



# Parish of the Good Shepherd, Hurunui

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

Amberley | Cheviot | Hawarden | Culverden | Waiiau | Hanmer Springs  
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### 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 Waiiau  
(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)

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

9 October 2022

#### One in ten....

This Sunday's Gospel (Luke 17:11-19) Our Lord encounters a group of lepers. Their suffering was more than their physical disfigurement and physical well being; they were also rejected by others. Our Lord cured all ten of them but only one returned to Him to express gratitude. Furthermore, he was a Samaritan, who as a people, are hated by the People of God. The Samaritan got the full benefit from his encounter with Jesus because he showed gratitude. "Stand up, your faith has saved you" he was told.

Gratitude is defined as 'the virtue by which a person acknowledges, interiorly and exteriorly, gifts received and seeks to make at least some return for the gift conferred. Essentially gratitude consists of an interior disposition, a grateful heart, but when genuine, it tries somehow to express itself in words and deeds. Consequently it includes three elements: acknowledgment that a gift has been received, appreciation (an expression of thankfulness), and as far as possible some return for what has been freely given with no obligation on the donor's part'. We would do well to reflect on how the Mass teaches us this virtue.

It is easy to dream of what we do not have. Perhaps it is time to count our blessings again, and be thankful for what we already have.

God bless, Fr Michael



\*Catholic Directory

### FORMED

Catholic Resource on-line. Fr Michael's Recommendation for this week:

"World Youth Day at Krakow". Its a 38 Minute video on the 2016 WYD that took place in Krakow. The next WYD is in Lisbon next year. For a lot of young people, attending it has been a life changing experience. I would encourage young adults to consider going to the next WYD in Lisbon. Perhaps view this as a family, and consider encouraging someone to go..... let Fr Michael know if you know of anyone thinking of going...



#### SUNDAY'S READINGS:

**FIRST READING: 2 Kings 5:14-17**  
*Naaman the leper returned to Elisha and acknowledged the Lord*

#### Psalm Response:

The Lord has revealed to the nations  
His saving power.

**SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-13**  
*If we hold firm then we shall reign with Christ*

**GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19**  
*No-one has come back to praise God, only this foreigner*

#### HYMNS for SUNDAY MASSES

427 Healer of your ever ill  
944 In the Lord I'll be ever thankful  
**Mo Maria**

Mo Maria aiane  
O tatou waiata;  
kia kaha ra tatou,  
kia nui te aroha.

*For Mary now Our songs  
Let us be strong  
Let there be great love*

Aroha ki te Atua  
Aroha ki a Maria  
I te Rangī, i te whenua  
āke tonu, āke tonu.

*Love God, Love Mary  
In heaven and on earth  
Forever and ever*

**OF YOUR CHARITY**, please pray for the happy repose of Fr Brian Parish who died on Thursday. Our condolences to Leon, his brother who is a parishioner in Hurunui. Fr Brian's Vigil will be on Monday 10th October at 7.00pm at St Mary's New Brighton, and his Requiem will be at the Pro Cathedral on Tuesday at 11.00am



## PARISH GATHERING 2022!

**Sunday 30 October, Hawarden**

In three weeks' time, it will be our Parish Gathering. Please put in your diary now, to be part of our parish community getting together for fun, food and for enjoying each others company, talents, cultural richness.... Please make an effort to come together to this parish event, and reach out to others: remember, a parish can also be a lonely place for some.

(NOTE: 30th October is the 5th weekend of the month, and it means Mass would normally be in Waiau and not Hawarden - However, on this occasion, we are cancelling Waiau, and having Mass in Hawarden instead (@10.30am), two Sundays in a row (i.e. 23 October and 30 October)

### Food & Drink

Bring some food and drink to share. Parish will provide a Filipino delicacy, a small suckling pig ('Lechon').

### Fun and sharing Talents

Karaoke, cultural items - please start thinking of what you can share. Let's show each other that Hurunui's Got Talent!

### Chairs & Trestles

Please if anyone could help with bringing trestles, gazebos and seatings

**WEEKDAY MASSES IN HANMER!** - but at the expense of Mass in Amberley! The priests' AGM is on the 18th October, and immediately after that, the priests are asked to gather in Hanmer for another meeting/conference for two nights. The priests will have their Masses (and open to the public) in Hanmer at 8.30am on Wednesday and Thursday 19th & 20th October (with a corresponding cancellation in Amberley)

*(A week after that one of the Masses in Amberley is likely to cancel as Fr Michael spends a day with an ex-classmate from the USA/Ireland - more info' later)*

**HOLY COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE** - While it is good to return to some normality now that the Bishops have lifted all liturgical restrictions related to Covid-19, we should still be aware that there are people in the parish community who have compromised health and immunity. Fr Michael suggests that, *as far as possible*, those who receive Holy Communion on the tongue, to do so by being at the end of the queue for Holy Communion. It's just a small consideration towards those who would otherwise feel at risk from the priest touching someone's tongue before giving them Holy Communion.

## SAINTS OF THE WEEK

**11 October: Pope St John XXIII, 1881-1963.** His name was Angelo Roncalli. Before he became Pope, he served the Holy See in various places including Bulgaria, Turkey and Greece., and later as a nuncio (diplomat/ambassador) to France. When he was created Cardinal, he was elected the Patriarch of Venice, and it was from there he was later elected Pope. He convoked the Vatican Council II, to have an "aggiornamento" in the Church. Often people translate that as a "renewal". Fr Michael often explains that it is more like an 'update' - like updating a software/application! If you read his biography or watch the movie about him, you would agree that he was truly saintly. Pope Francis canonised him. *(One day, we will have a Parish Movie about his life.....)*

**14 October: Pope St Callistus, Marry, ?-222.** Ex-slave turned Pope! When he was an archdeacon, he was in charged of the Roman Catacomb (underground burial place) in Rome which, today, bears his name. One of his gifts to the Church was his tackling of the controversy of the Donatist Schism. That Schism arose over the questions of those who during the Christian persecutions of Diocletian, had renounced their faith or surrendered Sacred Scriptures to the authorities. Conversely, there were those who flaunted their Christian faith to attract persecution/imprisonment to gain notoriety/admiration among Christians!

**15 October, St Teresa of Avila: Virgin, Carmelite nun. 1515-1582.** Entered the Carmelite Order at age 20, not because of any great attraction to religious life. At the time, Carmelite convents were comfortable places where one can even have servants and full contact with the outside world. Her prayer life and contemplation led her to seek a more perfect religious life, in 1562, in the face of huge opposition she set out to reform the way they lived, and founded the "Discalced" (Shoeless) Carmelite to signify their devotion to poverty and a simpler life focusing on God.

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