

Parish of the Good Shepherd, Hurunui

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Weekend Masses



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



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



Wednesday 1:30pm Amberley Church Hall

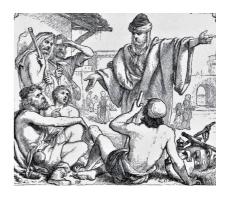
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

15 October 2023

The Kingdom of God will be given to the People who will produce its fruit.....

The Jewish People in the time of Jesus were very much aware of their identity as The People of God. It was from this People that in the fullness of time, God came to us in the Person of Christ. Through Christ, a 'new' People of God is established with a new covenant; i.e., The Church is the new People of God. She is the Body of Christ, a people embracing all nations, all cultures, and part of a Universal Call to holiness.



The Church, as the new People of God, is not unlike the 'old' People of God. It is also to bear the fruit of the Kingdom; the fruit of justice and righteousness, and the fruit of a right relationship with God and right relationship with others and, the fruit of making the face of the unseen God seen in the their very lives. readings for this Sunday make the challenging point that if we do not produce the fruits of the kingdom we simply do not belong to it.

The question to ask ourselves is: What have I contributed to the Vineyard?

God bless

Fr Michael

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Fr M's recommendation for this week is practically a layman breaking the Word of God, Sacred Scriptures, of this Sunday's reading. Its a 7m video, but if you take away the Opening Intro, its actually shorter.

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-10 The Lord will prepare a banquet for every nation

Psalm Response:

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:12-14,19-20 With the help of the One who gives me strength,

there is nothing I cannot master

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:1-14 Invite everyone you can to the wedding

HYMNS for SUNDAY MASSES

(May vary on the Day)

407 Baptised in Water **416** When Love is Found Let us Sing to you O Mary (lyrics on the next page)

PARISH AND DIOCESAN NOTICES

ATTENTION!!

CULVERDEN MASSES - OCTOBER 2023

Please note that the Mass in Culverden is the "**Vigil of the 1st, 3rd and 5th SUNDAYS** of the month'. It may be confusing if one counts the 'Saturdays of the month' rather than the 'Sundays of the month'. This is problematic only when the First Sunday of the month falls on the first day of the month (e.g. 1 October = Sunday), thus making the Saturdays of the month not being in synch with the Sundays of the month (e.g., Vigil of 1st Sunday in **October** is the Saturday in **September!**). To avoid confusion for October; here are the Mass times:





3rd Sun Oct Saturday Vigil in Culverden (14 October) 4th Sun Oct No Mass in Culverden (21 October)

5th Sun Oct Saturday Vigil in Culverden (28 October)

WE WELCOME Luke Light and Penelope Leith who are both be baptised this weekend. Luke will be baptised on the 14th October at the Chapel of the Beatitudes Community, Leithfield, while Penelope on the 15th at Amberley. Allelu - ia!

COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR 2024

\$12.00 each. Please get your copy now so we can settle with the Columban Mission Society. In Amberley, please contact Mary Bimler while Fr Michael will carry copies with him in is travels.



PARISH PICNIC – All attended had great fun. Please if you took pictures on the day, can you send some to the Parish as an Email-attachment so that we can put a little story in the Diocesan Newsletters. Congratulations to Amos and Rose Muir for winning the inaugural "Hurunui's Got Talent". Thank you all who help in any way to make the day fun, joyful and communitarian.

THROUGH THE EYES OF BISHOP GRIMES - For the first time in over 100 years you will be able to view a selection of Bishop Grimes' glass lantern slides - on a magic lantern slide projector! Join the Diocesan Archives Team to view a selection of Bishop Grimes' slide collection used to promote his Cathedral fundraising efforts abroad, and also slides of the European cities he visited. Wednesday 25th October at 2pm at the Assisi Lounge at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, 373 Manchester St.

VOCATION RETREAT FOR MEN is being held from 3rd-5th November at Sister Eveleen House in Sumner for men who are open to the possibility of a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life. It begins at 7pm on the Friday and concludes on the Sunday after lunch. Please contact the Vocations Coordinator, Matt O'Connell, on 366 9869 or by email: moconnell@cdoc.nz to register.

CHRISTCHURCH WEST PLANT SALE Labour weekend. Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd October 9:30am - 12:30pm. Next to Our Lady of Victories Church, Sockburn. (Fr Michael Pui's ex-parish and some of the plants for sale are from his efforts!)

OCDS CARMELITE SILENT RETREAT -

"ADVENT WITH CARMEL" 24th-26th November to be led by Father Michael-Therese, CSJ. Retreat at Rochester Hall, Ilam. Cost: Live-in \$240, day only \$120. Contact Megan Emery ph 383 0706 or Email: benedictus@windowslive.com

PRAYERS FOR HEALING - FR JOHN REA SM is offering two healing meetings, hosted by the Lamb of God Community at the Lamb of God Centre, 21 Thames Street.

- Saturday 4th November, 7.30-9.30pm
- •Sunday 5th November, 2-4pm

All are welcome. Google https://www.sm.org. nz/about/missionary-parishes/john-rea/ for further information. All enquiries to John Murray, lambofgodchristchurch@gmail.com or 021 280 4516.

RECESSIONAL HYMN TO OUR LADY

Let us sing to you, O Mary (Music, Holtz's Jupiter, words by Robert Loretz)

Let us sing to you, O Mary disciple first and best, Join our voices sing with every age, that loves to call you blest. Blessed you among all women, first in faith, in hope, in love, Blessed you who believed in the promise from above, Chosen Woman, through obedience untied the knot of Eve, Holy Virgin, fruitful Mother of all who believe.

Hail His Palace! Hail His Tabernacle! Hail His Ark! His Shrine! Hail His Home! His Throne! His Servant! His Mother and mine! Consecrated by the Father, before time had e-er begun, and prepared by the Spirit to mother the Son, Spotless Ark, conceived immaculate and spared from every sin, Full of grace, you won God's favour, enfleshed the Word within.