



Parish of the Good Shepherd, Hurunui

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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31 July 2022

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil

5pm Hanmer Springs
(Every Saturday)

6:30pm Culverden
(1st, 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 Sanctuary of
Fourvière, Leithfield

Weekday Masses

Monday - Saturday
7am Amberley

Tuesday - Saturday
12pm Sanctuary of
Fourvière, Leithfield

Reconciliation

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

Rosary

Wednesday
1:30pm Amberley
Church Hall

*(Remember to base the Vigil
on the Sunday of the month)

This hoard of yours, who will it be?

This Sunday's Gospel (Luke 12:13-21) is a parable centred on a rich man who had just had a good harvest from his land. In the parable, God called the rich man a 'fool', not because he was rich, but because his life was focused on and preoccupied only with things that do not last: hoarding his riches.

St Cyril of Alexandria, a fifth century church father, explained:

"It is true that a person's life is not from one's possessions or because of having an overabundance. He who is rich toward God is very blessed and has glorious hope. Who is he? Evidently, one who does not love wealth but rather loves virtue, and to whom few things are sufficient. It is one whose hand is open to the needs of the poor, comforting the sorrows of those in poverty according to his means and the utmost of his power. He gathers in the storehouses that are above and lays up treasures in heaven. Such a one shall find the interest of his virtue and the reward of his right and blameless life". [Commentary on Luke, Homily 89]

As the saying goes: Shrouds have no pockets.

Blessings Fr Michael



FORMED - Free Access to All Parishioners

Its not too late to sign up. go to <https://formed.org/> It will give you lots of good Catholic material: Movies, documentaries, catechetical material to help you understand the Catholic faith. If you are not on the Parish mail-out, just make contact via email, and you will be guided on how to sign up for FREE. At Thursday's Parish Council meeting, Fr M explored the idea of community viewing from time to time, just to ensure parishioners make use of the resource. The next Community viewing will be in the Amberley Parish Hall in September. Watch this space!

If you have recommendations to make just emailed it to the parish with a summary of why you thought it was good.

This week's Recommended viewing: "Santiago: the Camino Within". Its about the Pilgrimage of St James known as the Camina de Santiago de Compostella. Several moves have been made of this recently, but most secular movies omitted the religious element. The Pilgrimage could be something you may wish to consider in the future.

<https://watch.formed.org/carousel/videos/santiago-the-camino-within>

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23
Vanity of vanities; all is vanity

Psalm Response:

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-5,9-11
*You must look for the things that are in heaven,
where Christ is*

GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21

*Fool! This very night your soul will be
demanded of you*



HYMNS for SUNDAY MASSES

795 I Heard the Voice of Jesus
820 Seek ye First
367 Salve Regina

MASS IN WAI AU THIS SUNDAY @ 11.30am as it is the 5th Sunday of the month: so there is **no** Mass in Culverden nor Cheviot. Free transport (and jokes) in Fr M's car if you turn up at Amberley before he leaves.



PARISH GATHERING!

The parish gathering that was intended in June will now be held in October. **Sunday 30 October**

Hawarden after 10.30am Mass

Join us after Mass (at Hawarden) for fun, food and for enjoying each others company, talents, cultural richness.... Please put in your **diary** now, and make an effort to come together for a parish event, and reach out to others: remember, a parish can also be a lonely place for some. With this space!

MASS OF THANKSGIVING will be celebrated by Fr Monty Bamford in our parish:

+ **Saturday 3rd September, Hanmer Springs & Culverden**

+ **Sunday 4th September, Amberley (1st Sunday's cuppa)** (Cheviot by Fr Prendeville to allow Fr Monty to mingle and have a cuppa in Amberley. Fr M intends to take his Annual leave the whole of September)

Last Sunday Fr Monty Bamford, Fr Michael Guthrie and Fr Michael Pui concelebrated the Mass: 3 priests at Mass. All claimed some 'historical' connections to Hawarden! Fr Monty: Baptised there, and ancestral parish. Fr Michael Guthrie: Ancestral parish. Fr Michael P: Supply priest in 2000!

DONATION GIFT TO FR MONTY: Thank you all who contributed through the parish. The gift will be sent to him next week, and Fr Michael intends to write to all donors who sent through the parish to thank them personally.

JUBILATE 2022: The diocese is hosting a series. The South and East parishes are bringing their talented parish and school choirs together. Come and join your voice in fervent choir singing and support our featured choirs. St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Tuesday 2nd August from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. All welcome and admission is free.

JOHN PAUL II CENTER FOR LIFE RACE NITE - The JP II Racenight is back. Friday September 2nd in the Silks Room at Addington Raceway for an evening of fun and help support the work of the JP II Centre for Life. Tickets are \$60 per person which includes entry and a two course meal with cash bar available. Contact Maria on info@jp2.org.nz or 022 503 9249 to reserve your ticket now.

INVEST IN CHRISTMAS JOY through a Catholic Development Fund Christmas Club Account. It allows you to enjoy the peace and joy that the birth of Jesus brings without unnecessary stress at what is often a busy and expensive time of year. Your savings are available from 1 December in time for Christmas celebrations or even summer holiday expenses. Let your account earn interest for you while doing good within our community. Contact: 0800 403 863 or www.cdf.org.nz

VOCATIONS: Fr Tien Cao is the Vocations Director for the Christchurch Diocese. If you have any queries or would like to talk about vocations contact Fr Tien at vocations.chch@gmail.com

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SAINTS OF THE WEEK

1 August: St Alphonsus Mary de' Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church, 1696-1787. Redemptorist monk. If you know your Italian Christmas Carol, "Tu Scendi Dalle Stelle" (You descend from the Stars), you may know that it was St Alphonsus who composed it. (Its one of Fr Michael's Favourites) St Alphonsus was a lover of beauty, a musician, painter, poet and author. His greatest contribution to the Church is in the area of Moral Theological reflection. Not surprisingly, he is the patron saint of Confessors and Moralists.

3 August: St Dominic, Priest: 1170-1221, founded the Dominican Order (also known as the Dominicans, or 'Order of Preachers'). In Latin Dominicanus can be split up into *Domini Canis*, or 'Hound/Dog of the Lord', thus earning him that nicknamed that identifies him with his zealous preaching.

4 August: St John Mary Vianney, or the 'Cure' of Ars', Priest 1786-1859 - Son of a peasant farmer who most people in his time dismissed as being 'slow', and was only ordained on account of his devoutness. When sent to the country parish of Aro, where he remained the rest of his life, he became a noted preacher and celebrated confessor. Some days he spent up to 18 hours in the confessional, so great was the demand, that eventually Are became a place of pilgrimage. Patron saint of Parish Priests!

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