



The Church of the Nativity

Sunday 3rd 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

Continued From the Bishop's Charge to Synod 2019.

I have 3 Priorities for the New Season

2: Discipleship

That discipleship would be a key feature of ministry. It's encouraging that a number of teams across the Diocese are participating in the Good Soil Collective. I know that's one model and doesn't necessarily suit everyone. However, whatever model of discipleship you prefer or are working with, the question is:- What is it and is it raising disciples?

Who are you discipling?

How do you identify those to disciple/invest in?

Pray for God's leading and look for those 'people of peace' around you.

When I was with the navigators, we had an acronym for 'potential disciples'- FAT- Faithful, Available, Teachable.

Often these might be people who have potential to influence others.

People who notice what needs to be done and get on with it.

What can you do if discipleship journey is something you want to explore further? Doing life with others and sharing what God's teaching you and how that's impacting your life, and decisions is perhaps a good start.

My daughter was about to sit her restricted driver's test last week, so we went out for a practice run and I noticed she was driving about two km above the speed limit. I realised she had learned it from me. Ouch!

What are people imitating from you?



To be continued next week...

Welcome to our services today! 3rd November 2019

Theme: 8am: God Likes
10am: Something to brag about - Family Service

Readings: 8am: Isaiah 1:10-18 & Luke 19:1-10
10am: Psalm 32:1-7 & 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4,11-12

Sentence: For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost. *Luke 19:10*



Collect: Banqueting God, unworthy though we are you call us to your table; may we rejoice in your presence, and share your bounty abundantly with others; through Jesus, the Bread of Life, who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Items of Interest

If you want to be involved in any Pastoral Care areas contact Jan at the office or Jane Sheat.

Care & Share: Next meeting Monday 11th Nov., 9.30am to 11.30am in the lounge. Come and join us, bring a friend

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.

AAW Meeting: 7.30pm Wednesday 6th November. The Annual General Meeting will be chaired by Rev. Capt. Richard Dyer. Devotions, sales table, supper.

Have you done it yet? 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.

You're invited to a gathering at Parliament on Wednesday 13 November against the End of Life Choice (euthanasia and assisted suicide) bill. It will be Parliament's final vote. Please arrange leave and come if at all possible. Transport assistance may be available. It's also important to contact MPs with your view on the bill's amendments. For more information, go to euthanasiadebate.org.nz or phone 0800 42 76 42



Jan's Joy: *Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!*

Psalm 32:11



Our beloved 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.

Family BBQ lunch Sunday
 December 1st, in conjunction with Jan's farewell.
 We plan to have a fun family outing and farewell Jan, our Receptionist Extraordinaire with a memorable occasion. Arrangement details on the notice board. Diary it now.



Coffee Connections at Raupo
 Saturday 10th November 9.30am.
 Ladies come and enjoy a coffee and the company of other women. Bring a friend.



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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 followed by
- 11am Morning tea in Barnies
- Fri:** 9.30am Tunes for Tots in the hall
- 1pm LINK in the lounge
- Sat:** 9.30am Coffee Connections at Raupo
- Sun:** 8am Traditional Eucharist Service
- 10am Family Service
- 5.30pm Canvas in the hall



The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

Lord...

We thank you for your church, founded upon your Word, that challenges us to do more than sing and pray, but go out and work as though the very answer to our prayers depended on us and not upon you.

Help us to realize that humanity was created to shine like the stars and live on through all eternity.

Keep us, we pray, in perfect peace.

Help us to walk together, pray together, sing together, and live together until that day when all God's children — Black, White, Red, Brown and Yellow — will rejoice in one common band of humanity in the reign of our Lord and of our God, we pray. Amen.

- 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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