

WEEK OF 11TH - 17TH 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: The parable of the Sheep and Goats

PREACHER: Rev. Glen Ashworth

READINGS: Matthew 25:31-46 & Revelation. 21:1-8

SENTENCE: "And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'" *Matthew 25:40*

COLLECT: Christ who reigns, you care for the least amongst us, give us courage to enact your gospel in all the world, that all people may see your glory. For you are alive and reign with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. *Amen.*

Welcome

NOTES/ART

ONLINE PRAYER WALL

Just a reminder that we have an online prayer wall that you can add to or access to pray over at any time. It can be found under the **"news"** tab alongside the notices and other helpful information. You can also add your prayers to the prayer box or contact the office or our prayer chain coordinators directly during the week.

<https://www.nativity.org.nz/prayer-wall.html>.

The screenshot shows a digital prayer wall interface. At the top, there are two buttons: a blue button with a plus sign and the text '+ Add prayer', and a blue button with a play icon and the text 'Watch'. Below these are two prayer request cards. The first card is from 'Scotty' posted '13 hours ago' and contains the text: 'Please pray for my Wife Sarah and I to reconcile our marriage and end our separation. I love my Wife and want our relationship to be better and stronger together, with a deeper level of emotional intimacy and communication. Thank you.' It has a heart icon with the number '1' and a 'Report prayer?' link. Below the card is a blue bar with the text 'AMEN!'. The second card is from 'Kathy' posted '3 months ago' and contains the text: 'Pray for those in our community who are unwell or isolating with Covid through this time and may not know how best to support them.' It also has a 'Report prayer?' link. Below this card is another blue bar with the text 'AMEN!'. At the bottom of the screenshot, a third card is partially visible, dated '3 months ago', with the text: 'Praise God that we are able to worship together this Sunday.' and a 'Report prayer?' link.

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

SPRING FLOWER FESTIVAL

On today, **Sunday the 11th of September!**
All are encouraged to bring and/or take away some flowers to brighten the day of another. Any remaining flowers will be taken to rest homes in the area.

ALPHA MARRIAGE

“Strong marriages/couples/partners make for strong happy Whanau”.

This is a Nativity outreach into our Marlborough community. This will be hosted from the Clubs of Marlborough from 11th October through to the 29th of November.

What can you do? How can you help?

- Can you pray?
- Can you offer some babysitting?
- Can you give some money ?
- Can you come ?

Everyone can do something.....

If you would like to know more please speak to Glen or one of the team:

Barry and Ruth Struthers (021 1452678) or Stephen and Nicci Leitch.

BEER APPRECIATION SOCIETY

Watch this space! Open to all men.


COMBINED SERVICE

On today - Sunday the 11th of September!
You are all invited to join in the combined Blenheim Ministers Association service to be held at Elim church, Burleigh Rd Blenheim this Sunday (**11th of September**) from **7pm**. This is a great opportunity to worship alongside other Christians of Marlborough.

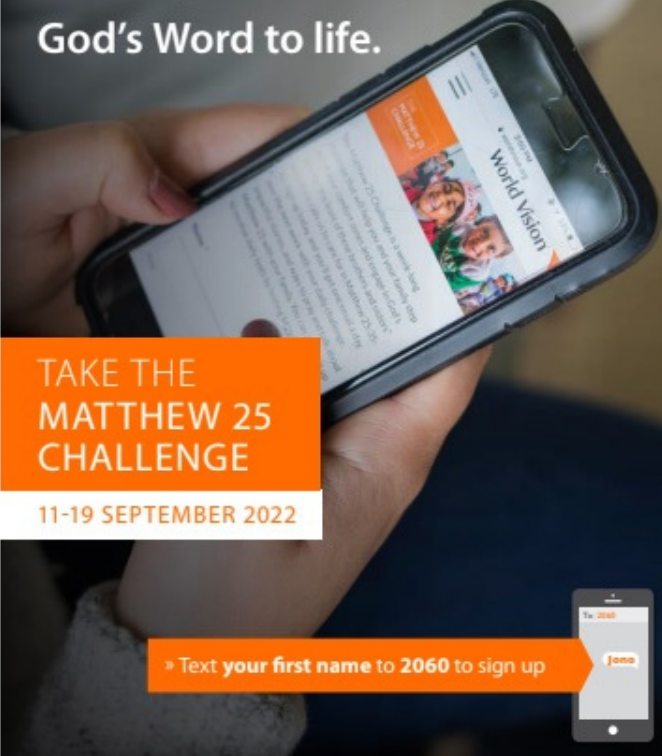
NATIVITY ROSTERS

Just a reminder that the service rosters are available on our website. Please note that this is the roster **as of date of publication** and will not include any further swaps made. For privacy reasons you must log in to use this part of the website .

MATTHEW 25 CHALLENGE



A week-long daily text challenge that brings God's Word to life.



TAKE THE MATTHEW 25 CHALLENGE

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» Text your first name to 2060 to sign up

Join

If you have not already, please sign up now for the daily text messages during the challenge and be sure to check our facebook page for other encouragement. Just text your first name to 2060 and you will be on your way (printed resources are also be available).

OFFICE CLOSED

Please note that the office will be closed for the week of the **3rd to the 10th of October** as the staff will be taking a break for some of the school holidays. Emergency contacts will be provided for this time.

COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER:

Fridays	Link 1pm Hall/lounge Tunes for Tots 9:30am Hall
Sunday 11th	Combined BCMA service Elim Centre 7pm
Monday 19th	Care and Share 9:30am Hall
Wednesdays	Healing Horticulture 7pm Barnies
Wednesday 21st	Intercessory Prayer Meeting 4pm Barnies
Friday 23rd	Solid Rock 6:30pm Lee St
Thursday 22nd	SYNOD service Nativity 7pm
Sunday 18th	CMS Prayer Meeting Counselling Room
Saturday 24th	Repair Café 9am- 12 noon Crossroads

CONTACT US



Monday - 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 vicar@nativity.org.nz
Receptionist:	Rosalind Mundy info@nativity.org.nz Mon - Wed & Friday 9am-2:30pm
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Treasurer:	Roger Nicholls treasurer@nativity.org.nz

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

NEXT SUNDAY

Rev. Glen Ashworth

**"The Shrewd
manager"**

8 & 10am