

# Parish of the Good Shepherd, Hurunui

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Pentecost Sunday

Year B

20 May 2018



### Sunday Masses

Third Sunday of the Month

Saturday Vigil  
5pm Hanmer Springs  
Sunday Mass  
9am Cheviot  
10am Amberley  
6pm Culverden

### Adoration

Thursday  
9.30am - 10.00am

### Reconciliation

Thursday  
9.30am - 10.00am  
Anytime  
by appointment

### Rosary

Wednesday  
1:30pm Amberley

### The Feast of Pentecost

Today, the day of **Pentecost**, the fulfilment of the promise Christ made the Apostles is finally accomplished. The Holy Spirit's arrival on the Day of Pentecost renews and brings this gift to abundance in a solemn way and with external manifestations. Thus culminates the paschal mystery.

Jesus conveys the Spirit into the disciples to create a new human condition while producing unity. When man's arrogance made him think he could defy God by building the Babel tower, God mixed their languages so they could not understand each other any more. With the Pentecost it just happened the contrary: on the grace of the Holy Spirit, people from the most varied origins and languages can understand the Apostles.

The Holy Spirit is the intimate and personal Master who guides the disciple towards the truth, who motivates him to do good, who consoles him in the pain, who transforms him intimately, while giving him a new strength and capacity. In this celebration of the Pentecost we must have the doors, within us, wide open.

You are most welcome to the **Ecumenical Pentecostal Service at 3pm** this afternoon in the Amberley church. Let us always thirst for the Spirit of God. God bless you all.

Fr Mathew



### TODAY'S READINGS:

#### FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-11

*They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak different languages.*

#### SECOND READING: Corinthians 12:3-7 12-13

*In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.*

#### GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

*As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.*

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS | THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 + Psalm 33 + Romans 8:14-17 + Matthew 28:16-20

*Of your charity pray for*

*the happy repose of the souls  
of those who have died in our  
families and parish community*

*May they rest in peace*

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Dear parishioners, Bishop Paul has approved the revised Mass timetable for our parish of the Good Shepherd Hurunui. This new Mass timetable will take effect from the first weekend of June. (2nd & 3rd June) Please pass this on to anyone who are not aware of this change. Thank you for your support and God Bless.

I will be joining other priests from the diocese this week for our annual Solidarity Gathering at Hanmer Springs. There will be no weekday Masses at Amberley while I am away but there will be Masses at Hanmer Tues, Wed & Thurs at 12pm and Fri 9am during this week (22nd-25th).

### PARISH NOTICES

**YOUTH GROUP** will be on 27th May and will begin with 11.30am Mass at Culverden, then onto Simon and Laura's at 19 School Road. All families are welcome to join. For more information contact Laura & Simon 0277225468.

**WAI AU ACCOMODATION** we have a family of four in need of rental accomodation in Waiau. Please contact the parish office if you can help.

**OFFERING MASS FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION** It is a praiseworthy tradition to have Mass offered for a special intention and especially for the happy repose of a person who has died. Take an envelope from the church foyer or collect one from the parish office and fill in the details on the envelope. If the Mass is being offered for someone who has died, their name will be published in the newsletter so that others may pray for them as well. It is usual to make an offering to the priest of \$10 for each Mass offered.

**JOIN US FOR THE KALAVALE RAFFLE** all parishioners are welcome to a cup of tea after 10am Mass in Amberley on the first Sunday of the Month.

**PARISH GIVING ENVELOPES** Parish Giving Envelopes for 2018 - 2019 and the tax receipts for 2017 - 2018 have been distributed. If you have not received yours please contact the parish office.

### DIOCESAN NOTICES

**ANTIOCH CAMP** - CYT invites all year 11-13 to register for Antioch 6-8 July 2018 [www.cyt.org.nz/antioch-camp/](http://www.cyt.org.nz/antioch-camp/) If you would like to support a camper to go to this event, all donations would be appreciated. Please contact [cnepomuceno@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:cnepomuceno@chch.catholic.org.nz) for more info.

**FIREPOWER YOUTH RALLY** 15<sup>th</sup> of June 7pm - 9.30pm South City C3 Church, corner of Colombo and Moorhouse. A night filled with live worship, testimonies and fellowship! For more info contact Delbert Castillo [dcastillo@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:dcastillo@chch.catholic.org.nz) or 03 353 0705

**P.A.T.H.S.** (Post Abortion Trauma Healing Service) is charitable group based in Christchurch, which provides support nationally for those negatively impacted by a recent or past abortion. For more information about our service visit [www.postabortionpaths.org.nz](http://www.postabortionpaths.org.nz)

#### Hanmer Springs

Every Saturday 5.00pm

#### Culverden

1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 6.30pm

#### Amberley

Every Sunday 9.00am

#### Cheviot

1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays 11.00am

#### Hawarden

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 10.30am

#### Waiau

Every 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday 11.30am

### DIOCESAN NOTICES CONT.

**EXULT 2018** Jesus Youth is organising a young adults retreat from 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> June, Friday 7pm to Monday lunchtime) "Exult 2018-Ordinary to Extraordinary". This program helps to develop the spiritual and personal life of participants through Vibrant Sessions, Powerful Sharing, Inspiring Testimonies, Praise and Worship, Eucharistic Celebration, Adoration, Reconciliation, Energetic Music, and Pulsating Activities. This is open for anyone between the age of 18-35. We have an International Jesus Youth Resource person coming to lead the program (Dony Peter Chacko from Australia). Bishop Paul Martin will be celebrating the Eucharist on Sunday June 3rd. Please support us with your prayers. Also inviting every young adults for this retreat. Please contact Vipin - 021 1128412 for registration and more details.

#### EMOTIONALLY AND SPIRITUALLY FREE COURSE

This course will run each Tuesday evening 7.30pm to 9pm from 24th July to September 25th. At the John Paul II Centre, 88, Idris Road, Bryndwr. Come and experience the Fathers embrace, and his peace that surpasses all understanding. The cost is \$50 per person or \$75 per married couple. Enquiries [emotionallyfreenz@gmail.com](mailto:emotionallyfreenz@gmail.com) or Liz on 0220306628.

**PAUL, APOSTLE OF CHRIST** [www.foodforfaith.org.nz](http://www.foodforfaith.org.nz) has organised a private viewing of the acclaimed Biblical drama Paul, Apostle of Christ. This film is available in New Zealand only in private viewings. Sunday 3 June 2018, 6.00pm at Hoyts Riccarton. Tickets must be purchased beforehand and available at [www.foodforfaith.org.nz](http://www.foodforfaith.org.nz), \$15.00 with all profits to the mission of the St. Vincent de Paul society in Christchurch.

**CATHOLIC SHOP** Open Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm. Visit us at 373 Manchester Street, Christchurch, next to St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, ph 03 366-2853, e-mail [catholicshop@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:catholicshop@chch.catholic.org.nz), or 'like' us on Facebook.