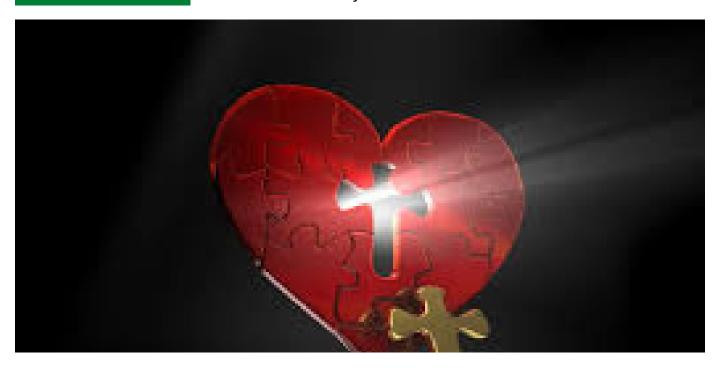


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OUR MISSION IS TO:

- DRAW people to faith in Christ
- GROW people in their commitment to Christ
- REACH OUT beyond ourselves with the love of Christ



THEME: Hosea 8am /Solomon, Elijah 10am

Hosea 1:2-3 & 3:1-5 and John 14:1-7 8am **READINGS:**

1 Kings 9:1-9 & 11:6-13 10am

SENTENCE: "Come let us return to the Lord, that we may live

before Him. " Hosea 6:1a-2b

COLLECT:

Loving God, yours is the vineyard and the harvest. Help us to recognise the one you send and to follow him. Make us willing workers in your vineyard, so that we may offer you an abundant harvest. Through Jesus Christ our Liberator, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen



SERMON NOTES

KIDS CORNER

WHAT DID YOUNG KING SOLOMON ASK GOD FOR? WHAT ABOUT US?



FAMILIES DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Please pray for families in New Zealand who are currently in school holiday time. Pray that this will be a time of enjoyment and refreshment and that they will be given hope and reassurance where there are stressful situations.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please do remember to add your prayer requests to the box in the foyer. A pen and paper is provided. These will be collected each week to be prayed over.

Raewyn Parkes (c/o 578 3909) or 022-0786902 and Jane Sheat (578-9004) are our are our Prayer Chain Coordinators. Please phone them with any requests you have for the prayer chain during the week.

NEWS AND EVENTS

SPRING PARISH PICNIC

A Parish picnic is planned for **Sunday 18th October** at the property of Rod and Jenny Tyney after a combined **9am** service at Nativity. You can bring your own or order on our website or at the office(Sausage\$2, burgers \$5 (Small or \$8 (Large)!

SCARECROW COMPETITION

St Andrews are holding a garden tour on the **17th and 18th of October**.

As part of this, they would like to invite individuals or groups to create a scarecrow (no higher than 2m or wider than 1.5m). Entries will be displayed in one of the gardens within the tour and the scarecrow receiving the most public votes will receive a \$50 Warehouse voucher.

On registration of interest, you will receive instructions as to when and where you can place your scarecrow for the duration of the tour. Information about tour tickets can be made at the church office.

Please contact st.andrews.church@xtra.co.nz or phone 578 7119 to register.

FAREWELL PARISH NURSE

Raewyn has completed her season as Parish nurse therefore we will be honouring her at the parish picnic. If you would like to contribute to her farewell gift please give your donation to the office or in a marked envelope.

PLANT SALE

Thank you to all who were involved in planning and running the Nativity Plant sale and those who grew and/or purchased plants. A special thank you also to those who worked in the hall and kitchen. Our efforts raised over \$3000 for church funds - well done everyone!!

BE INFORMED

The Act only requires a doctor to "do their best to ensure that the person expresses their wish free from pressure." However, the Act fails to how this outline happens. **Doctors** not trained to detect coercion and are further limited in their ability to detect coercion because, unlike the Netherlands, they cannot others without the patient's interview permission.

- Requests for an assisted death are often motivated by depression, something that is also extremely difficult to detect. There is no mandatory screening for depression in the Act.
- In the Netherlands and Belgium, disabled people and people who are mentally ill were not initially eligible. However, assisted death is now offered to people with mental illnesses and dementia, and to disabled people.

The same changes will likely happen here. The EOLC Act is badly drafted and seriously flawed. Whatever one's views about the idea of euthanasia, it is not 'compassion' to vote for a dangerous law.

See www.riskylaw.nz or www.votesafe.nz or defendnz.co.nz or www.carealliance.org.nz Authorised by Graham O'Brien, 30 Vanguard St, Nelson 7040

MEN'S MOVIE AFTERNOON

Men's Movie Ministry will be meeting again at the Ramsay's place at **1:30pm on Monday 12th October.** Please RSVP to Roz by 9am on the day for catering purposes.

PRAYER BREAKFAST

There will be a prayer breakfast on **Saturday the 10th of October** from 8am. Miriam Taylor will be the speaker. For catering purposes please RSVP to the office **by the 7th** of October. \$10pp to be paid on the day.

COMING UP:

OCTOBER

Saturday 10th Prayer Breakfast

8am - Lounge

Deanery Gathering

St Christophers 9-12:30pm

Coffee Connections

9:30am Raupo

Monday 12th Mens Movie afternoon

- Ramsay's place 1:30pm

Sunday 18th Combined Service and

Parish Picnic

Spring Creek 130th

Celebrations with a shared

lunch

Mondays Care & Share

5th,12th,19th 9:30am - Lounge

Wednesday

7th & 21st Group

4pm - Barnies

Intercessory

Fridays **Link**

1pm - Lounge

Fridays 16th, 23rd **Tunes for Tots**

& 30th 9:30am - Hall and Lounge

OUR STAFF AND PARISH LEADERS

Priest in Charge Sue Howarth & Joe Keighley

Assistant Priests Kaye Dyer
John Neal

Miriam Taylor

Prayer

Kevin Thompson Kathy Taylor

Administrator Kathy Taylor
Receptionist Rosalind Mundy
Counselling Kathy Hammond

Chaplain to the Elderly Alison Brice
Oversight to Care Cells Jo Danks/Sue Howarth

Vicar's Warden Stephen Sheat

People's Warden
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Prayer Chain
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Jane Sheat & Raewyn Parkes

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sundays 8am **Sung Eucharist Service**

Church

Sundays 10am Family Communion

Church

Thursday 10am **Eucharist Service**

St Barnabas Chapel

(Barnies)

Roz will be on leave from Monday 5th - Friday 10th October.

The Front Desk will operate on reduced hours.

Phone and email will be checked during this time.

The office will be open on

Mondays - Wednesdays from 9am -1pm and on

Thursdays and Fridays from 9am - 12:00pm.

Outside these hours please leave a note or message via phone or e-mail and we will get back to you.