



The Church of the Nativity

Sunday 9th June 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

As we celebrate Pentecost today and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit let us allow the Spirit to cause us to really party and celebrate this amazing demonstration of his life between us by the way we get on together. A couple of weeks ago in the current sermon series, we talked about the two types of 'one another' statements in the bible. We saw that we were to support one another seven times more often than we are to correct. Today we are going to look at the five key supportive 'one another' statements in the bible. They are to:

Honour one another - *'Honour one another above yourselves'* (Romans 12:10).

Forgive one another - *'Forgive one another, just as in Christ God forgave you'* (Ephesians 4:32).

Encourage one another - *'Therefore encourage one another and build each other up'* (1 Thessalonians 5:11).

Accept one another - *'Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you'* (Romans 15:7).

Love one another - *'A new command I give you: Love one another'* (John 13:34).

As we consider these five aspects of relationships, think of a flower garden and all that work together to create its beauty:

The sun – shining down, bringing light & warmth, revealing its beauty ('honouring one another').

The rain - falling, refreshing, washing off dust and particles. ('forgiving one another').

The fertilisers – bringing nutrients, creating growth ('encouraging one another').

The bees moving from flower to flower – of little concern to them is the colour of the flower, whether it's a daffodil or a rhododendron, how tall the plant is or whether it comes from South America or South Africa ('accepting one another').

The soil - the basis of it all, the foundation and place from which all of the life of the garden originates ('loving one another').

What an amazing church life we would have if we grew strong in these five qualities of Christian character. This is exactly what Jesus is praying for in John 17.

Go well and blessings, Richard



Welcome to our services today! 9th June 2019

Theme: Let's Party!

Readings: Acts 2:1-21 & Matthew 5:1-16

Sentence: 'A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you', says the Lord; 'I will put my spirit within you and you shall live.'
Ezekiel 36:26;37:14



Collect: Eternal God, as of fire, forging, purging, all-consuming: let your Spirit touch us; purge us from the dress of sin and self; that we may tell your glory in the furnace of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Items of Interest

A special thank you to the lads who attend "Misfits". They have been very productive and made 4 litres of Pumpkin soup from their harvest.

This proportioned out to 6 containers of soup for Foodbank Emergency Meals.

Great job "Misfits" this is very much appreciated.

The Parish car is for sale. The 2001 Honda Stream is in good going order and no longer required by the parish. \$1000 ono. Offers of interest can be made to the wardens or Richard Dyer.

She Shops June 15th to Elim Centre 26 Burleigh Road. Clothes drop off Mon 10th-Thurs.13th June 9am-5pm. Women's clothing, shoes and accessories only. \$2 entry, \$1 per item. All proceeds go to Marlborough Migrant Centre.

Rest Home services - this is a vital service we provide to those that are unable to come to church. If you are able to help can you please contact Alison Brice or Beverley Kingston through the Church office.

New data projector for in the church.

A fundraising Dinner at the Bamboo Garden is planned for Tuesday 2nd July. \$35p.p. Seats are limited. Be in quick. Tickets will be available from Reception during office hours from Tuesday 4th June. Please bring correct amounts of money.

Winter Fellowship. 'Soup, Savoury, Bun Lunch' The next soup day will be Sunday 23rd June. \$5pp or \$15 per family. Diary it now and we will see you there. Come and join your church family for conversations of eternal value.

Many thanks to the wonderful team of knitters and helpers from community, churches, rest homes, groups and individuals who contributed to the 9 bales and 4 boxes sent away. There were 225 blankets, 133 hat/scarves sets, 285 hats only, 246 jerseys 86 sox and slippers. Not to mention the soft toys, stationary, linen, sewing materials and donations of \$588.60. Most sincerely, **Ruth & Darrell Buckley and Jean Drake.**



Jan's Joy: Satisfy us in the morning with your unflinching love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days. Psalm 90:14

MARLBOROUGH ANGLICAN CHURCHES

TOGETHER IN WORSHIP

FRIDAY
21
JUNE

The coming together of
Marlborough Anglican
churches to worship, &
celebrate the living God.

NATIVITY 7PM

Organised by Marlborough Anglican Ministries

What's on this week:

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| Wed: | 4pm | Prophetic Intercessory Prayer in Barnies |
| | 7pm | Misfits in Barnies |
| | 7pm | Choir Practice in the church |
| Thurs: | 10am | Eucharist in Barnies |
| Fri: | 9.30am | Tunes for Tots in the hall |
| | 1pm | LINK in the lounge |
| Sun: | 8am | Traditional Eucharist Service |
| | 10am | Family Service |
| | 4pm | CMS meeting in the counselling room |
| | 5.30pm | Canvas in the hall |



If you would like to join a care cell, Chris and Susanne Donaldson
are our care cell co-ordinators Phone 5783909

Prayer Focus

Martin Luther once said “You can’t keep the birds from flying over your head, but you can keep them from building a nest in your hair.”

Mon. Temptation is inevitable, but how you deal with it, is a matter of personal choice. God’s Word gives us principles to help us dealing with temptation.

Tues. Everything is permissible for us, but not everything is beneficial.
1 Corinthians 6:12

Wed. Everything is permissible for me. but I will not be mastered by anything.
1 Corinthians 6:12

Thurs. I need to ask myself “will my actions cause my brother to stumble or fall into sin?”

Fri. Whatever you do, do it for the glory of God. Am I doing this to honour the Lord, or to promote myself ?

Sat. Watch and pray that you enter not into temptation. Matthew 26:41

Prayer Ministry: We have people willing to meet with you outside of church service times. If you are in need of more in-depth prayer ministry, speak to any of the clergy, Jane Sheat (5789004) Prayer Facilitator, or ring the office and they can arrange this for you.

Prayer Chain: Jane Sheat is our Prayer Chain Coordinator while Raewyn is away. Please phone her on (5789004), or Jan on 5783909, with any requests you have for the prayer chain.

Our Staff and Parish Leaders

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