

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH PARNELL

Sunday Masses ~ Saturday Vigil 5 pm, Sunday 7 am & 9.30 am

Masses ~ Monday to Friday 12.10 pm

Masses Saturdays & Public Holidays 9 am

Reconciliation ~ Saturday 9.30am

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Parking in St John's Car Park

Those attending Sunday or weekday Masses do not need to pay if using the St John's car park. On a Sunday, you may leave your car in the car park for one hour after Mass (that is, till 11.30am) without payment. Cars left beyond that time could be towed away.

On weekdays, you have fifteen minutes after Mass only.

CATHEDRAL OF ST PATRICK & ST JOSEPH

43 Wyndham St, Auckland CBD

Sunday Mass

8am, 11am, 4.30pm, 7pm

Children's Liturgy at 8.00 am, 11.00 am & 4.30 pm

Diocesan Youth Mass last Sunday of month 7 pm

Weekdays

Mass Monday-Friday: 7.00 am & 12.15 pm

Saturdays & public holidays: 8.30 am

Exposition Holy Hour - Working weekdays 11 am

Reconciliation

Mondays to Fridays 11.30—12.10pm

(except Public Holidays)

Cathedral Parish Secretary

Rebecca Knibb

info@stpatricks.org.nz

Tel 09 3034509

www.stpatricks.org.nz

St Vincent de Paul & Foodbank: Tel 815 6122

ST BENEDICT'S NEWTON

1 St Benedict's Street (off Upper Queen St)

Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil 6 pm & Sunday 9.30 am,
5.30 pm in the crypt

Mass in Spanish: 12.00 pm the second & fourth
Sundays of the month.

Weekdays

Mass Monday - Friday: 7 am

Monday: 12.10 pm Liturgy of the Word
with Holy Communion

Tuesday - Friday: Mass 12.10 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 5pm- 5.45pm

St Benedict's Parish Secretary

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THIRTY~THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME ~ 17 NOVEMBER 2019

It is always a good news day for the media when some group or other is declaring that the end of the world is right around the corner, or indeed, is next Tuesday.

People gathering on hilltops, or building bunkers; there is lots for the cameras to show, and lots for people to laugh at.

At one level, laughter is unwise. These last weeks of the Church's year and the beginning of the new, once Advent starts, remind us of the fact that the world will end. Christ will come again, and what that means for us and the world is definitely worth thinking about.

But the mistake that too many people, including a distressing number of Christians over the centuries, make is thinking that we can know when it will be, and trying to predict exactly when it will be. It really isn't a mistake Christians should make. Our Lord himself told us that it wasn't for us to know, and in this Sunday's Gospel He specifically warns us about those who will say the time is near. Don't go with them, whether to the hilltop, or the bunker.

We do not, and are not meant to, know the timetable. What we do know is that we have tasks while we wait. Going on, as St Paul tells us, quietly doing our daily work. Speaking the Good News to the world, and not expecting that this will bring us triumph or great rewards. It may well, as Our Lord warns, bring opposition and difficulty. But that is where our focus must be, so that we make ourselves ready for the day, a day we won't necessarily expect or be able to predict, that will come for all the Earth. It will be the same for all the Earth, but how it will be experienced will be different for

each. For some, a day to fear, but to others, as the prophet Malachi tells us, a day of healing, a day of joy. Our task then is not to try to predict when that day will come, but to prepare ourselves so that, when it does, we will know it as the fulfilment of all we have been promised.

That is the message for us at the end of each year. Yes, the world will end, but that it not something to obsess about, or try to predict. It may, in fact, be next Tuesday. But it probably won't. But next Tuesday is a day, like today, that my life should be lived following the Lord's call for me. So that, even if it is the Last Day, I can look to it with hope and confidence.

*Fr Chris Denham,
St John the Baptist, Parnell*



ADVENT CAROL SERVICE & VESPERS

A service of Carols and Readings for the Season of Advent at the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph. Saturday, 30 November at 7.30 pm. All are welcome to share this tradition as we journey through Advent.

Please note there will be a retiring collection.

Validated parking is available at the Wilson car parks on Hobson Street (\$4) and Durham Lane (\$2 entry from Queen St only).



*Let the Harp, Trumpet and
Mountain sing for Joy*

- PSALM 98

Liturgy of the Word

~ **Malachi 3:19-20** For evildoers, the Day of the Lord will be a day of judgement; but for the upright it will be a day of salvation.

~ **Psalm 97** The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

~ **2 Thessalonians 3:7-12** As far as possible all should try to earn the food they eat.

~ **Gospel Luke 21:5-19** We hear a prediction of the destruction of the temple, and are told of the situation of Christians in a time of trial.

Next Week's readings: 2 Samuel 5:1-3; Psalm 121; 1 Corinthians 1:11-20; Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

For Sunday and weekday readings see: mobilegabriel.com AND www.livingtheword.org.nz

Presiding Priests this Sunday

Saturday Vigil at 5 pm Fr Chris Denham

7 am Fr Chris Denham

9.30 am Fr Chris Denham

Masses this Week at St John the Baptist

Monday to Friday 12.10pm

Saturday and Public Holidays 9am

Reconciliation Saturday 9.30am

Mass Time change for Next weekend

The Saturday Vigil Mass on the 23rd November for the Feast of Christ the King will be at 5:15 pm instead of the usual 5 pm. This is an investiture Mass for the members of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. The celebrant for this event will be Bishop Pat.

Rosary Prayer Group— Monday to Friday after the 12.10pm midday Mass here in church.

All are welcome to attend.

Florists needed—the parish is once again seeking volunteers who would like to help with the flower arrangements from time to time, approximately once a month, here in Church.

Please contact Felina on 373 3132 or email office@parnellcatholic.org.nz

Remembering Our Dead

During November we will remember our deceased family members and friends in prayer. Please write their names on the cards provided and place them inside the wooden box located beside the door at the back of the Church. This box will be placed before the altar during Mass.

Columban Calendar 2020—are now available for purchase after Mass this weekend at the Church foyer and in the Church office on weekdays for \$12 each.

An invitation from Human Islam

Seminar on "What is after 15th March?" Sunday, 24 November 4-6pm at 5i Apollo Drive, Mairangi Bay, Auckland.
Please RSVP to humanislam@outlook.com

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

Vacancy Administrative Assistant to the Leader of Pastoral Services

Catholic Diocese of Auckland is seeking an administration assistant. 4 hours a day Monday – Friday with occasional weekend and evening work.

Applications close 26 November 4 pm.

Executive Assistant – General Manager

The General Manager is looking for a highly capable and motivated Executive Assistant. This is a part time position (32 hours per week) The successful applicant will need to have proven executive assistant experience (3-4 years), have excellent verbal, written and interpersonal skills, superior organisation, administration and time management skills and a high level of integrity, professionalism and confidentiality.

Please visit www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz to view the full adverts and position descriptions and to apply for the roles.

Campus Minister— for St Mary's College.

A central Auckland girls' school Year 7 to 13

For 3-4 days a week. Term time only.

Commencing January 2020. The role of the Campus Minister is to provide Pastoral Care from a Catholic perspective to staff, students and the school community.

Visit www.stmaryak.school.nz/information/vacancies for a full job description and to download an application form. Send with CV & cover letter to principal@stmaryak.school.nz.

DRCNZ- Noah's Ark—DRCNZ (Potta) invites children aged 7 to 15 to the Seminar "Noah's Ark", on Saturday 30th November at Christ the King Church Meeting Room, Owairaka, from 10am to 1pm. The program is designed to nourish the children with valuable Life Lessons from Noah's Ark. is a free event. BYO Lunch. Please call Arthy on 0223193621 to express your interest. Visit www.drcnznewzealand for more details.

Taizé— join Brother Matthew from the Taizé Community at an Ecumenical and Prayer Reflection event on Tuesday 19 November at 7pm, Holy Trinity Cathedral, Parnell.

Volunteer Marriage Educators wanted

Are you a married couple of 10 years or more, strong in your faith and you have up to 2 hours a week to assist engaged couples on their marriage preparation journey? There is specific training provided to support you in this role.

They are especially looking for married couples who are fluent in English and either Māori, Samoan, Tongan or Mandarin. Please see the noticeboard for more information or email Gerry at gerrys@cda.org.nz or phone 360 3025.

2020 Pilgrimage to Europe for Passion Play

Prague – Budapest – Vienna – Salzburg – Oberammergau – Munich – Lucerne. 26 August to 16 September. With an optional extension 15 September to 26 September 2020.

Chaplain: Monsignor David Tonks. Inquiries to Laura at laura@skytrain.co.nz or 09 921 5106.

Pilgrimage—The Joy of Discovery

(following the footsteps of the Lord) with Fr Sherwin Lapaan. The joy of discovering the richness of the Holy Land and growing in faith through this pilgrimage. 15-29 June 2020 via Seoul, Korea. Limited number. Email Laura Yap at laura@skytrain.co.nz for more information.

YOUNG ADULTS

Outreach – for people 18-30s - For more information contact Rochelle on 022 309 2022.

Last Diocesan Youth Mass for 2019 - Sunday 24 November at 7 pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. Life Teen parishes from across Auckland will come together to host this Mass. For more information, contact felicity at felicitym@cda.org.nz.

The Oceania Catholic Young Leaders Summit

A weekend full of teaching, empowering and equipping youth leaders with skills and tools to evangelise and accompany our young people. From 6-8 December at Sacred Heart College, Auckland. Live out \$120, live in \$200.

For more information email oceaniacatholicyouth@gmail.com.



The 5th World Apostolic Congress on Mercy (WACOM) will be held in Samoa on 10-15 August 2020. The theme is "Divine Mercy – the Ocean of Love that Envelops the Whole World".

Registration is now open until 30 November. For further details, please visit the website: <https://wacom5samoa2020.com/registration>.

NZ Catholic Newspaper

Available in the foyer for \$4 per copy.

Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially:

Francine Morais, Yaroslav Khmel, Ann Sayegh, Steve Mascarenhas, Dori Handa, Patricia Devereaux, Maree C, Guozhi Wang, Chris Dwyer, Linus Broughton, Emy Calma, Peter Gheradi, Sue Wynne Davis, Michael Wong, AS, Sepi Fe'ao, Patricia Wright, Maurice Robinson, Alana North, Bonifacio Sanches, Michael Swann, Alice Swann, Kirei Tua, Gavin Alexander, Yuliang Liu, Ivy Hi, Mary Bratton, Julie Nicholls, Joy Agon, Chonusi William, Eric & Rachel Smith, Francisco Billinilanz, Benny Clynes, Baby Uji, Tom Keane, Linda Mole, Lynn Barnett Welsh, Brendan McFadden, Christopher Browne, Barry Spooner, BC, Rosily Chacko, Bronwyn Ryan, Anne Telles, Nicholas James, Judy Hanna, Pamela Vincent, Neira, Roy Carroll, Luigi Rocca, Shane McGruddy, Michelle Bergin, Jon Manson, J. Harrington, Bunt Hart, Rodolfo Paragas, Frank Van Nieukerk, Rosa Santos, John Kainuku, Noeline Levick, Ben Hunt, Jane Ireland, Marie Mole, Maria Martho, Serena Coughy, Jin Shu Qin, Ellie Blackwell, Jill Hopgood-Luyers, Rosita Galarg, Teana Jones, Thilsi Vern, Martin Harriman, Virgilia Velasquez, Sheila Birnie, Wilfred Mansoor, Ann Gordon, Adelaida Sison, Baden McPherson, Peggy Bell-Booth, Shannon Kavanagh, John & Gloria Gillespie.

We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time . . .

Eddie Ierenino, Manus Gallagher, Robert Whiting, Anne Mendrano, Melkia Thavethoo, Sr Helen O'Neill rsm, Dame Sr Pauline Engel rsm, Margaret Wilke, Stephanie Hoyle, Linda Ward, Oscar Lacuna, Lorenza Inigo, Betty Robinson, Molly Novak, Toni Johnston, Mark Farac, Gerry Dooley, Linda Ward, Vili Filo, Tony White, Sr Cecilia Maher rsm, James Waldron, Don Gordon, Evelyn McGilly, Linda Ward, Michael Goodwin, Gail Layborne, Isabel Acuna, Patrick Keenan, Kevin Ryan, Zinaida Ponomareva, Fr Hans Bachman, Steve Munro, Johnny McCarthy, Br Clarent Glynn FMS, Alfred Santos, Fr Humphrey O'Leary CSsR, Richard Tapley, Albert Reardon, Ong Siew Eng, Anthony Yco, Josebelle Filipino, Fa'asima Muliumu, Fifita Ramaula, Florence McCarthy, Antonio Guzzo, Fr Dominic O'Neill

. . . Eternal rest grant to them.