June** from 6pm. The full multicourse meal will cost \$40 per person. As part of the evening entertainment, there will also be an auction.

Registrations are now available [online](#) and from the office. For more information please visit the office or our [website](#). All tickets must be collected from the Reception. Funds raised will go towards the purchase of a new keyboard for the church and appliances for the new kitchen.



## COMING UP:

### MAY

- Monday 24th **Care & Share**  
9:30am - Lounge
- Fridays **Link**  
1pm - Lounge  
**Tunes for Tots**  
9:30am - Hall and Lounge
- Sunday 16th **CMS Prayer meeting**  
4pm- Lounge
- Wednesday 19th **Intercessory Prayer Group**  
4pm - Barnies
- Saturday 22nd **Nativity Prayer Breakfast**  
8am - Lounge
- Thursday 27th **Pastoral care meeting**  
11am - Lounge

## CONTACT US



Monday - Wednesday 9am - 1pm  
Thursday - 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  
(Barnies)



## FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP

Wanted please: volunteers to assist with flower arranging in the church. This would only entail a duty about 5 times a year. Flowers can be provided or assistance given if needed. Please contact the parish office or Vivienne James 5788985.

## NATIVITY CONTACT DETAILS

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

**Parish Nurse:** Sharon Thomas  
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*Both can also be contacted via the office 03 578 3909 or info@nativity.org.nz*