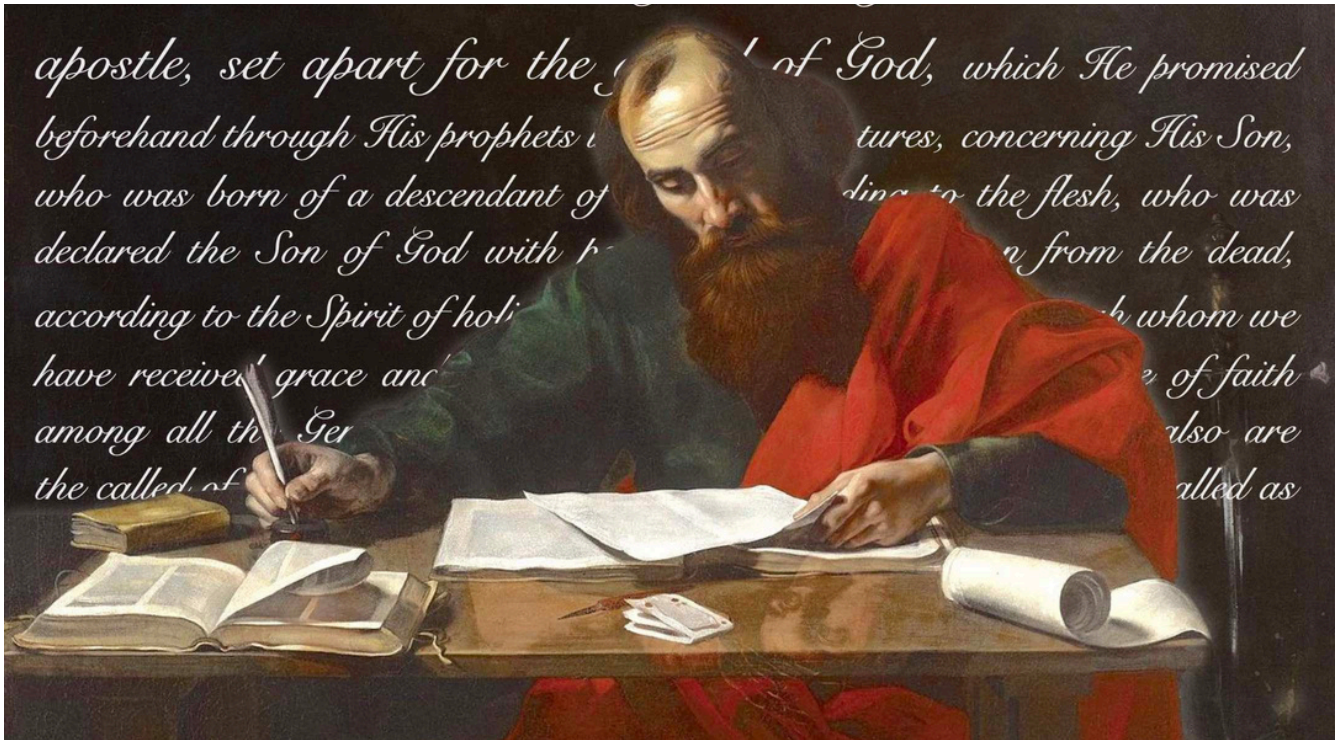


WEEKLY NEWS



Romans - Chapter 4

Preacher: Kaye Dyer

Readings: Romans 4:1-10,
Romans 4: 13-16, 20-25

Sentence: Oh, what joy for those whose disobedience is forgiven, whose sins are put out of sight. Yes, what joy for those whose record the Lord has cleared of sin.
Romans 4:7-8

Collect: God of our forebears, as your chosen servant Abraham was given faith to obey your call and go out into the unknown, so may your Church be granted such faith that we may follow you courageously now and forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



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

Office Hours

Monday - Friday
9am-12 noon

ONE OFF EVENTS

Official Hall Opening

Saturday 20th July at 2pm

REGULAR EVENTS

Weekly Prayer Meeting

Wednesday 8.45am
Lounge

Monthly Prayer Meeting

8th July 7pm - Hall

Tunes for Tots

Fridays 9:30am during term
Nativity Hall

Care and Share

8th & 22nd July 9:30am
Lounge

Link - Games Afternoon

Fridays 1pm - Lounge

AAW Meeting

4th July 11.30am -2.30pm
St Christophers

Coffee Connections

13th July 9:30am - Raupo

Repair Cafe

27th July 9am - 12pm
John's Kitchen

Choir Practice

Wed 7pm - Choir Vestry

CMS Prayer Meeting

21st July 3.30pm - Library

Save the date

Our Official Hall Opening is happening on **Saturday 20th July at 2pm**. More details to follow.

AAW

The next AAW meeting will be held on Thursday the 4th July from 11.30am to 2.30pm at St Christophers. It promises to be a fun social afternoon, along with a quiz. Please bring a plate of food to share.

Leadership camp

If you're involved in ministry or mission at your parish, come together with like-minded people in fellowship and learning.

This year's guest speaker, Julie-Anne Laird is a specialist consultant on Evangelism and Mission. She has 20 years of experience training university students in evangelism, she has a heart that burns to share Jesus and loves to equip others.

She's excited to encourage us in being courageous.

11th-13th July - St Arnaud

Register online:

<https://www.nelsonanglican.nz/events/lc24>

Prayers

If you would like prayer, please place your requests in the prayer box located in the church foyer. These requests are collected weekly for prayer. We also have a prayer chain available. For prayer requests during the week, please contact the office or reach out to Jane Sheat at 578 9004 or Rosemarie Nicholls at 578 1163.

Alpha Marriage

The Marriage Course has just started. Please keep the couples attending in your prayers, that the course might benefit them and strengthen their marriages.

Soup and Buns

Thank you to Kathy Taylor's Care Cell for providing the delicious soup and the fun games. It was wonderful to gather and enjoy fellowship. The next Soup and Buns event will be hosted by Eileen Guard's Care Cell on July 28th. For the August edition (25th), we are still looking for a Care Cell to host or 6-7 individuals to make a pot of soup and serve. Please let the office know if you can help.

JUNE 2024

VESTRY UPDATE

Over the past two months, the vestry has examined the link between discipleship and leadership: The two are inextricably linked. To try to lead without making disciples takes us off mission and limits our ability to impact the world for the gospel. To try to make disciples without leading creates church attenders /members, but not people who imitate the character and life of our Lord (Ephesians 5:1-2).

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Jan - May 2024

Operating Income: **\$149,779**

From offertories and regular sources.

Operating Expenditure: **\$163,705**

Standard operating costs

Trust interest: **\$19,169**

Income on funds held in trust

Investment income: **\$23,300**

Income from investment properties less expenses.

HIGHLIGHTS

The White Windows bequest has an amendment approved that allows funds to be used for the preservation of existing stained glass windows during renovation.

Kathy Taylor resigned her role as Parish Administrator, replaced by Susan Schmidt.

Stephen Leitch has agreed to continue in the role of treasurer, working with our administrators to oversee the financial operations at Nativity.

Approval has been given for the repair and repainting of the passageway, counselling room and administration centre as the final stage of the centre renovations.

Discussion was held around the earthquake risks associated with the earthquake-prone status of the church building. Further updates to come.

Thanks given to Jenny Tyney and her team for the wonderful 'Glamorous Gowns' event held at Nativity last month.

Vestry also identified the need to clarify their role in implementing the Church's vision for outreach.



NATIVITY
ANGLICAN CHURCH

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE
NATIVITY FUNCTION CENTRE

Grand Opening Ceremony



Date & Time

SATURDAY 20 JULY, 2024 | 02:00 PM

Location

76 Alfred Street
Blenheim

RSVP

admin@nativity.org.nz