



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:** Living alongside the supernatural
- PREACHER:** Barry Struthers
- READINGS:** Acts 19:1-6, Acts 18-24-26, John 3:1-8
- SENTENCE:** "Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit." *John 3:6*
- COLLECT:** Holy and eternal God, give us such trust in your sure purpose, that we measure our lives not by what we have done or failed to do, but by our faithfulness to you. Hear this prayer for your love's sake. *Amen*

Welcome

NOTES/ART

REFLECTIVE PRAYER

Prayer is a request for protection.

Luke 11:4:- And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil.

If you think this prayer of Jesus is a mistake, look at 1 John 1:9: 'If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness'. That takes care of the first part of Luke 11:4 and the second part is in Mark 11:25; 'And when you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against any; that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

A lack of forgiveness hurts your relationship with God and with other people. He made you to relate to others-and unforgiveness builds walls where bridges should be.

Prayer:

Lord, there are times when I'm happy to be forgiven, but I don't want to forgive. It's like reviewing a car accident over and over again: it doesn't solve the pain, and it adds to my tension. Forgive me, Father. Help me to forgive others, heal me. 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

COUNSELLING FUNDING APPEAL



For some years, we have been blessed by the Blue Door making a grant that covered the cost of counselling for those who could not meet it themselves. This year, Blue Door could only grant half the amount used toward clients' costs last year.

Currently, we have several people who are being assisted by counselling funded by the Blue Door grant, the grant will not cover costs after the end of June 2023. Four of the seven people being assisted currently are Christians and vary in age from youth to elderly people. Some clients can seek assistance through WINZ or their workplace. Others do not have these options.

We are aware that times are financially tight for lots of people currently, but if you can assist with a contribution towards our gap in finances you can be assured it would help another person on their journey of healing or health.

Donations towards counselling can be given via our ANZ account:

Account: 06-0705-0429077-000

Code: 1180

Reference: Counselling

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS



The office will be operating on limited hours during the school holidays due to staff leave and Matariki.

TUESDAY - THURSDAY

9am - 12pm

1st - 16th JULY

PRAYER REQUESTS

- A safe and enjoyable school holidays
- Give thanks for the Bamboo Fundraising event
- Faith sharing opportunities

FUNDRAISER UPDATE

We are excited to announce that our Bamboo Gardens Fundraiser dinner raised **over \$4,280.00** for our building redevelopment. A huge thank you to Janet Guard, Nicci Leitch and their Care Cell for all the work they put into this. Thank you also to all the Care Cells who provided auction items.

NBAS NEXT MEETING



The Nativity Beer Appreciation Society will meet at **3pm Sunday 9th July** at John Neal's place.

Theme: Beer & a Chair - The Garage Tour
Location: 118 Budge St, Blenheim

COMING UP:

JULY

- Friday 14th 21st, 28th **Link**
1pm St Barnabas Chapel
- Monday 10 & 24th **Care and Share**
9:30am St Barnabas Chapel
- Wednesday 12th & 26th **Intercessory prayer**
4pm St Barnabas Chapel
- Wednesday 19th & 26th **Healing Horticulture**
7pm Renwick
- Friday 21st, 28th **Tunes for Tots**
9:30am Wesley Centre
- Saturday 22nd **Repair Cafe**
Johns' Kitchen
- Sunday 30th **Favourite Hymns Singalong**
2pm Nativity Church

Don't forget to check out our YouTube channel @nativitychurch8706



NATIVITY CONTACT DETAILS

Vicar: **Rev. Glen Ashworth**
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*All can also be contacted via the office
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CONTACT US



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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
Sharing Good News
8 & 10am

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Tues - Thurs 9am - 3:00pm