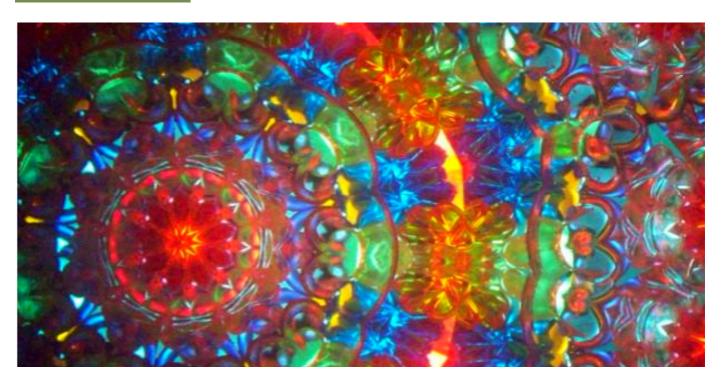


THE CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY

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



SERVICES TODAY

THEME: Through the Church **PREACHER:** Rev. Miriam Taylor

READINGS: Ephesians 3:5-13 & Matthew 2:1-12

SENTENCE: "...through the church the wisdom of God in its rich

variety might now be made known to the rulers and

authorities in the heavenly places." Ephesians 3:10

COLLECT: God our most Holy Friend, through your Son Jesus you

call us together and send us out as a new family, formed around you. Give us revelation and courage to live out the mystery of our faith and so make known the wisdom of God in the heavenly places, In the name of

Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.



NOTES/ART

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN MEDIA

Our Father in Heaven,

We bring before You all who work within New Zealand's media. We ask for Your blessing on the producers, directors, presenters, managers, writers, journalists, editors, technicians, advertisers, publishers and the vast array of others who make up New Zealand's media.

Your Word instructs us to pray for people in places of responsibility (1 Tim 2v2). So God, to these media professionals, please grant wisdom and discernment. Help media decision-makers and content-creators to be sensitive to the needs of their audiences and our communities. Use their words, pictures and stories to touch hearts and engage people's minds towards goodness, truth and beauty. May their work bring healing, laughter and hope.

We pray for those behind the scenes and those in the spotlight. We thank You for their talents and technical abilities. As they write, edit, film and broadcast, please use their skills to shine light where there's darkness, to comfort those who are suffering and bring joy to the lonely. We pray for a greater openness to Your Spirit, that more people in the media would look to You for wisdom, inspiration and guidance.

May we, as followers of Christ, always seek to bless, love and serve – rather than criticize. Help us to reorient our posture, so that when we experience media that is destructive, we will maintain a constructive attitude of respect and prayer.

By Your grace, we pray for New Zealand's media to be raised to its highest purpose; to be a vehicle for good, for edification and truth, for dignity and courage, and the flourishing of your world. Lord, make our media a blessing in this nation. We pray all this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Amen.

Courtesy of the NZ Christian Broadcasting Association 2022.

NEWS AND EVENTS

HUGE TOOL SALE

You can help! The **30th of July** will soon be here. Please look out your spare rakes, hoes, spanners, loppers etc. and bring these to the office or in the bin at the back of church THIS SUNDAY! All funds raised will go towards the hall renovations.

BIBLE MONTH

July is Bible month!

Just a reminder that we have some bibles for all ages for sale here at Nativity at cost price from Manna Bookstores.

- New Living Translation (Silver Fern or Turquoise)- \$28 each
- Beginners Bible- \$25 each
- Level 66 Life Impact Bible \$40 each
- Jesus Storybook Bible- \$25 each

Others may be ordered on your behalf. Please see the office for more information.



THE WELL

Our 3rd session of the Well is this Sunday 10th July 5-8pm. This week's theme is God's Kingdom and how we live as kingdom people in everyday life.

All are welcome to join but please book your seat for catering. Koha to cover costs. Contact Kaye Dyer at 0211758563 or kaye@mightymessage.com

FAVOURITE HYMNS

Thank you to Eileen Guard and her team who led us in the singing of some favourite hymns last Sunday. Watch out for other events coming up!

EQUIP 2022

Open to all parishioners and filling up fast!!

Saturday the 23rd of July 2022

St Arnaud

Guest Speaker: Jay Behan

Register or find out more contact the office or

see: https://nelsonanglicans.com/equip

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.

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.







MINISTRY FAIR AND SOUP & BUN LUNCH

The church is holding a **ministry fair** after the 10am service starting at **11am** this **Sunday the 10th of July** followed by a **soup and bun lunch.** Staff and ministry leaders would encourage everyone to take this opportunity to explore areas of ministry that you can be involved in.

There is something for all ages, abilities and interests so check it out!

COMING UP IN JULY:

Fridays Link

1pm Hall/lounge

Wednesdays Healing Horticulture

CANCELLED

Saturday 9th **Coffee Connections**

9:30am Raupō café

Sunday 10th Ministry Fair/ Soup and Bun

Lunch

11am Nativity Church and

Centre

Monday 11th & 25th Care and Share

9:30am Hall

Wednesdays 13th Intercessory Prayer Meeting

CANCELLED

Saturday 23rd Repair Café

9am-12 noon Crossroads

Wednesday 27th Intercessory Prayer Meeting

4pm Barnies

Saturday 30th Tool Sale

9:30am Nativity Centre

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sundays 8am **Sung Eucharist Service**

Church

Sundays 10am Family Communion

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Thursday 10am **Eucharist Service**

St Barnabas Chapel

(Barnies)

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NEXT SUNDAY

Rev. Glen Ashworth

" Inerrancy

of the Bible"

8 & 10am