

WEEK OF 18TH-25TH MARCH 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:** Judgement is Coming
- PREACHER:** Rev. Glen Ashworth
- READINGS:** 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 & Luke 13:1-9
- SENTENCE:** These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. *1 Corinthians 10:11-12*
- COLLECT:** May God our Creator, walk with us during this season of Lent. May we enter more deeply into the passion of Jesus and come to depend more completely on his Spirit, that we may live a life that shines with the light of the resurrected Christ. *Amen.*



LENTEN MISSIONS APPEAL

Anglican Missions have a special appeal for lent this year. This year they have chosen the Rwenzori Special Needs Foundation in Uganda, the Water and Sanitation Project in the Solomon Islands, and the Children's Health and Awareness initiative in Egypt.

You can give by

- a donation straight into the Anglican Missions bank account: 02-0585 0001796-00 with 'Lent 22' OR the name of the project as the reference
- or mark your church giving envelope as **missions**.

If you have any further questions about this particular cause you can contact Anglican missions at info@angmission.co.nz or for account enquiries, accounts@angmissions.org.nz

PRAYER FOCUS CHILDREN (UGANDA)

The prayer focus for week 3 is the children of Uganda.

*Whakatō te kākano aroha i roto i o tatou
taitamariki kei puawai i roto tō rātou
tupuranga aranui oranga.*

*Plant the seed of love in our children and
they will blossom, grow, and journey
towards the best pathway of life.*

Amen

tearfund

Did you know that more than 70% of Ukrainians identify as Christian?

Join us in prayer for the people of Ukraine, asking for peace and an end to this brutal war.

The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Psalm 9:9

SUPPORT THIS WORK AND DONATE TODAY
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PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember to add your prayer requests to the box in the **foyer of the Nativity Centre**. 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

UPDATE FROM TUCKERS

Greetings,

Life continues fairly quietly here. There are some areas of tight control and other areas of "almost normal" life but overall, there is general discouragement for gatherings or non-essential travel. General lethargy is a problem for many, and the challenges are even more acute for students who cannot access laboratories for completing their research. Wayne is regaining weight and building up his fitness again, having recovered from pneumonia. We're looking forward to getting outdoors more as the weather warms.

There's a lot going on around the world that can be unsettling, but be assured, life is continuing steadily in our little corner of Asia.

Bronwyn and Wayne (edited)

NB. They plan to return to New Zealand later in the year so please pray for them as they plan for this and the future in general.

HOPE PROJECT



We have a number of copies of the latest Hope Project booklets available from the office or the back of church.

One will be delivered to every mailbox in the country but this is your chance to have a read and have one handy for conversations with your friends and neighbours. To see more or to see digital copies of previous editions with information our New Zealand Christian heritage on hope in Jesus see:

<https://hopeproject.co.nz/about-hope-project>

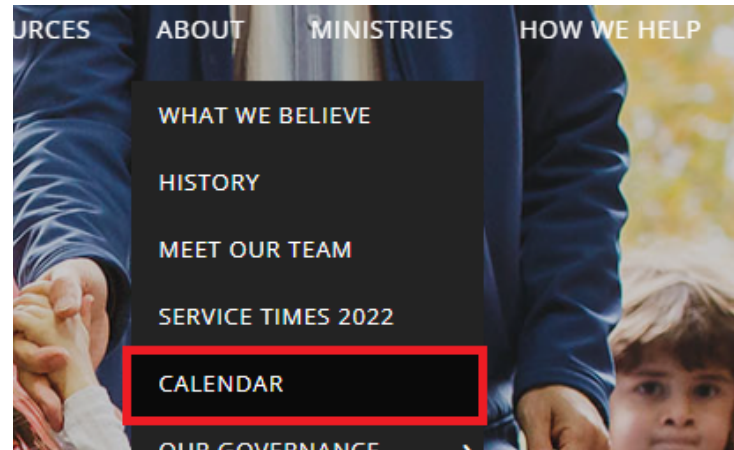
SWAN PLANTS?



Our lovely Rose Francis is currently caring for monarch caterpillars and eggs to keep safe from paper wasps.

She has asked if anyone has any branches of swan plants for feeding them. Any donor can phone her on 5777-454 or email her at llamafarmer@xtra.co.nz.

NATIVITY WEBSITE



Just a reminder that we have a **Nativity Calendar** on our website that allows you to have a look and see what events are happening. To find it see "[Calendar](#)" under the "About" heading. Please let the office know if there are any changes to be made.

There are also special resources available for small groups including house church liturgies and information. Paper copies of these and other study resources such as leader guides and DVDs are also available through the office so please come in to have a look.

"SOLID ROCK" POSTPONED



Due to Covid outbreaks in the community, we have decided to postpone our Kids Solid Rock Friday night gathering until further notice. Watch this space for when we may resume again!

COMING UP IN MARCH:

Thursdays	Healing Horticulture 7pm Barnies (NVP)
Fridays	Link 1pm - Hall/lounge (NVP)
Monday 28th	Care and Share 9:30am Hall (VP)
Wednesday 23rd	Intercessory Prayer 4pm Barnies (NVP)
Sunday 20th	CMS prayer meeting 4pm Lounge (NVP)
Saturday 26th	Repair Café 9:30- 12noon Crossroads

EASTER AT NATIVITY

We have are planning services for Easter week
- watch this space for more in coming weeks!!

NVP - No vaccine pass required (limit 25)
VP - Please show vaccination certificate

NATIVITY CONTACT DETAILS

Vicar:	Rev. Glen Ashworth vicar@nativity.org.nz
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*All can also be contacted via the office
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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sundays 9am

Livestream service via
website or YouTube

NEXT SUNDAY

Rev. Glen Ashworth

Luke15

via prerecorded
or Livestream