

# Parish of the Good Shepherd, Hurunui

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

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14th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Year B

8 July 2018



## Weekend Masses

### Saturday Vigil

5pm Hanmer Springs  
(Every Saturday)

6:30pm Culverden  
(1st, 2nd, 3rd Saturdays Only)

### Sunday Mass

9am Amberley  
(Every Sunday)

11am Cheviot  
(1st, 2nd, 3rd Sundays Only)

10.30am Hawarden  
(4th Sunday Only)

11.30am Waiiau  
(5th Sunday Only)

## Weekday Masses

Tuesday  
12pm Beatitudes

Wednesday - Friday  
9am Amberley

## Adoration

Thursday  
9.30am - 10.00am

## Reconciliation

Thursday  
9.30am - 10.00am

Anytime  
by appointment

## Rosary

Wednesday  
1:30pm Amberley

### Faith and courage through rejection

Today's Gospel passage, Mark 6:1-6, shows us that many people of Jesus' hometown of Nazareth did not accept him as a prophet because they "knew" him and his family too well. Besides, they were angry when Jesus not only did not work any miracles in Nazareth but chided them with prophetic courage for their lack of Faith and warned that he would go to other people to do his preaching and healing ministry.

Very often our friends, families, or childhood companions fail to listen to us and they are unable to see us as God's appointed instruments, the agents of God's healing and saving grace. But we have to face such rejection with prophetic courage because by our Baptism we are called to be prophets like Jesus, sharing his prophetic mission. As prophets, our task is to speak the truth and oppose the evils in our society without encouraging sinful behaviour even in our dear ones.

Let us also acknowledge, appreciate and encourage the prophets of our time who stand for truth and justice in our society with the wisdom of God in their heads, the power of the Holy Spirit in their words and the courage and love of Jesus in their actions. God bless you all.

Fr Mathew



### TODAY'S READINGS:

#### FIRST READING: Ezekiel 2:2-5

*The head of the house was annoyed; he knew there was a prophet in their midst.*

#### SECOND READING: Corinthians 12:7-10

*I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.*

#### GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-6

*A prophet is despised only in his own country.*

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS | 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 7:12-15 + Psalm 85 + Ephesians 1:3-14 + Mark 6:7-13

### *We Remember*

Masses have been requested and offered for:

**Recent:** Ivy Radich

**Anniversaries:** Philomena Mehrotra

*Eternal Rest Grant unto  
them O Lord.*

**PARISH PRIEST:** Fr Mathew Valloppallil MCBS  
022 301 7976 | sijivm17@gmail.com

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

03 319 8730  
Tuesday & Friday 10am - 1pm

**PARISH SECRETARY:** Sarah Blair  
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**PARISH TREASURER:** Liz James  
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Confirmation preparation classes will be starting soon. If you or someone you know are interested, please contact the parish office for more information. Let us keep all those involved in our prayers.

### PARISH NOTICES

**AN INVITATION** from the Waikari and Hawarden Combined Churches: Please join us for our combined Annual Luncheon, 12.00 noon Sunday 22 July at Fossil Point Café, Greta Valley. \$25 pp. For further information please contact Monica Lilley 314 4070. Please note: We need a minimum of 18 people for the luncheon to take place. Please join us to make this happen.

**FLOWERS** for Amberley church. We urgently need some awesome volunteers for the flower roster. If you can help, please contact Sarah at the parish office 033198730.

**HAVE A HOLIDAY IN HANMER** and support the parish at the same time! Both parish flats are now available for holiday makers. Just visit [www.bookabach.co.nz](http://www.bookabach.co.nz) and search 46625 for the one bedroom front flat or 35704 for the two bedroom back flat.

**AMBERLEY COLLECTIONS** we require more volunteers to help with counting after Mass. This normally takes about 10 minutes. Please contact Brian Ward if you can help on 03 314 8770. Please note those rostered on the collection are also supposed to help with the counting.

**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. The raffle supports the Tongan Mission run by the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary. It is a great social occasion for parishioners while raising funds for those in need.

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. I believe it because you have said it and I'm ready to give my life to maintain this truth. Amen*

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Classes are starting on Sunday 5th August at 8am in the Amberley hall before the 9am Mass.

This is for children 7+ Please contact the parish office for more information.



**DIOCESAN YOUTH MASS  
AND SYDNEY 2008 WYD REUNION MASS**  
Saturday 21 July, 6pm @ St Mary's Pro-Cathedral. An event for all ages so make sure the whole whanau is there!

**ALPHA** What's it all about? Join a local community group for a free dinner and discussion as we explore the basics of Christian faith. Every Wednesday for 12 weeks commencing on Wednesday 4 July, 6:30pm At 126 Hei Hei Road. Contact [hornbydarfieldparish@gmail.com](mailto:hornbydarfieldparish@gmail.com) to register or for more information. All welcome.

**TALK ON DECLARATION OF MARRIAGE NULLITY** by Msgr Brendan Daly at 2 pm 29<sup>th</sup> July at St Peter's Hall, Fisher Ave, Beckenham. What does Jesus and the Church teach about divorce and remarriage? What is the process and the grounds for declarations of Nullity? How do I start a case which is free of charge or find out more?

**MEN'S RETREAT** - 13-14 July 2018 hosted by JOSHUA FELLOWSHIP 7pm Friday evening St Teresa's, 8am - 8pm Saturday, lunch & dinner, Mary Potter Centre. Fritz Mascarenhas, ICPE Wellington. Register with Gerard Honiss 027 840 4499 [gandkhoniss@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:gandkhoniss@hotmail.co.nz) No Monthly Meeting in July. Enquiries Chris 027 646 4138.

**THE CARMELITE SISTERS** warmly invite you to the annual celebration of the Mass of Our Lady of Mt Carmel on Sunday, 15 July at 2.30pm, at the Carmelite Monastery, 52 Halswell Road. Bishop Paul Martin will be the principal celebrant. Afternoon tea will follow. You are most welcome to join us on this special occasion to ask Our Lady's intercession at this very challenging time in the Church and the world. In preparation for the feast, a novena of Masses will be offered for all our relatives and friends.

**REPLENISH** is run by a registered Charitable Trust and a group of dedicated and trained volunteers. Our respite and Healing Facility is in the North Canterbury Countryside, away from all the stress of busy life. Our intention is to provide a welcoming and homely environment, of peaceful restoration for those in need of TLC. For more information please call 03 312 8672.

**GREYMOUTH MARIST BROTHERS** and ex Convent Pupils Annual Function: Papanui RSA on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August from 2.00pm. Enquiries to Frank Newsome [frankandaudrey44@gmail.com](mailto:frankandaudrey44@gmail.com) or evenings 03 3525 471 before 20<sup>th</sup> August.

**DOVE WOMENS FELLOWSHIP** welcomes Julie Henderson as our July speaker. The world offers many alternatives but only Jesus brings true healing. Sat 14<sup>th</sup> JULY 1pm- 3pm Christ the King Parish Centre, Greers Rd. Women of all ages welcome. Phone/txt Diane 0274312026.

**ANNUAL DOMINICAN LUNCHEON** 5th August at 12.30pm at the Commodore Hotel on Memorial Ave. The cost is \$37.00 per person. Please RSVP to Kay on 03 3517683 [kaypricenz@gmail.com](mailto:kaypricenz@gmail.com) by the 30th July.

**CATHOLIC SHOP** Open Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm. 373 Manchester Street ph 03 366-2853.