



# 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 Sunday 2nd & 3rd  
Saturdays)

#### Sunday Mass

9am Amberley  
(Every Sunday)

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

10.30am Hawarden  
(4th Sunday Only)

11.30am Waiau  
(5th Sunday Only)

12pm Fourvière House of  
Prayer and Retreat

### Weekday Masses

Monday - Saturday  
7am Amberley\*

Tuesday - Saturday  
12pm Fourvière House of  
Prayer and Retreat

### Reconciliation

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

### Rosary

Wednesday  
1:30pm Amberley  
Church Hall

\*May be cancelled when  
Parish Priest is away

All Saints Day

Year A

1st November 2020

#### All Saints! Pray for us!

The feast of All Saints fall on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November, and this year it happens to be on a Sunday. Lesser important feast days are normally 'suppressed' by the Sunday celebration of the Resurrection. The fact that the feast of All Saints is celebrated when it falls on a Sunday suggests that it is a very important feast in the life of the Church.

The feast brings to the fore the doctrine and belief in the "Communion of Saints". We express this belief, for example, in the Apostles' Creed: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the *communion of saints*, the forgiveness of sins..... We believe that those already in heaven with God are still with us, but just in a different way. As such, they can still pray for us, and so right from the beginning of the Church the saints, all the holy men and women, have been called upon to 'pray for us'. We hear the litany of the saints during the ordination of a priest, during baptism etc. Similarly, we pray for those who are on the way to heaven, those undergoing the cleansing fire of purgatory. We remember all our dead at every Mass, and especially on the feast of All Souls (2<sup>nd</sup> November). Hence the well known prayer: "Eternal Rest...."

In Eucharistic Prayer I (the Roman Canon) of the Mass, we hear a particular expression to the Communion of the Saints: "For ourselves, too, we ask some share in the fellowship of your apostles and martyrs, with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, (Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicity, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia) and all the saints.

May all the holy men and women, pray for us, as we journey to be with God.

God bless, Fr Michael

#### TODAY'S READINGS:

##### FIRST READING: Apocalypse 7:2-4 9-14

*I saw an immense crowd, beyond hope of counting, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language.*

**Psalm Response:** Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

##### SECOND READING: John 3:1-3

*We shall see God as he really is.*

##### GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

*Rejoice and be glad for your reward will be great in Heaven.*

#### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

##### 32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

Wisdom 6:12-16 + Thessalonians 4:13-18 + Matthew 25:1-13

#### (Suggested) HYMNS for SUNDAY MASSES

708 Holy God, We praise Thy name

371 For All the saints (4 vs)

355 I'll Sing a Hymn to Mary (Vs 1 & 3 only)

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY:

##### November

2 All Souls

12 Parish Movie Night

15 World Day of the Poor

22 First Holy Communion

28/29 Parish 24hr Adoration



Don't forget to sign up!

**THIS SUNDAY!** Join us for the Kalavale raffle and a cup of tea in the Amberley church hall. All parishioners are welcome after 9am Mass 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.

**ANNUAL LEAVE** Fr Michael is away on annual leave till mid November (although he may be sneaking home occasionally). Sarah our parish secretary will have the parish phone and will attend to any enquiries, messages will be checked by the end of each day at the latest. Several priests will be covering. Please make them feel welcome.

**PARISH'S 24 HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** This will be held on the weekend 28/29<sup>th</sup> November. Mark your diaries. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will commence in Hanmer, starting with Mass at 9.00am. It will continue until the Vigil Mass at 5pm on Saturday, and at 6.00pm Exposition will recommence in Amberley (Saturday) and conclude with a Benediction just before the 9.00am (Sunday) Mass.

There is a 'sign up' roster, at Hanmer and Amberley churches with the hope that at least two people will take an hour slot. Parishioners can turn up anytime, but the roster is to ensure that there is someone before the Blessed Sacrament all the time.

**ALERT LEVEL 1** Please continue to be vigilant. QR codes, sign up sheets, and hand sanitisers are still in the Church. This is the time to continue to use the codes so that if there is any community transmission we can stamp it out quickly and avoid full Lockdowns.

**2021 COLUMBAN CALENDARS** are now available to purchase in the church foyer for \$12 each.

**PARISH MOVIE NIGHT** 12th November 6.30pm at Amberley. Come along to the Amberley church hall for a movie, drinks and popcorn! Movie: "Letters to Fr Jacob". You can check out the trailer on Youtube.

**The Declaration of Independence, signed on  
October 28<sup>th</sup>, 1835 and invasion of Parihaka on the  
5<sup>th</sup> of November 1881.**

The Declaration of Independence was initiated by northern Rangatira. It is considered the first constitutional founding document of Aotearoa New Zealand and is thus the first recognition of New Zealand as an independent entity.

The Parihaka invasion is significant in that it is the first known case of nonviolent resistance in the world. Mahatma Gandhi heard about Parihaka while in South Africa and it inspired him to nonviolent resistance action in India which effectively led to the independence of India in 1948. We ask you to remember these events in your prayers and to pray for the protection and safety of all peace makers and peace builders around the world.

**THE LITTLE COMPANY OF MARY** Foundation Trust Board (LCM Foundation) is looking for a fellow Trustee to help with the delivery and advancement of their mission and ministry in the Christchurch area. To learn more about the ministry, the vacancy and how to apply, please visit [www.lcmchristchurch.org.nz](http://www.lcmchristchurch.org.nz).

**PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING** The National Leaders for Charismatic Renewal in NZ invite you to join them for an evening of Praise & Worship on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> November at 7-30pm at "Replenish" 776, Birch Hill Road, Rangiora (near Okuku). For further details please contact: Maureen Thow: 027 568 8338 03 313 2267 or Di Ingle: 027 300 9887

**CHARISMATIC RENEWAL** First Friday - 6<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm at Christ the King Church in Greers Road, Burnside. Everybody is welcome to join us for our regular monthly Charismatic Mass with Praise & Worship, prayer ministry and fellowship. Please bring a plate for shared supper after Mass. Any enquiries please contact Maureen mobile: 0275688338

**DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN** Our 20<sup>th</sup> birthday will be celebrated on November 14<sup>th</sup> at Christ The King parish centre from 1.00-3.00pm. Come along and enjoy hearing about the early days of Dove and share your own memories with us. All ladies warmly welcomed. Contact Ann 021 111 3963.

**A DAY WITH MARY** will be held at Sacred Heart Church, 70 Spencer St, Addington on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 9am-3pm. (Shared Lunch) For further info contact Ron 022 0970 627.

**JP2 CENTRE FUNDRAISER in lieu of Race Night** We cannot hold our annual Race Night fundraiser due to Covid level uncertainty but ask for your support with our Raffle Fundraisers:

**Pamper Hampers** \$10/ticket (7 prize baskets each with \$100 Carlton Dining Voucher and \$100 Ilam New World voucher plus edible goodies)

**JP2 Jumbo** \$50/ticket, 1 in 15 chance of winning 20 great prizes. See [www.jp2.org.nz](http://www.jp2.org.nz) for prize list.

Tickets will be sold after Parish Masses beginning 25<sup>th</sup> Oct and through the JP2 Centre 351 3225.

**OCDS NOVEMBER CARMELITE RETREAT** "For God so loved the world..." (John 3:16) Father Philip S., CSJ will be leading our upcoming November Retreat at Rochester Hall Friday, 13 Nov to Sunday, 15 Nov 2020 If you would like to join us, contact Megan Emery ph 027 410 6940 Or email: [benedictus@windowslive.com](mailto:benedictus@windowslive.com)

**VOCATIONS** The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference has endorsed the promotion of vocations. Fr Tien Cao is the Vocations Director for the Christchurch Diocese. If you have any queries at all and would like to talk about vocations please contact Fr Tien at [vocations.chch@gmail.com](mailto:vocations.chch@gmail.com)

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