

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: After death to resurrection

PREACHER: Rev. John Neal

READINGS: 1 Corinthians 15: 35; 42 – 55 & Luke 24: 36 – 45

SENTENCE: "This is what I told you while I was still with you:

Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

Luke 24:44

COLLECT: God of the possible, and the impossible, when we

come to you with questions and struggle with your answers, grant us faith in believing as we await the treasure from heaven, which is your faithful promise. 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



NOTES/ART

PARISH PRAISE!

Thank God for:

- Our volunteers who help in so many ways seen and unseen
- Praise the Lord that we have such freedom to praise and proclaim Him as Lord. May we be faithful in all that He has placed before us.



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

BAKING NEEDED



We have an opportunity to show love for our Vanuatuan community. There are around 40 men in isolation, and also 140 who were packed and ready to go home, when their flight was cancelled. Jean Rooney is happy to collect baking and deliver it (contactless).

If you are able to help, please contact Jean on 021 893 179 or kenjeanrooney@xtra.co.nz

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Just a reminder that our Children & Youth programmes will be in recess until Sunday 7th November (the week after the picnic).

VESTRY UPDATE

The September vestry meeting was a follow up on previous matters and a continuation of the strategic visioning for our parish. The next meeting will be held on October 20th. Please continue to pray for our vestry in the decisions they make on our behalf.

OLIVE OIL

Thank you to those of you who purchased olive oil this year. \$1120 was raised for Nativity activities!

OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the Nativity office will be open Monday and Tuesdays between the hours of 9am and 2:30pm over the October School holidays (4th - 15th October 2021). Please leave a message outside of these hours and we will get back to you.

MISSION UPDATE

Corins (Central Asia)

The Corins are back in Blenheim and catching up with friends, family supporters. They arrived in Blenheim as level 4 lockdown struck but were able to have some time with the whole family as tertiary study moved from face- to face to online. As the restrictions lift the older children have gone off to study while Sophia and Ashton are attending Fairhall school. Chris and Catherine will be travelling around quite a bit during the weekends but are keen to meet with care cells and be a part of church life during the week. While they are on furlough they renovating their house and would love some help from the Nativity community please see last weeks pew sheet for ways that you can help.

PARISH PICNIC



We are planning another parish picnic at the home of Rod and Jenny Tyney after a combined service at 9am on Sunday the 31st of October. This is a chance to get together as a parish and have some fun with games and activities for all. Please let us know at the office or via the online form if you are intending to be there and if you would like to purchase sausages or burgers. These will be for sale at \$3/sausage and \$8/gourmet burgers. Extra will be available on the day but you are also welcome to bring your own picnic. All profits will go towards new chairs for the hall.

COMING UP:

OCTOBER

Saturday 9th **Coffee Connections**

9:30am Raupo

Monday 11th Care & Share

9:30am Lounge

Fridays Link

1pm Lounge

14th-16th SYNOD- Nelson

Monday 18th Nativity Prayer

5:30pm Lounge

Wednesday

20th

Intercessory Prayer meeting

4pm Barnies

Friday 22nd &

29th

Tunes for Tots 9:30am Hall

Sunday 31st 9

9am Combined service

11am Parish Picnic @ the Tyneys

- Morning tea
- BBQ lunch
- Games and more!

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

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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:

Raewyn Parkes

" The Kingdom of God"