



DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

AMBERLEY | CHEVIOT | HAWARDEN | CULVERDEN | HANMER SPRINGS
Parish Office: 138A Carters Road, Amberley, PO BOX 143, Amberley 7441
www.catholicurunui.nz



PARISH NEWSLETTER

Weekend Masses



Saturday Vigil

5pm Hanmer Springs
(Every Saturday)

7pm Culverden
(Every Saturdays)

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
8:30am 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

St Joseph Men's Group
2nd & 4th Monday
7pm-9pm Amberley Hall

30 June 2024 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

FEARS AND TEARS

In today's gospel (Mk. 5, 21-43) the impossible happens: Jesus raises to life the 12-year-old daughter of a synagogue official named Jairus. Nothing is impossible with God. So when things become impossible or unbearable, let us take to heart Jesus' words today: "Do not be afraid; just have faith."

We all have fears. There is none among us so brave so as to be fear-free. All throughout our lives, we have to conquer all sorts of fear. There is none among us who is fearless. The fact is that we just fear less as we conquer our fears. It is faith, a belief in someone greater than ourselves that makes us fear less.

We all have tears. There is none among us so blessed so as to be tear-free. We all have dark moments. Again, it is faith, a belief in a great someone who loves us, that helps us see the light and helps us move on toward the light.

We all have fears and tears. There are people with great minds and brave hearts who choose to handle them alone and on their own. We of simple hearts choose to face them with faith and trust in God. We salute human intelligence and bravery. However, we have our human limitations. Faith is a gift that lifts us beyond our limited horizons. It is available. It is free. It is ours for the taking.

Lord, when tears and fears come knocking, give me faith to keep me going. Amen.

Saturday 29th June - Vigil Masses by Fr Justin: 5pm in Hanmer and 7pm in Culverden.

Sunday 30th June - Holy Masses by Fr Justin: 8.30am in Amberley and 11am in Cheviot

From Monday 1st July: No weekday Masses in Amberley.

From Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th July: Weekday Masses in Hanmer Springs at 9am.

Saturday 6th July - Vigil Masses by Fr Philip: 5pm in Hanmer and 7pm in Culverden.

Sunday 7th July - Holy Masses by Fr Philip: 8.30am in Amberley and 11am in Cheviot

HANMER CHURCH – PARKING:

Please do NOT park your car on the Church lawns at Hanmer but use the adequate parking area in front of the front flat for priest & visitors and the parking available on the road frontage. Thank you for your understanding.

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

FIRST READING: Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24

God takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living

Psalm Response:

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

The Lord Jesus became poor for your sake,
to make you rich

GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-43

Little girl, I tell you to get up

HYMNS for SUNDAY MASSES

(May vary on the day)

788 Praise to the Holiest in the height

432 Lay your hands gently

938 Soul of my Saviour

356 Hail Queen of heaven

LIGHT OF FAITH: by Fr. Rex

What/Who do we receive in Holy Communion at the Holy Mass?

In receiving Holy Communion, we receive the body of Christ. Does this mean that we receive only the body and not the whole Christ? Does this also suggest that we receive only Jesus Christ, the second Person of the Trinity?

In receiving the body of Christ in Holy Communion, we are actually receiving not just the body of Christ but his whole self: body and blood, humanity and divinity. When we receive Holy Communion in either of the consecrated species bread or wine, or bread and wine together, we receive the complete Christ. Christ is wholly and entirely present in each of the consecrated species and in each part of either of the consecrated bread and wine.

In receiving Holy Communion, we receive Christ in his humanity and divinity, which cannot be divided or separated. We must remember that the divinity of Christ is shared essentially or consubstantially by God, the Father and God, the Holy Spirit. Consequently, receiving the divinity of Jesus, which He shares equally and fully with God the Father and God the Holy Spirit, is receiving not just Jesus but also the Father and the Holy Spirit. In partaking of the Eucharist, we are united to Christ, who as the second Person of the Trinity, is united to the Father, the first Person of the Trinity and the Holy Spirit, the third Person of the Trinity.

In receiving the Eucharist, we are united not just to Christ but to the other Persons of the Trinity. Jesus himself points to this teaching when he says: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." (John 14: 23)

PARISH AND DIOCESAN NOTICES

WAIIAU CHURCH MEETING TO PLAN FINAL CELEBRATIONS: Waiau parishioners and others interested are invited to attend a meeting at the church site on Sunday 14th July at 12pm to plan for the final Mass with Bishop Michael and other festivities to bid farewell to the church: **All welcome**

A CATERED WEEKEND RETREAT FOR COUPLES:

led by the Beatitudes Community, 12th - 14th July.

Theme: 'Louis and Zelig Martin: Marriage as a Call to Holiness'. Prices from \$250 all inclusive per couple (depending on accommodation).

Please contact retreats@beatitudes.nz for more information and bookings.

"HOW GOOD LITERATURE CAN SAVE THE WORLD (OR AT LEAST MY FAMILY)"

- an evening workshop with Dr Stephen McNerny

Dr McNerny is Dean of Studies, Associate Professor of Literature, and Director of the Centre for the Study of the Western Tradition, at Campion College, Sydney. He will lead an evening workshop, hosted by the St Thomas More Society for Liberal Arts, to help Catholic families appreciate the treasures of our literary heritage. He will share practical advice on how we can use good literature to foster an appreciation in our families for goodness, truth and beauty.

The workshop will run on Monday 8 July, 6 pm to 9 pm, at the St Bede's College auditorium. See the event page at <https://tinyurl.com/mcinerney> for more information.



For more information and tickets:

<https://www.trybooking.com/nz/SKZ>.

INFORM SURVEY:

Between now and the end of August, we are carrying out a survey of our Inform readership, to help us fine-tune our approach and better meet their needs. The survey is being conducted both in hard copy (see last page of your magazine) and online at <https://bit.ly/InformSurvey>. We would appreciate you taking the time to fill out the survey.

In Christ, Ken Joblin, Inform Editor ; Bishop's Pastoral Office.

