

28TH AUGUST - 3RD OF SEPTEMBER 2022



# 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:** Our Struggle
- PREACHER:** Rev. Glen Ashworth
- READINGS:** Ephesians 6:10–20 & Luke 10:17-20
- SENTENCE:** “For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness.”  
*Ephesians 6:12*
- 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.*

# Welcome

NOTES/ART

## SPRING FLOWER FESTIVAL



We will be celebrating the start of Spring with a Spring Flower Festival on **Sunday 11th of September**. The floral art team will be decorating the church with baskets of flowers showcasing the beauty of creation around us. You may also like to contribute a basket of flowers to add to the decoration of the church and everyone is encouraged to bring a small bouquet of flowers to be taken to those in rest homes or who find it harder to get out and see this beauty in nature.

If you have any questions please contact Vivienne James (03) 578 8985  
(midday or evenings are best).

## 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.

# NEWS AND EVENTS

## AAW

The next AAW meeting will be on **Wednesday the 7th of September at 1:30pm** in the Nativity Lounge with a special guest Community Constable Russell Smith. He is happy to take your questions about community safety and security. All are welcome (both men and women)!

## COMBINED SERVICE

The local Blenheim Ministers Association are hosting a combined Blenheim Christian church service at Elim (26 Burleigh Road, Redwoodtown, Blenheim) on **Sunday the 11th of September from 7pm** all are welcome to attend.

## SYNOD SERVICE

Marlborough is hosting the Nelson Anglican SYNOD this year and as a part of that Nativity will host the service on **Thursday the 22nd of September**. All are welcome to attend this special service from 7pm.

## HEALING HORTICULTURE



The current Healing Horticulture course is now well underway. Please remember to pray for those leading and supporting the course and also the participants.

The next course is due to start on the 19th of October so please encourage those you feel may benefit from this to join in. Any queries contact Don Cross (577 6863 or doncross@xtra.co.nz)

## MATTHEW 25 CHALLENGE



Next month (**11th- 18th of September**) we are all encouraged to take on the Matthew 25 challenge inspired by World Vision. Our vicar, Rev. Glen Ashworth will be preaching on this and there will be resources available to support home groups and individuals. Sign up now for the daily text messages during the challenge. Just text your first name to 2060 and you will be on your way (printed resources will also be available if you prefer).

## STAMPS FOR MISSIONS

Margaret Jarman sent stamps to K. Frampton for the first time and asked him for some feedback. He doesn't always have time to acknowledge receipt of stamps but assured me that albums, collections and special envelopes are welcome. So, thank you and please continue to put stamps in the box in the foyer, give them to Margaret or send them directly to K. Frampton, 17 Kensington Avenue, Petone, Lower Hutt 5012.

## COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER:

Fridays	<b>Link</b> 1pm Hall/lounge <b>Tunes for Tots</b> 9:30am Hall
Mondays 5th & 19th	<b>Care and Share</b> 9:30am Hall
Wednesday 7th	<b>AAW Meeting</b> 1:30pm Lounge <b>Healing Horticulture</b> 7pm Barnies
Wednesdays 7th & 21st	<b>Intercessory Prayer Meeting</b> 4pm Barnies
Fridays 9th & 23rd	<b>Solid Rock</b> 6:30pm Lee St
Saturday 10th	<b>Huge Tool Sale</b> Nativity Hall 9:30am-12noon <b>Coffee Connections</b> 9:30am Raupō Café
Sunday 11th	<b>Combined BCMA service</b> Elim Centre 7pm
Thursday 22nd	<b>SYNOD service</b> Nativity 7pm
Sunday 18th	<b>CMS Prayer Meeting</b> Counselling Room
Saturday 24th	<b>Repair Café</b> 9am- 12 noon Crossroads

## NATIVITY CONTACT DETAILS

<b>Vicar:</b>	<b>Rev. Glen Ashworth</b> vicar@nativity.org.nz
<b>Receptionist:</b>	<b>Rosalind Mundy</b> info@nativity.org.nz Mon - Wed & Friday 9am-2:30pm
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<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>Roger Nicholls</b> treasurer@nativity.org.nz

*All can also be contacted via the office  
(please see details above)*

## CONTACT US



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## WEEKLY SERVICES

Sundays 8am	<b>Sung Eucharist Service</b> Church
Sundays 10am	<b>Family Communion</b> Church
Thursday 10am	<b>Eucharist Service</b> St Barnabas Chapel (Barnies)

NEXT SUNDAY

**Dion Mundy**

**"Giving"**

**8 & 10am**