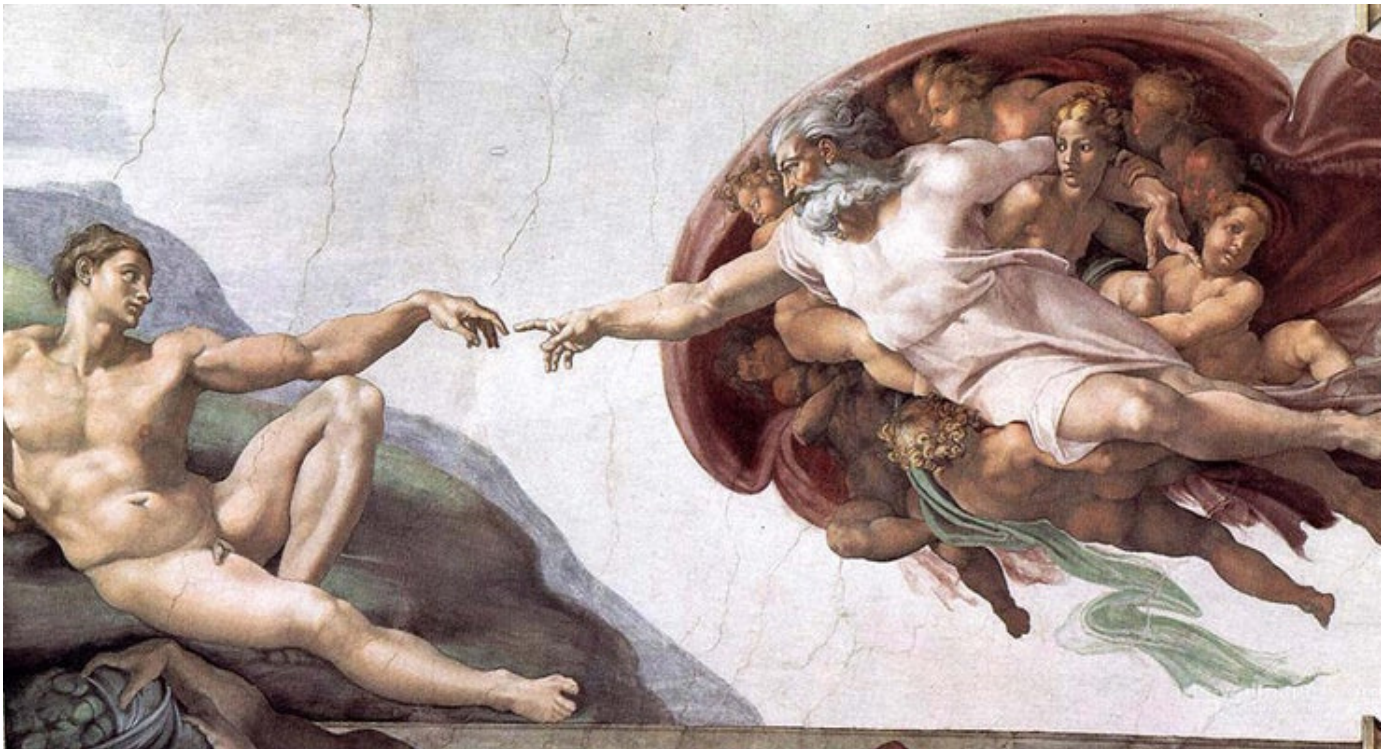




THE CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY

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



OUR SERVICES TODAY

- THEME:** Transforming work: Foundations
- PREACHER:** Rev. Glen Ashworth
- READINGS:** Gen 1:26-28, Col 3:12-17, John 5:9b-16a
- SENTENCE:** And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. *Colossians 3:17*
- COLLECT:** God of unchangeable power, our strength at all times; guard us from all dangers and support us in all difficulties that we may live victoriously now and forever; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

Welcome

NOTES/ART

REFLECTIVE PRAYER

Prayer blesses others.

Numbers 6:24-26. The Lord bless you and keep you: the Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you: the Lord lift up His countenance on you and give you peace.

Jesus became our greatest blessing. Faith in Him preserves (or keeps) you. God can make His face shine upon you when you accept His Son. He's gracious to you because you are part of His family. He can lift up His countenance to you because He has always wanted a relationship with you. His peace can be yours because you embraced His blessings. Jesus came for all mankind, taking your punishment and replacing it with blessing.

When you pray, you should want the best for the people you bring before God. Try praying God's prayer for family and friends.

Prayer:

Father God, Your model prayer tells so much about You. There's a love and grace in these words that should change me and the way I pray. Through Jesus, every part of this prayer becomes a practical way for me to bless others in my time with You. Amen.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember to add your prayer requests to the box in the **foyer of the church**. A pen and paper are provided. These will be collected each week to be prayed over. We have an online prayer wall that you can add to or access to pray over at any time. Please contact the office or our prayer chain co-ordinators **Jane Sheat** (578 9004) and **Rosemarie Nicholls** (578 1163) with any requests you have for the prayer chain during the week.

NEWS AND EVENTS

SNAPSHOT OF THE BUILDING PROGRESS



What's next?

- Painting of the hall
- Gibbing storerooms and accessible toilet
- Flooring installed in kitchen
- Kitchen appliances installed

AAW

AAW meeting, St Barnabas Chapel, **Wednesday 6th September** at 1.30pm.

Topic What has made a difference in your life?

Prayers. General business, reports, Meeting Brightwater. Afternoon tea

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Intercessory prayer meeting, St Barnabas chapel, **Wednesday the 6th September** at 4pm

SPRING FLOWER FESTIVAL



Sunday 10th September. Please bring along a small spray of Spring Flowers to the morning services that can be distributed to our family residents in the various rest homes and those parishioners that are housebound.

THE BIG QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 9th September at Wairau Valley Anglican Church. For one night only, get together with your friends, family and church for Tearfund's biggest multi-venue, nationwide quiz ever. Every dollar raised will help transform the lives of people living in poverty.

Contact Colleen Elwood 027 314 7265 or mrscaelwood@gmail.com

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Alpha Marriage course
- Nativity outreaches: Tunes 4 Tots, Healing Horticulture, Repair Cafe
- Faith sharing opportunities
- Building project, that it may be completed quickly and well.

COMING UP:

SEPTEMBER

- Monday 4th & 18th **Care & Share**
9.30 am St Barnabas Chapel
- Wednesday 6th **AAW**
1.30pm St Barnabas Chapel
- Wednesday 6th & 20th **Intercessory prayer**
4pm St Barnabas Chapel
- Wednesday 6th & 13th **Alpha Marriage Course**
7:30pm Salvation Army Hall
- Thursday 17th **Pastoral Care meeting**
11am St Barnabas Chapel
- Fridays 8th, 15th, 22nd **Tunes for Tots**
9:30am Wesley Centre
- Link**
1pm St Barnabas Chapel
- Saturday 9th **Coffee Connections**
9.30am Raupo
- Saturday 23rd **Repair Cafe**
9am-noon Johns' Kitchen
- Sunday 24th **The Gathering -The Well**
6.30pm St Barnabas Chapel

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WEEKLY SERVICES

- Sundays 8am **Sung Eucharist Service**
Church
- Sundays 10am **Family Communion**
Church
- Thursday 10am **Eucharist Service**
St Barnabas Chapel

NEXT SUNDAY

Glen Ashworth
Transforming work:
Good work
8 & 10am

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