



Parish of the Good Shepherd, Hurunui

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Amberley | Cheviot | Hawarden | Culverden | Waiau | Hanmer Springs
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Weekend Masses



Saturday Vigil

5pm Hanmer Springs
(Every Saturday)

6:30pm Culverden
(1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays)
(Remember to base the Vigil
on the Sunday of the month)

Sunday Mass

8.30am Amberley
(Every Sunday)

11am Cheviot
(1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays Only)

10.30am Hawarden
(2nd & 4th Sunday Only)

12pm **The Beatitudes,**
Leithfield

Weekday Masses

Monday - Saturday
7am Amberley

Tuesday - Saturday
12pm The Beatitudes,
Leithfield



Reconciliation

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



Rosary

Wednesday
1:30pm Amberley
Church Hall

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

17 September 2023

Forgive....seventy-seven times!

The theme for this Sunday's Gospel focus us on forgiveness. I am repeating what I published three years ago, a short article I came across, written by a certain Roy Smith. He wrote; "The art of forgiving is a spiritual grace every Christian should develop. Because this is so difficult to put into practice, here are some suggestions:



- 1) Begin by assuring yourself that compared to Christ's suffering you haven't been seriously wronged at all.
- 2) Recall the many kind deeds that have been shown to you, perhaps even by the person who has harmed you.
- 3) List the benefits you have received from the Lord.
- 4) Thank Him for blessing you with His love and forgiveness each day.
- 5) Make an honest effort to pray for the one who has injured you.
- 6) Go even further by looking for an opportunity to help him.
- 7) If the offence is especially hard to forget, try to erase the memory by thinking gracious and generous thoughts.
- 8) Finally, before you fall asleep at night, repeat slowly and thoughtfully that phrase from the Lord's Prayer, "Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us."

Truly, food for thought, and a challenge, and material for prayer!

God bless, Fr Michael

FORMED

CATHOLIC RESOURCE ONLINE

Search" for it on www.FORMED.org.

Fr Michael's recommendation for this week is 20m video: "Forgiveness: being with the eyes of God".

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

FIRST READING: Ecclesiasticus 27:33-28:9

*Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you;
and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven*

Psalm Response:

The Lord is kind and merciful:
slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

SECOND READING: Romans 14:7-9

Alive or dead, we belong to the Lord

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

To be forgiven, you must forgive

HYMNS for SUNDAY MASSES

(May vary on the Day)

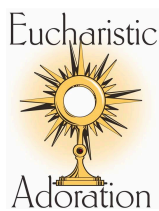
282 Sing to the Mountain

416 When Love is Found

356 Hail Queen of Heaven (2 vs)

WEEKDAY MASSES in Amberley will recommence on 29th September. There are weekday Masses at 12pm at the Beatitudes. During this period, in the case of **emergencies** please contact the Waimakariri parish 03-313 6285.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION on **Thursday 21st September from 5.30-6.30pm @ Amberley.** Everyone is welcome. Children under 10 will join in activities in the hall during the first part of Adoration and *then join in the last part of Adoration.*



Following Adoration there will be a shared potluck dinner in the hall. **Bring** fingerfood / soup *(in crockpot)* to share.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP will gather in the Hawarden Presbytery after the **10.30am Mass next Sunday 24th September.** All families with youth are welcome to join our second gathering and there will be activities for every member of the family. Any queries please contact, David & Therese Jackman at david.m.jackman@gmail.com Paco and Lou Mones-Cazon at loumonescazon@gmail.com Sandy Velmonte at Shandeep23@yahoo.com or Genilyn Mercado at mercadogenilyn@yahoo.com

PARISH PICNIC – Advanced notice. On the **second Sunday of October (8th)**, we will have our Parish Picnic after the Mass in Hawarden. Please bring a plate to share and/or to cook on the BBQ. The parish will provide free sausages. We also hope to explore “Hurunui’s Got Talent” as an event during the picnic! More details later, but you can register your entry now by emailing the parish’s email.

CELEBRATION SUNDAY FOR VENERABLE SUZANNE AUBERT. Sunday 1 October 2023, parishes and communities across Aotearoa New Zealand will celebrate a day to remember the life, spirituality and good works of Venerable Meri Hohepa Suzanne Aubert. It is While we wait and pray for Meri Hohepa Suzanne Aubert to be beatified, we continue to promote her message of compassion and love throughout Aotearoa New Zealand and the world. www.compassion.org.nz/celebration-sunday

ST THÉRÈSE ROSE PETAL EVENING:

Saturday 7th October, from 5:30pm

Please join the Beatitudes Community for a special “evening of prayer with St Thérèse of Lisieux”.

This evening includes St Thérèse’s own words put to music and an opportunity to write this Saint a ‘letter’ followed by a potluck dinner.

All welcome! 67 Leithfield Rd, Leithfield, North Canterbury. For more information contact:

Thomas at thomas@beatitudes.nz or 0225062538.

TE KUPENGA – CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE will start accepting enrolments on September 25 for the 2024 First Semester Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology courses. With a dedicated and qualified faculty of theologians, and access to a wealth of resources, CTC has a programme that will empower you to critically analyse complex theological issues, foster spiritual growth, and prepare you for a meaningful career in ministry, education, or other fields where a profound understanding of theology is invaluable.

Register now at www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply

JAM 23 - JESUS AND ME

30th September, 9.30am - 3.30pm at the Te Hapua: Halswell Centre, Hao Hall.

“JAM’23 - Jesus and Me,” is an event by Jesus Youth Christchurch which aims to foster a stronger spiritual connection among children aged 5 to 10.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY CONTACTS

Most hospitals no longer provide names of Catholic patients to our chaplains. If there is someone from your family going to hospital please advise the chaplain or let the nurses know that you would like to see the Catholic Chaplain/Priest on call

Christchurch Hospital:

Angela McCormick – 021 702 378

Burwood Hospital:

Jane Dick - 021 572 480

Hillmorton Hospital:

Joan Hough - 021 501 683

Nurse Maude Hospice:

Christchurch North Parish - 03 359 1438

St George’s Hospital:

Christchurch North Parish - 03 359 1438

Southern Cross:

Cathedral Parish - 379 1068

SAINTS AND FEAST OF THE WEEK

20th September - Sts Andrew Taegon, Priest, and Paul Chong Hasang, and their companions, Martyrs:
In all, 103 of the Korean martyrs.

21st September - St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelists

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