

Parish of the Good Shepherd, Hurunui

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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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)

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

28 August 2022



Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled...

Once again, God is calling us in this Sunday's readings (e.g. Luke 14:1.7-14), to re-evaluate our positions in life. He is putting the ideal of love and peace before us. We humans are always in conflict within ourselves on the issues of pride and humility, light and darkness, good and evil.... On the one hand, it is good to be acknowledged and appreciated for the good things we do, the gifts we share, the mana we have..... and on the other hand, how not to get trapped in the pursuit of honour and

prestige as the centre of our lives. Our faith does not require us to deny our gifts-but to acknowledge them as being from God and to act responsibly towards those less gifted or otherwise gifted. We must move our hearts and minds away from self interest and self exaltation, towards the consideration of others. He Christ says: "...for repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again". Always seek first the Kingdom of God.

God bless, Fr Michael

P/s This Weekend = 4th Sunday, therefore Mass at Hawarden, and no Mass at Culverden nor Cheviot

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CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND - Our Parish Subscription gives parishioners Free Access to you to lots of good Catholic and wholesome material: Movies,

documentaries, **ebooks**, catechetical resources, to help you understand the Catholic faith or simply to enjoy good entertainment. 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.

Fr Michael has only just realised one can download ebooks via FORMED!. In the past he has given out many copies of a book by Dr Scott Hahn, titled: "Home Sweet Rome". Its a story of a couple of Protestant Minister's journey of faith and their conversion to Catholicism. After downloading it, you can read it on the computer or ipad/tablet! Fr Michael reckons it is a "Must Read"

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

FIRST READING: Ecclesiasticus 3:19-21,30-31

Behave humbly, and you will find favour with the Lord

Psalm Response:

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24

You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1,7-14

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HYMNS for SUNDAY MASSES

601 Praise to the Lord 842 Come Back to Me 365 Immaculate Mary (Vs 1 & 8 only)

PARISH AND DIOCESAN NOTICES

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

- + Saturday 3rd September, Hanmer & 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 MICHAEL IS ON ANNUAL LEAVE from Tuesday 30 August till Thursday 29th September. There will be *no* 7.00am weekday Masses from Tuesday 30 August onwards, and they will resume on Thursday 29th September (his feast day!). In case of emergency, please try Fr Dan Doyle or the Waimakariri Parish. Fr Dan covers the last 3 weekends of September.

PARISH EVENTS - FOR YOUR DIARY

- 1. **Parish Community video**: "The Forth Wise Man". Amberley Parish HALL. Bring POPEcorn to share! Sunday 18th September, 4.00pm Check out the trailer via this link: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=ujzq-6xizBU
- 2. **Parish Gathering 2022** @ **Hawarden** Mass, meals, and fun (More details later). Sunday 30 October. Mass 11.00am
- 3. PARISH'S 24 HOUR ADORATION weekend 26/27 November. Take a slot on the hourly roster and spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament



WORLD YOUTH DAY, LISBON 2023

The Council for Young People (an agency of NZCBC) and the Community of St John have worked together to develop a national pilgrimage for young kiwis wanting to go to World Youth Day in Portugal. Information about the pilgrimage can be found on the Catholic Youth Team website: https://cyt.org.nz/wyd or by emailing cyt@cdoc.nz. Information evenings:

- 7-8pm: **Monday the 5**th **of September** at 5 Washington Way, Sydenham,
- 7-8pm: **Thursday 8**th **of September** at St. Teresa's Parish Hall, 8 Puriri Street, Riccarton.

Fr Michael encourages youth in the parish who are 18 to consider going, and where appropriate, would support in any fund-raising effort.

NEXT SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP DATES:

- Tuesday 13th September at 9.30am Sacred Heart Addington/South Parish
- Tuesday 13th September at 1.30pm Sacred Heart Addington/South Parish
- Wednesday 14th September at 7pm St Peters, Beckenham, 11 Fisher Avenue/South Parish

Anyone in the Parish who is involved in any volunteering role who have not yet attended a Safeguard Workshop (*or have not done so in the last 2 years*) should attend. You do not need to RSVP, just turn up and sign in. There is an option to register your attendance in advance on this link should you wish to: https://parishresources.chchcatholic.nz/safe-church/safeguarding-course-registration/ Contact: Clodagh via email cward@cdoc.nz or 022 0124142

JUBILATE 2022: Its the turn of West Parish and Schools. This is the fourth Jubilate concert. Come and join your voice in fervent core singing and support our featured choirs at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral on Tuesday 6 September from 7.00 to 8.00pm. All welcome and admission is free. Ken Joblin, Sacred Music Advisor, Christchurch Diocese.

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. Kotahi 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 fover.

FEAST DAY OF THE WEEK

29 August: The beheading of St John the Baptist. Saint John the Baptist has two feasts to himself. This one celebrates his death, and the one in June celebrates his birth. Our Lord said that St John the Baptist "In truth I tell you, of all the children born to women, there has never been anyone greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of Heaven is greater than he" (Matt 11:11). All his very being and his life point us to the Incarnate Son of God: Jesus. He is also the Patron Saint of the Diocese of Christchurch