

# 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:** Let's be radical!

**PREACHER:** Rev. Miriam Taylor

**READINGS:** Matthew 5: 43-48 & Mark 10:35-45

**SENTENCE:** Be perfect therefore as your heavenly Father is

perfect. Matthew 5:45

**COLLECT:** Listening God, you show us mercy and ask us what we

need. May we seek those things which increase our faith, and further your reign on earth as in heaven, so that we may follow you more closely. 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 PRAYER POINTS**

Please pray for:

- The filling of the role of 'Family Mission and Ministry Enabler'.
- Our combined service and Parish Picnic next week.
- Love and comfort for those who have recently lost loved ones.



# **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**

# **PARISH PICNIC**



The parish picnic will be held after a combined service at **9am next Sunday 31st October**. Please let us know at the office or via the <u>online form</u> 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. You are also welcome to bring your own picnic. *All profits will go towards new chairs for the hall*.

# **BIBLES**



We have second-hand bibles available at Nativity if you do not have one, are looking for a different translation, or would like to give one to a new Christian.

As we do not have a local Christian bookstore here in Blenheim, Nativity now has some children's and adults' bibles in stock that you may purchase from us (New Living Translation \$28 each or The Beginners Bible \$25 each). We are also happy to help you order from Bibles available online.

### AAW

There will be an AAW meeting on the **2nd November at 7.30pm**, Nativity lounge. All women welcome!

# **NATIVITY FAMILY**

We have several areas where our volunteers are stretched, and it would be helpful to have some new volunteers so that the many hands do make the "work" light.

If you are interested please speak to Glen or Roz or have a chat with someone already involved. We encourage you to consider areas such as

- **service assistance** (eg. reading, sides duty, technology)
- children and youth ministry and hospitality/morning teas
- brass, linen, and flower care.

#### 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 November 7th** at the front of the church. All welcome.

## SHAVE FOR BISHOPDALE COLLEGE

Marge Tefft, vicar of the Greymouth & Kumara Parish needs a haircut and has decided to use this opportunity as a fundraiser. She aims to raise \$100,000 for BTC. Each dollar you donate to "Shave for Bishopdale College" received by Thurs 25 Nov 2021 counts as one vote for either a "Normal" or "Buzz" cut. Weekly updates will appear in diocesan Kōrero. Please make donations online to:

Name: Holy Trinity Church Account No: 03-0846-0012777-00

Particulars: "Shave 4 BTC"

Code: either "Normal" or "Buzz"

Please see the noticeboard for more information.

# **COMING UP:**

# OCTOBER

Friday **Link** 

1pm Lounge

Tunes for Tots 9:30am Hall

Monday 25th Labour Day - office closed

Thursday 28th MAF meeting

7:30pm Barnies

Sunday 31st **9am Combined service** 

Church and Hall

11am Parish Picnic @ the Tyneys

- Morning tea
- BBQ lunch
- Games and more!

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

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

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

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

**Next Sunday:** 

**Combined service** 

"Why do we, or should we, come to church?"