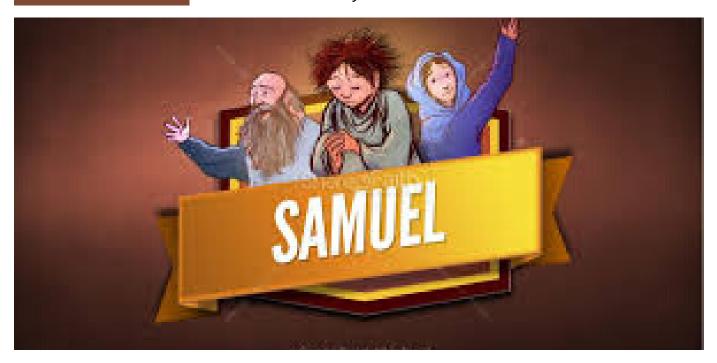


# THE CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY

#### 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



JR SERVICES TODAY

**THEME:** You must be born again (8am)

Called by God (10am)

**READINGS:** Romans 7: 15-25a, Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 (8am)

1 & 2 Samuel (10am)

**SENTENCE:** The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is

eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23

**COLLECT:** God of hospitality, even a glass of water given in your

name is rewarded beyond measure. So fill our hearts with love that we welcome all in your name, For you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy

Spirit, one God now and for ever. **Amen** 



#### **SERMON NOTES**

#### FOR REFUGEES

Merciful God. We pray for all people in danger, those seeking refuge and fleeing for their lives, who face hunger and discrimination, whose voices are not heard. May they find the help they need to not only survive but to live well. May they find a warm welcome and new opportunities. May they be safe. Help us to look beyond our own fears and concerns to stand with people displaced and unfairly treated as we challenge treatment that is not right. May our ears be attuned to voices we have not heard as we work together for justice and peace. In Jesus' Name. Amen. (Christian World Service Prayer for Refugee Sunday)



Pray that we may be aware of the refugees and displaced people around us here in Marlborough also and that we would be encouraged to reach out to them with the love and Good news of our Lord Jesus Christ!

#### **Refugees By Numbers (2018)**

70.8 million displaced people, 41.3 million people are internally displaced, 25.9 million are refugees

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK AT NATIVITY

#### THURSDAY

10am

Eucharist Service - Barnies

#### **FRIDAY**

Link - Lounge

1pm

#### SUNDAY

**Sung Eucharist Service**Family Communion

-Church

Soup and Soulfood

- Lounge

8am

10am

4pm

#### **TUESDAY**

**2:30pm** Afternoon Carecell - Lounge

#### WEDNESDAY

**7pm** Choir practice - *Church* 

### **NEWS AND EVENTS**

#### **FOOD BANK**

Please remember that our food bank is not operating as usual at the moment. There are great needs in the community but at this stage we feel it is best to support the Marlbrough Foodbank directly with our giving. You can do this by adding foodstuffs to the collection bins at your local supermarket, donating directly online or calling Crossroads Marlborough (03) 578 5395 to donate shelf- stable or fresh produce.

#### **ELECTION 2020**

A local political candidate is available to talk with small groups if you are interested please see the office for more details. Rev. Dr Graeme O'Brian co-chair of the Inter-church bioethics group is also available to speak on issues that we will be voting on. You can listen to an interview with him on these issues on a RNZ podcast. Please access links via the web version of the pew sheet or contact the office for more information.

#### **LOST PROPERTY**

There are a number of lost property items in the office. If you have lost a hat or item of clothing please contact the office.



#### SOUP AND SOULFOOD

**Sunday 5th July 4-5:30pm, Nativity Church lounge.** A taster for those groups or individuals considering the "Truth and Freedom" resource from Ellel Ministries.

Meet Paul and Jillian Robertson to learn about the course and experience Session 1: Experiencing healing in all its forms. An indication of attendance is required for catering purposes. Please advise Sue Howarth (sue@soundsanglican.org.nz) or Jo **Danks** directly or via the office.

#### **TAX RECEIPTS**

Tax receipts for giving were e-mailed or posted out to all of our regular givers during lockdown. If you did not receive yours or have misplaced it please contact the office and we can arrange another for you.

#### CHOIR

The Sunday 8am Choir would be delighted to welcome new members. Practice is in the Choir Vestry at 7pm on Wednesdays - we would love to see you there!

#### **COMING UP:**

#### JULY

Sunday 5th Soup and Soulfood 4- 5:30pm

Lounge

Saturday 11th Midwinter Luncheon

Hall and Lounge

Sunday 26th Nativity Kids and Youth resume

Soup and Buns Fundraiser -

Lounge

#### **AUGUST**

Saturday 1st Bishops Ministry Team

10am - 3pm at Nativity

workshops for all

(more information to come)

Saturday 15th Organ Concert at Nativity

#### **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

If you run out of offertory envelopes at any time, please contact the office and we will organise some for you. All envelopes with your giver number will be allocated to your total giving.

#### **CONTACT US**



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#### THE BIBLE PROJECT

The summary video used in the Sunday 10am service comes from the <u>Bible Project</u>. Summaries of the whole bible are available to view on YouTube if you want more!

#### **OUR STAFF AND PARISH LEADERS**

Priest in Charge Sue Howarth & Joe Keighley

Assistant Priests Kaye Dyer John Neal

> Miriam Taylor Kevin Thompson

Administrator Kathy Taylor
Parish Nurse Raewyn Parkes
Receptionist Rosalind Mundy
Counselling Kathy Hammond

Chaplain to the Elderly Alison Brice
Oversight to Care Cells Jo Danks/Sue Howarth

Vicar's Warden Stephen Sheat People's Warden Jennifer Benne

People's Warden
Prayer Facilitators
Prayer Chain

Jennifer Bennett-Burrows
Jane Sheat & Jan Burrough
Jane Sheat & Raewyn Parkes

The office will be open on Mondays - Wednesdays from 9am -1pm and on Thursdays and Fridays from 9am - 12:00pm.

Outside these hours please leave a note or message via phone or e-mail and we will get back to you.