

SUNDAY 15TH MARCH 2020



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

Sharing Hope



OUR SERVICES TODAY

- THEME:** Questions that work
- READINGS:** Romans 5:1-11 & John 4:5-14
- SENTENCE:** But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
Romans 5:8
- COLLECT:** Holy Spirit of God, you blow where you will. Blow once more through us your chosen people. Enliven us with your power, and move us with your strength, that we might be born of the Spirit into eternal life. With the Father and the Son, you live and reign, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Welcome

SERMON NOTES

FOR OUR NEW VICAR

Almighty God, Lord of the harvest, we are mindful that your Son our Saviour commanded us to pray for labourers to work in the ripe harvest fields. We bring before you our parish and its need for a new leader, and ask that your Holy Spirit will so direct the Nominators that they may be led to the person of your choice, and that such a person may, also by the power of the Holy Spirit, be convinced that this parish is where you wish them to serve you. Lord God, we pray for ourselves that we might be faithfully and fruitfully led, and we pray for the person you have in mind for us that they may know your grace is sufficient for them, and that together, we may go forward in love, in worship, in mission and in service to the praise and glory of your name. We ask through Christ our Lord.

Amen

GROW US YOUR CHURCH

Pray that our congregation might build on what Richard and Kaye are sharing so that we can listen to God and share the hope that we have in Him to those who are the least, the lost and the lonely.



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY

4pm Intercessory Prayer (Barnies)
7pm Choir practice (Church) **1pm**



THURSDAY

10am Eucharist Service & Morning tea (Barnies)
School Mums group (Barnies)

FRIDAY

9:30am Tunes 4 Tots (Hall)
1pm Link (Lounge)

SUNDAY

8am Sung Eucharist Service
10am Family Communion
5:30pm Canvas (Hall)

NEWS AND EVENTS

MUSIC TEAM

If you are interested in being a part of our music team at one of our services, have a chat to Roz in the office or see one of the music team.

NZ CMS PRAYER MEETING

NZ CMS Prayer meeting **TODAY** in the counselling room between **4-5pm**. All welcome.

CANVAS OUTREACH

Tonight from **5:30pm** in the hall, CANVAS will be holding a brainstorming session to look at specific ways to help groups and individuals in the community. All welcome to join.

NATIVITY AGM

Our AGM is coming up on **Monday 23rd March**. Please mark this on your calendar now! Nomination forms for positions on vestry, synod and peoples' warden are available from the church foyer. Nominations must be returned to the Vicar by **TODAY!!**

FLOWER ARRANGING

Barbara Higgins will give a demonstration of flowers for this time of year and helpful hints at St. Christophers' Hall (back entrance) from **2-4pm Thursday 19th of March**. Afternoon tea provided. Cost \$2. Anyone interested is most welcome to attend.

Any queries contact Vivienne James 578 8985.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Combined Mens Breakfast. **Saturday 28th March 8am** at the Foundry. Cost \$15pp (U16\$10) Speaker Levi McGrath. Please register your interest at the office before Thursday 26th March.

HOPE PROJECT

There are HOPE project booklets available at the back of church for you to have readily available (in your handbag, glove box, inside the front door etc.) to allow you to share about New Zealand history, hope and faith with people in the course of conversation. Please take one or two to share with those you interact with day to day to help in sharing the message of hope!

COMING UP:

MARCH

Every Thursday **The Blessing Course** (Lenten Studies) - 7:30pm in Barnies
Monday 23rd **Parish AGM** 7pm in the church
Monday 30th **Morning prayer** - all welcome
Tuesday 31st **Morning prayer** - all welcome

APRIL

Wednesday 1st **Morning prayer** - all welcome
Monday - Friday
more information to come.
Thursday 2nd **Lenten Prayer** - 7:30pm in Barnies
Thursday 9th **Lenten Prayer** - 7:30pm in Barnies
Tenebrae Service - 7pm in main church
Friday 10th **Combined Good Friday Service**
- 10am ASB Theatre
Sunday 12th **Easter Sunday Services** 8 & 10am
Easter Sunday Outreach - CANVAS

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Mon-Fri 9am - 2:30pm



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COVID-19

If you have any concerns please read the insert from last weeks pew sheet (available on-line) or contact the Heathline 0800 611 116 or 0800 3585453.

OUR STAFF AND PARISH LEADERS

Priest in Charge
Assistant Priests

Administrator
Parish Nurse
Receptionist
Counselling
Chaplain to the Elderly
Oversight to Care Cells
Vicar's Warden
People's Warden
Prayer Facilitators
Prayer Chain

Richard Dyer
Kaye Dyer
John Neal
Miriam Taylor
Kevin Thompson
Kathy Taylor
Raewyn Parkes
Rosalind Mundy
Kathy Hammond
Alison Brice
Kaye Dyer
Stephen Sheat
Jennifer Bennett-Burrows
Jane Sheat & Jan Burrough
Jane Sheat & Raewyn Parkes