



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



THEME: Evangelism for normal people

Nathan Hughes PREACHER:

Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my **SENTENCE:**

blood abide in me, and I in them."

COLLECT: Holy God, grant us grace to receive you without

resistance, fear or pride; that we might fully know that we are your people. May we truly love, not only our friends, but also our enemies, following the commandment of love. 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



SERMON NOTES/ DOODLE SPACE

PARISH PRAYER POINTS

Please pray for:

- Give praise that there is an excitement for new ministers in the region.
- Pray that Joe and Susan (Regional Deans) can network them into a collegial community well
- Thank you for the work of our Parish Nurse in our parishes and the community
- Pray for guidance for her as she goes about her day but also as she negotiates her role amongst four parishes.



Lord may you be glorified in all we do; may we all be open to the opportunities that you place before us. May we be continually amazed at how you minister through creation and through your church. Amen

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember to add your prayer requests to the box in the foyer. 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.

NEWS AND EVENTS

NZ CMS AGM

NZ CMS AGM and prayer meeting: **Sunday 15th August** starting with a cuppa at **3pm** followed by the AGM and prayer. All welcome.

MUSIC AND SHARED MEAL

There is to be a shared meal and musical items from some of the local RSE workers from 6pm on **Saturday 28th of August** in the Nativity Hall.

This relaxed evening will feature items from some Ni-Van string bands and singers.

Please contact the office to register your interest in attending this evening and, if you are able, bring a generous dish to help feed the RSE men on the night.

BAPTISM/CONFIRMATION /DISCIPLESHIP



If you are interested in being baptised and/or confirmed or would like to be part of an intentional discipleship program, there will be a meeting **following the 10am service on September 5th** at the front of the church. All welcome.

AGLOW CONFERENCE

The Aglow South Pacific Conference will be held in Wellington from 10 - 12th September at the Atura Hotel. Full cost including meals and accommodation \$350. This is expected to be a wonderful time of teaching, worship, ministry, and fellowship, with a great lineup of speakers. You can also join the conference via Zoom. For more details contact Sheryll Gwynne. Ph. 5776507 or 0210791981

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY

Are you interested in being a Christians Against Poverty (CAP) Money Coach? Please email or speak to Glen for more details. Training provided.

MISSIONS GIVING



Just a reminder that you can continue to give specifically to missions via envelope or direct credit BUT you will not receive a tax rebate on this as a large portion of this money goes overseas.

You may instead choose to give directly to the church as a general or specific donation (**code 1180** followed by what this is for) who pay to the Anglican Missions Board on your behalf. For more information please contact the office.

BLUE DOOR AGM

The Blue Door will be holding their AGM on **Thursday the 19th of August from 12:30pm.** All are welcome to attend. Lunch included.

HEALING HORTICULTURE

This 6-week course is designed for those interested in learning about basic gardening or who just need a bit of love, compassion, and support.

It will cover learning, doing, sharing, and reflecting along with practical horticulture.

Dates: Thursdays 26 August - 30 September 2

Venue: Barnies (St Barnabas Chapel) **Time:** 7 pm – 9.30 pm **Cost:** Koha only

For more information or to register please see our noticeboard or Nativity Facebook group, or contact Don Cross at doncross@xtra.co.nz ·

COMING UP:

AUGUST

Fridays **Link**

1:00pm - Lounge Tunes for Tots

9:30am - Hall and Lounge

Monday 16th & Care & Share

30th 9:30am - Lounge

Wednesday 25th Intercessory Prayer Meeting

4:00pm - Barnies

Sunday 15th CMS Prayer Meeting

4:00pm - Nativity Lounge

Monday 23rd Nativity Prayer

5:30pm - Lounge

Thursday 26th **Healing Horticulture (week1/6)**

7:00pm-9:30pm - Barnies

Saturday 28th **Shared meal and musical items**

6:00pm - Nativity Centre

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)

NATIVITY CONTACT DETAILS

Vicar: Rev. Glen Ashworth

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Receptionist: Rosalind Mundy

Mon - Wed & Friday 9am-2:30pm

Parish Kathy Taylor

Administrator: Tues - Thurs 9am-2:30pm

All can also be contacted via the office

(please see details above)

NEXT SUNDAY
Glen Ashworth
'Burning Questions'
Thinking
Christianity