

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

Wednesday - Friday: Mass 12.10 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 5pm- 5.45pm

St Benedict's Parish Secretary

Catherine van Veen

office@stbenedictsaukland.org.nz

Tel 09 3790624

www.newtoncatholic.org.nz



The Square Gift Shop: Tel 365 1693

WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

There Jesus
proclaimed the
Good News of
God.

Mark 1:14

Deepening our appreciation, love and
faithful witness to God and God's
Word.



Let's take a

WALK through the MASS

An opportunity to deepen our understanding of the
Mass, its words and gestures, and explore
what is meant by our 'participation'.

Saturday March 20th 9.30 - 1.00pm

Our Lady of the Assumption

130 Church St

Onehunga



Morning tea provided
Donations welcome

Please register email: liturgycentre@cda.org.nz
The Liturgy Centre - Catholic Diocese of Auckland



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ST PETER'S
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THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME ~ 24 JANUARY 2021

This Sunday we celebrate the Word of God that was first promulgated by Pope Francis in 2019, with the intention that the faithful would have an opportunity to rediscover the constant dialogue that God desires to have with his people. The emphasis on the word of God affords the faithful a time to receive nourishment from depths of the scripture, for the word of God is alive and gives life to those who read it with faith. On this particular Sunday we are reminded of the historical and cultural roots of the scriptures and the deep faith history of the Jewish people, which is fulfilled in the coming of the Christ. The coming of Jesus as the Christ and the proclamation of the Gospel was done to bring the nations (us) together with the nation (Israel), God through his Word, Jesus the Christ, desires to draw all peoples to himself.

The word of God is a complete narrative about the Messiah, the Old Testament tells us all about Jesus in a very veiled way, and the New Testament unpacks all the prophecies of his coming laid down in the Old Testament. The scriptures are a love story between God and us, the scriptures are one of the ordinary ways for us to know and grow to love God. God reveals his nature to us over the course of salvation history, gradually building the relationship until Jesus as the incarnate Word of God came to dwell among us, and became like us, in all things except sin (Hebrews 2:17). The Word of God took on our nature so that he could elevate us in his divine nature.

The scriptures are the divinely inspired record of God's invitation to us to be part of his family. Therefore, reading the

scriptures is a way of getting to know the members of your family in Christ. The scriptures are never exhausted as they are a living text, God always desires us to grow closer in our familial bond. Our liturgy refers to the scriptures at every turn, and in the readings of the mass the Church has selected texts that are related in order to shed light on a certain area of the faith.

The gift of faith that God gives to each one of us is a deeply personal gift, and it requires a personal response on our part. We cannot grow in faith for someone else, and someone else cannot grow in faith for us, it is a relationship that we are responsible for. This relationship that God wishes to cultivate with you has no end, as it stems from God's limitless love for us. God waits for us to come and encounter him in his word.

The prayerful practice of Lectio divina is a practical way for you to encounter God in the texts of scripture. This is most easily done by reading a passage of the Gospel accounts, and through the use of your imagination, placing yourself in the story as you slowly read the text over. This is repeated several times for the same text, and in between the time spent prayerfully reading the text you can ask Jesus these questions; where am I in this story? What is happening around me? Why are things unfolding in this way? And, Jesus what do you want to tell or show me?

Blessings, Fr Tony King-Archer
Assistant Priest
Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph



Liturgy of the Word

~ **Jonah 3:1–5.10** The preaching of Jonah met with an immediate response in the pagan city of Nineveh.

~ **Psalm 24** Teach me your ways, O Lord.

~ **1 Corinthians 7:29–31** Believing that the return of the Lord was imminent, Paul counsels an attitude of detachment from the things of this world.

~ **Gospel Mark 1:14–20** Jesus begins to preach and calls his first disciples.

Next Week's readings: Deuteronomy 18:15–2; Psalm 94; 1 Corinthians 7:32–3; Mark 1:21–28

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

Alert Level 1 at St John

Now that we are in Alert Level 1, we continue to encourage everyone either visiting the Church or attending Masses to keep a record of your visit by Scanning the QR codes on display at the Church entrances when you arrive.

Hand Sanitisers are also provided for you to use. Wearing of facemasks is no longer mandatory. If you or anyone in your family is sick or unwell, please stay home.

Presiding Priest this Sunday

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| Saturday Vigil 5pm | Fr Chris Denham |
| Sunday 7am | Fr Chris Denham |
| Sunday 9.30am | Fr Chris Denham |

Thank you and Welcome— on Sunday, 31st January, there will be an opportunity to thank and farewell Fr Chris Denham.

On this occasion we will also welcome our incoming parish priest Fr John Tollan. We will gather at Notting Hill Kitchen 162-168 Parnell Road from 10.30am onwards for refreshments and an opportunity to personally thank Fr Chris for his service to our parish over the last 4 years.

New Parish Priest— Bishop Pat has appointed Fr John Tollan as the new Parish Priest for Parnell. He will move into the presbytery and take up his appointment during the first week of February.

Rosary prayer group—weekdays after the 12.10pm Mass here in church.

Everyone welcome.

Church Flower Ministry

We are in need of parishioners who would like to join our small group that provide the beautiful flower arrangements here in church. If you would like to volunteer and share your talent, please get in touch with Felina in the office. Email office@parnellcatholic.org.nz.

Mass at the PEACE PLACE - Saturdays 8 am
22 Emily Pl, Auckland CBD.

St John the Baptist Church Organ Fund

The Parish Finance Committee has given the approval for our parish to purchase a new Church Organ. This will replace the old one (that's been used for 30 years) that broke down several weeks ago. At the moment, the parish is renting an organ for our Musicians to use during our weekend Masses. The estimated cost to get the new organ would be between \$30,000 and \$40,000. We have set up a Church Organ Fund to help our parish achieve this. For your donations, please send them to:

BNZ Parnell Parish 02-0100-0120982-014.

Indicate your "Initials & surname" (for example: PBrowne) in the Particulars and "OrganFund" on the Reference. To get a tax receipt, email your details to office@parnellcatholic.org.nz. We thank you for your generosity.



Mass for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired

Deaf friendly Mass with NZSL the first for 2021, 12 pm, Sunday 14 February 12 at the Poynton Room, Pompallier Catholic Centre, 30 New St, Ponsonby. Bring something for shared lunch.

Ecumenism— one possible answer for a contemporary New Zealand with Dr Rocio Figueroa of Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College facilitated by Catholic Diocese of Auckland Commission for Ecumenism.

7 pm Tuesday 23 February. At the Poynton Room, Pompallier Catholic Centre, 30 New St, Ponsonby. Register at pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz

Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Session: Who am?— Reflecting on our Identity in God with Eamon Butler. Saturday, 30 January, 10.30am-4pm. Fee: \$60, ZOOM <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/virtual-retreat-day-with-eamon-butler-who-am-i/>.

Online Sessions (Evening): The Passion of Jesus Christ- with Br Kieran Fenn who has a wonderful way of bringing Scripture alive. 4 Mondays in March, 7-8.30pm. Fee: \$25/session. ZOOM.

All sessions are connected but also stand alone. Start: 01 March <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/the-passion-of-jesus-christ-with-kieran-fenn-fms/>

To register and for further information on all courses email info@studyjoy.nz

Vacancy - Pregnancy Help has a vacancy for an Honorary Treasurer for its Auckland Branch. Pregnancy Help is a charitable organisation that assists vulnerable pregnant women and women in troubled pregnancies offering a range of free services and practical help. If you are a qualified accountant and can assist, please email Laura at auckland@pregnancyhelp.org.nz.

This position is not paid.

NZ Catholic Newspaper—The first edition for 2021 is available in the foyer for \$4.

ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS

For those in their 20s-30s interested in young adult groups/events in the Auckland Diocese, please contact Rochelle (rochelled@cda.org.nz) or 022 309 2022.

Columban Calendars 2021 - are available to purchase at the Parish Office during office hours and on weekends after Mass. \$12 each, cash only please.

St Leo's Catholic School, Devonport—is a small Catholic school a short ferry ride from the city centre. They welcome all primary aged pupils. After school care is available and they may be able to arrange to have an adult accompany your children to and from the Auckland ferry terminal. For further information phone 4459339 or email Maureen Harris at principal@stleos.school.nz.

Marist Catholic School Herne Bay— is a primary school (Year 0-6) located in Kelmarna Ave Herne Bay only 3.3kms from the city centre. Students receive an excellent education involving Catholic values. Enrolment forms are available at <https://maristhernebay.school.nz/our-school/enrolment/>. Once completed email to principal@maristschool.co.nz.

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

Helena Hamlin, Samira & Raj, John Sullivan, James L. Cu, Sepi Fe'ao, Teresa Gudex, Ana Laura Robles, Dolly P, Ana Denisse Manjarrez, Brian Murphy, AS, Christopher Hughes, Alberto Olarte, Sue Bedford, Graeme Owens, Joe Raymond, Ben Hunt, Ambi Joseph, Ivy Hi, Royston Beckham, Margaret Everett, John & Rosa Williams, Ann Sayegh, Marie Mole, Linda Mole, Fr Andrei Centeno, Mary Bratton, Elizabeth Beckham, Alana North, Chris Dwyer, Maurice Robinson, Michael Wong, Maree C, Kanawhat Cheevachit, Alice Swann, Yaroslav Khmel, Linus Broughton, BC, Emy Calma, Sue Wynne Davis, Rosily Chacko, Patricia Wright, Luigi & Dawn Rocca, Kirei Tua, Jane Ireland, Bonifacio Sanches, Joy Agon, Gavin Alexander, Chonusi William, Buntly Hart, Anne Telles, Eric & Rachel Smith, Maria Martho, Rosa Santos, Jon Manson, Francisco Billinilanz, Benny Clynes, Lynn Barnett Welsh, Thilsi Vern, Neira, Christopher Browne, Barry Spooner, Bronwyn Ryan, Sheila Birnie, Nicholas James, Judy Hanna, Pamela Vincent, Shane McGruddy, Michelle Bergin, Rosita Galarg, Teana Jones, J. Harrington, Rodolfo Paragas, Serena Coughy, Martin Harriman, Ann Gordon, Frank Van Nieukerk, John Kainuku, Noeline Levick, Jin Shu Qin, Jill Hopgood-Luyters, Virgilia Velasquez, Wilfred Mansoor, Adelaida Sison, Baden McPherson, Shannon Kavanagh, Gloria Gillespie.

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

Mina Smith, Antonio Romero II, Jenny Wallace, Frank Mc Geever, Sr Pauline Gallagher rsm, Sr Mary d'Apice rscj, Br Joe McDermott FMS, Harold Serpis, Lucy Vittachi, Mary Ann McKinney, Neil Collins, Fr Graeme Blackburn, Walter Tipene, Peter Lynch, Fr Iosefo Rauvere, Tui Va'aa, Gloria Petica, Edison Pinto, Msgr J Lyons, John Foley, Sr Moyra Dunn rsm, Catherine Cooney, Sr Analulu Tanuvasa sm, Ian Sharkey, Patricia Shaw, John Swinkels, Bishop John Mackey, Albino Ahas, Laura Richardson, Ron Moody, Joy Bannister, Mei Li Tham, Brian Cory, Siri Nanyambara, Patricia Wootton, Sr Mary Concannon OP, Tony Green, Michael Page, Georgie Palamattath, Linda Doran, Rinske Ryder, Allen Such, Dale Delany, Raymond Staka, Cecilia Navera, Jennifer Conyers-McKenzie, Jessie De Castro, Rodolfo Perez, Patrick O'Keefe, Sr Patricia Hackett rsm, Eduard Ghilardi, Alfredo Cagucia, John Laidler MHM, John Brennan, Ana Marinovich, Carol Date Chong, Dennis Mallard, Eric Mallard, Michael Maher, Joseph O'Keefe, Fr Charlie Murray mhm, Michael Amos, Leo Creedin, Rosa Zumaeta de Egusquiza, Fr John Flanagan, Fr Clement Evans, Anita Geraghty, Maurice Schaeffer . . . *Eternal rest grant to them.*