



# Parish of the Good Shepherd, Hurunui

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

21 August 2022

### Weekend Masses

#### Saturday Vigil

5pm Hanmer Springs  
(Every Saturday)

6:30pm Culverden  
(1st, 2nd & 3rd Saturdays)

#### Sunday Mass

9am Amberley  
(Every Sunday)

11am Cheviot  
(1st, 2nd, 3rd Sundays Only)\*

10.30am Hawarden  
(4th Sunday Only)

11.30am Waiau  
(5th Sunday Only)

12pm Sanctuary of  
Fourvière, Leithfield

### Weekday Masses

Monday - Saturday  
7am Amberley

Tuesday - Saturday  
12pm Sanctuary of  
Fourvière, Leithfield

### Reconciliation

By Appointment  
or before Mass  
(but not the last 5 Minutes!)

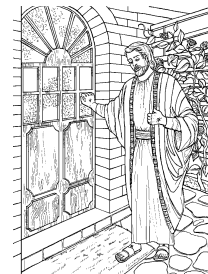
### Rosary

Wednesday  
1:30pm Amberley  
Church Hall

\*(Remember to base the Vigil  
on the Sunday of the month)

### Try your best to enter by the narrow door...

In this Sunday's Gospel passage (Luke 13:22-30), Jesus is on his way to Jerusalem to complete His mission: to die for us, to open the door of heaven for us. He is asked whether only a few will be saved. He does not give a direct answer but goes on to speak about the personal effort that is demanded from those who wish to enter the kingdom. *'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed'*. What does Jesus mean by this expression? He is the door. He speaks of that in the earlier chapter..... *I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved* (John 10:9). Jesus opens the way for us to enter into God's kingdom through His crucifixion when he has laid down his life as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. In the passage He points out that merely hearing His message or being in His company does not guarantee salvation. What is needed is a personal commitment – a commitment to grow in friendship with Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and in authentic love of our brothers and sisters in Christ. The grace that comes from that commitment, in the normal course of daily life, comes through the celebration of the sacraments, prayers, and the works of love.



God Bless, Fr Michael

### Mass with the Anointing of the Sick

Thursday 25th August @ 10.00am at Amberley  
(followed by Morning tea)



"This sacred anointing of the sick was instituted by Christ our Lord as a true and proper sacrament of the New Testament. It is alluded to indeed by Mark, but is recommended to the faithful and promulgated by James the apostle and brother of the Lord" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, para. 1511; Mark 6:13; Jas. 5:14-15).

The anointing of the sick conveys several graces and imparts gifts of strengthening in the Holy Spirit against anxiety, discouragement, and temptation, and conveys peace and fortitude (CCC 1520). These graces flow from the atoning death of Jesus Christ, for "this was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah, 'He took our infirmities and bore our diseases'" (Matt. 8:17). **P/s, no 7.00am Mass that day**

### SUNDAY'S READINGS:

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:18-21**  
*They will bring all your brothers  
from all the nations*

**Psalm Response:**  
Go out to all the world, and tell the Good News.

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13**  
*The Lord trains the one he loves*

**GOSPEL: Luke 13:22-30**  
*The last shall be first and the first last*

### HYMNS for SUNDAY MASSES

820 Seek ye First  
786 Turn to me (\*9.00am Amberley only)  
720 Be Still for the Presence  
360 As I kneel before you

\*(The JnJ Band will be leading the singing  
in Amberley)

**WELCOME TO BISHOP MICHAEL GIELEN** who will be making an informal visit to our parish. He will be the main celebrant at all the weekend Masses. You may find Fr Michael dragging him away from Hanmer and Amberley so that they are not late for the next Mass in Culverden and Cheviot respectively !

**MASS OF THANKSGIVING** will be celebrated by Fr Monty Bamford in our parish:

+ **Saturday 3rd September, Hanmer Springs & Culverden**  
+ **Sunday 4th September, Amberley (1st Sunday's cuppa)**  
(Cheviot by Fr Prendeville to allow Fr Monty to mingle and have a cuppa in Amberley. Fr M will be on his Annual leave the whole of September).

Fr Monty's note of thanks has been emailed to all who gave him a monetary gift through the parish. If you have not receive this email of thanks, please let Fr Michael know in case the system hasn't picked up your funds as being destined for Fr Monty.

**SEASONS FOR GROWTH COURSE** recognises that loss comes in many forms and those who have experienced loss, need to be provided with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to understand and manage their grief experiences. The course runs for four consecutive Thursdays beginning **Sept - 8th**, 10am-12:30pm in the Assisi Lounge at The Catholic Cathedral Parish, 373 Manchester St. No course fee, but there will be opportunity to make a koha. There are limited spaces available, so if you are interested, please contact the parish office on 03 3791068 to register. There will be another of these courses run later in the year.

**MARCH FOR LIFE** - The Christchurch March for Life is happening again this year on Saturday, 17th September 2022. Gathering together at Victoria Square in Christchurch at 1pm. March begins at 2pm.

**More Info:** [www.facebook.com/MarchforLifeChristchurch/](https://www.facebook.com/MarchforLifeChristchurch/)



## FORMED

**CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND** - Free Access to all Parishioners to lots of

good Catholic material: Movies, documentaries, catechetical material to help you understand the Catholic faith. If you are not on the Parish mail-out, just make contact via email, and you will be guided on how to sign up for FREE.

**Suggested viewing this week:** only 29 mins

**Feast of St Monica**

<https://watch.formed.org/august-27-st-monica/videos/formed-now-feast-of-saint-monica>

**FORMED: Parish Community viewing:**

**Venue:** Amberley Parish Hall

**Video:** The Forth Wise Man.

**Date and time:** Sunday 18th September, 4.00pm

Check out the trailer via this link:

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=ujzq-6xizBU>

Bring POPEcorn to share!

**A DAY WITH MARY** – will be held at St Anne's Church, Ferry Road, Woolston on Saturday 10 September from 9.30am to 2.30pm. For further details call Marie 027 551 8070.



**CARITAS SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK 4-10 September**  
The theme for this year focuses on racism: *Whakakāhoretia te kaikiri. Kotahī anō tātou i roto i te Karaiti* (Say no to racism. We are one in Christ). Resource pack for reflection, prayer and action, is available in the Church foyer.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Steve and Bernadette Joyce on their 40th Wedding Anniversary. Ad multos annos!

### SAINTS OF THE WEEK

**24 August: St Bartholomew, Apostle.** One of the original twelve Apostles. We know of him mainly from the Gospels (Mt 10:3; Mk 3:18; Lk 6:14; Acts 1:13, John 1:43-52; 21:2). Because of this pairing with St Phillip in the three Synoptic Gospels, and because St Philip is paired with St Nathaniel in John's Gospel, many took it that Bartholomew and Nathaniel may be one and the same person. Eusebius's 4th century writing, based upon information of the 2nd century, mentioned that Bartholomew may have possibly paired up with the Apostle St Thomas on his trip to India.

**27 August: St Monica, 331-387.** Mother. With many tears she prayed for the conversion of her initially wayward son, St Augustine (feast day suppressed this year as it falls on Sunday 28th) who eventually became one of the great saints, and one of the greatest Doctors of the Church. In St Augustine's meditations (*Confessions*) on his spiritual journey, he wrote that he wept bitterly for his mother because she wept so many tears for his salvation. (See **FORMED** - suggested viewing for the week)

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