



The Church of the Nativity

Sunday 17th November 2019

Our Mission is ...

To draw people to faith in Christ

To grow people in their commitment to Christ

To reach out beyond ourselves with the love of Christ

Bishops Charge to Synod 2019 continued...

The Challenge is for us to pray in, notice, call out and find the budding leaders who are right under our noses, to identify potential and call out their gifts and journey with them.

In one of the staff teams I worked with, we would have a list of people we were praying for whom we considered potential leaders or people worth watching or investing in. You could sometimes notice who these were because they hang around you a lot, were keen to serve, took initiative, had positive influence on others, were teachable.

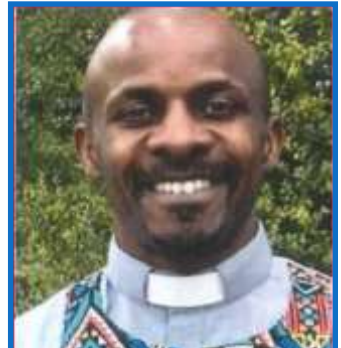
How might this look like?

I think the need is to create an ethos of multiplication and explore what our leadership pipeline will look like. A place to start is the internship programme at BTC which I reckon is a fantastic opportunity to train your leaders and for people to test vocations in ministry. Who could you send to BTC next year?

When we view our population profile, most of our Diocesan family members are older and our total annual attendances in churches is falling. But the "good news," is that we can work out how to mobilise this resource of elderly passion and experience to mentor the younger leaders. Young people can work alongside these experienced faithful people in our family, providing energy and enthusiasm.

We have this great treasure of faith passed on from generation to generation. We must not let it die under our watch. What role will you play in raising up the next generation of leaders to fulfil God's purposes?

Bishop Steve.



Welcome to our services today! 17th November 2019

Theme: Digging Wells

Readings: Psalm 1 & 2 Corinthians 4:13-18

Sentence: So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. *2 Corinthians 4: 18*



Collect: God our end, as the sun of righteousness rises with healing in its wings, save us in our time of trial, so that we do not succumb, but endure in your eternal embrace; through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Items of Interest

Holy Spirit Seminar

Session 3, Wed. 13th Nov. 7:30pm in Barnies

Wed. 20th Nov. No DVD but meet in Care Cell Venue, usual time and place.

Sessions 4-6, Wed. 27th Nov., Tues, 3rd Dec., and Wed. 11th Dec., are in Barnies 7.30pm.



Expressions of interest are invited to form a joint Anglican-Catholic Gospel sharing social group. For interest and exploration please contact Graham Mansfield on ph. 570 5018 preferably mid-afternoons to evenings.

Nativity Office hours: As of December the 1st, Nativity Office will be open

Monday-Friday 9am-2:30pm. All business will need to be attended to during these hours as there will be no-one in attendance outside these hours.



Copies of sermon series of "Living Below with the Saints We Know" and "The Anointing" series in booklet form are available at the back of the church for a donation of \$2 to cover printing cost. Place donation in the little box provided.

Have you done it yet? The Parish Directory and Parish Roll copy is in the foyer. Please check we have your details correct and sign if you wish to go on the Parish Roll. To go on the Parish electoral roll you must be baptised, have been at Nativity for at least 4 months and attend church on a regular basis.

Jan is retiring! We would like to bless Jan, our Receptionist Extraordinaire, with a gift to thank her for many years of wonderful and selfless service. If you would like to contribute financially to this gift, please place this in the offertory bag in an envelope marked "Kathy", or else you may give this to our Parish Administrator, Kathy Taylor, directly.

Jan's Joy: Blessings crown the head of the righteous.
Proverbs 10:6



Orphans Aid appeal:
needs collectors 22nd
and 23rd of November.
If you can spare an hour
or two please contact
Jeanette Silva phone
579 1045 or 0211205844



Olive Oil \$20/bottle available from the office.

Coming up:

Senior Luncheon Saturday 23rd of November 2019 Please register at the office for catering purposes and if transport is needed.

Last Pastoral Care meeting for the year is Thursday 28th November 11am to noon in the Nativity lounge.

Taizé service 1st December 4pm in Barnies—all welcome.

Family BBQ lunch Sunday December 1st, in conjunction with Jan's farewell. A fun family outing and farewell to Jan, our Receptionist Extraordinaire.

Convergence family camp 14th-16th February 2020: Please see the back of church or the office for a brochure.

NZ CMS Mission partner Dianne Bayley in children's ministry in the Philippines will speak at a shared meal at St Christopher's at 5.30 pm on Friday 29 November. All welcome.

Morning tea rosters: Margaret Jarman is preparing the Morning Tea roster for Dec. 1 - Jan 12. Could regular helpers please let her know if you are unavailable on your regular dates.



What's on this week:

- Tues:** 2pm Afternoon Care Cell in the lounge
- Wed:** 4pm Prophetic Intercessory Prayer in Barnies
- 7pm Misfits in the shed
- 7pm Choir practice in the church
- 7:30pm Holy Spirit seminar in Barnies
- Thurs:** 10am Eucharist in Barnies
- Fri:** 9.30am Tunes for Tots in the hall
- 1pm LINK in the lounge
- Sat:** 12noon Seniors Luncheon in the lounge
- Sun:** 8am Traditional Eucharist Service
- 10am Family Service
- 5.30pm Canvas in the hall



St Basil of Caesarea

Steer the ship of my life, good Lord, to your quiet harbour, where I can be safe from the storms of sin and conflict. Show me the course I should take.

Renew in me the gift of discernment, so that I can always see the right direction in which I should go.

And give me the strength and the courage to choose the right course, even when the sea is rough and the waves are high, knowing that through enduring hardship and danger, in your name, we shall find comfort and peace. Amen.

Basil – Greek Bishop 330-379

A prayer for guidance.

- What is the purpose of the prayer?
- What does it teach/affirm about God?
- What response is it seeking from God?
- How might this prayer change the person praying?



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