

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

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The Square Gift Shop: Tel 365 1693

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ 18 APRIL 2021

During the season of Eastertide, we see God's plan for humanity revealed in its entirety. We have walked with Jesus and listened to his message for us, his desire to bring us into his family. We bore witness to Christ's ultimate sacrifice on the Cross so that we might be rescued from death. Jesus calls us, his family, to share in the great reward that he won for us, Jesus' love for us is so great that he returned to us early on the third day and immediately goes about ministering the graces he has won for all those who follow him.

We see this in how Jesus first appeared to Mary Magdalene outside of the tomb on the morning of the first day of the week. Jesus also ministered to the two disciples who were walking on their way to Emmaus and again Jesus appeared to Peter and then to the 11.

When Jesus appeared, we hear his words "Peace be with you", the first words from his lips are a gift to us. Jesus offered a gift to the Apostles and Disciples that only God could give, a great gift won for them on the Cross, a gift that can sometimes be overlooked because of the many other great wonders being worked by the risen Christ. This peace is a gift of himself to us, something that we can hold onto until we meet Christ face to face. It is a foretaste of the life to come, it is a spiritual advance of our heavenly reward. This is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit given to the followers of Jesus in every generation.

The invitation to receive this gift occurs often throughout the accounts of Christ's appearances after the resurrection. It is also a gift that is offered to us from Baptism and frequently thereafter as we continue to grow in the spiritual life. This gift of peace is offered to us anew each time we come to participate in

the celebration of the Eucharist. Just after the Eucharistic Prayer but before we receive communion, we hear the words "the Peace of the Lord be with you always," This is a gift directly from God, offered in the same way as it was offered to the Apostles when Christ appeared to them. This gift of Peace from our Eucharistic Lord is bestowed to help and reassure us in this life, it confirms to us the love that God has for us. It is a small foretaste of the great freedom certainty that comes from our union with Christ, it is a gift of reassurance a confirmation of God's love for us and a support given to us at every stage of our life. It is a foretaste of what life with Christ will be like in eternity, it is a foretaste of Heaven, where all things will come to their completion in Christ, and where we will share in every great gift that Christ won for us on the Cross.

*Easter blessings - Fr Tony King-Archer
Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph*

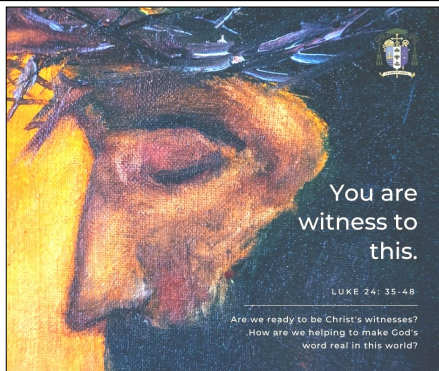
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Earth Day 2021 ~ Thursday 22nd April
"Restore our Earth".

Reflecting Pope Francis' call to care for the earth as our Common Home you are 'encouraged to say this short prayer which Pope Francis' gave us for the fifth 'Anniversary of the Encyclical Laudato Si' (May 2020):

*'Loving God, Creator of Heaven, Earth,
and all therein contained.*

*Open our minds and touch our hearts,
so that we can be part of Creation your gift
....enable us to succeed in listening
and responding to the cry of the Earth
and the cry of the poor'*



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St John the Baptist Parish
244 Parnell Rd, Parnell, Auckland

Liturgy of the Word

~ **Acts 3:13-15.17-19** This reading is an early explanation of the Passion and an example of the early witness to the resurrection.

~ **Psalm 4** Lord, let your face shine on us

~ **1 John 2:1-5** We show that we know God by keeping his commandments. But when we fail, Christ intercedes for us with the Father.

~ **Gospel Luke 24:35-48** Jesus appears to the apostles, and commissions them to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Next Week's readings: Acts 4:8-12; Psalm 118; 1 John 3:1-2; Gospel: John 10:11-18

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

Alert Level 1 at St John

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

Saturday Vigil 5pm Fr Francis Poon
Sunday 7am Fr Francis Poon
Sunday 9.30am Fr Francis Poon

Masses this Week at St John the Baptist

Monday to Friday 12.10pm
Saturday and Public Holidays 9am
Reconciliation Saturday 9.30am

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

Ministers of the Word – We are looking for volunteers to help proclaim the word for our weekend Masses. Readers are rostered and usually commit to doing it once or twice a month. Full training will be provided. We will also run a short refresher training for our current Readers at the same time next month in May.

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Communion

We need parishioners to help distribute Holy Communion during our Masses. Volunteers will be rostered about once or twice a month.

Training will be provided.

For enquiries regarding either ministries please, contact Felina at the parish office.

Email: office@parnellcatholic.org.nz

Planned Giving Envelopes - For those enrolled in the Parish Planned giving, the new batch of envelopes are available and ready for pick-up at the Foyer. For those who would like join in the Planned Giving using the envelopes, please enquire at the Parish Office.

Bishops' Forums 2021

Bishops Pat and Michael invite you to join them at one of the 2021 Bishop Forums:

- 5 May, 7.30-9.30 pm St Joseph Takapuna, Church Hall
- 11 May, 7.30-9.30 pm Christ the King Owairaka, Church
- 27 May, 7.30-9.30 pm St Anne's Manurewa, Church Hall

Celebrating 25th Anniversary of Pope John Paull II letter on "Ut Unum Sint That They May All Be One"

The Catholic Diocese of Auckland Commission for Ecumenism is hosting a public lecture on Ecumenism, by Dr Sarah Hart, theologian and lecturer at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College. **Revisiting Ut Unum Sint** after 25 years – a biblical perspective. Tuesday 27th April at 7 pm at St Therese Catholic Church, 10 Wickman Way, Mangere. Light refreshments provided.

Sisters of Mercy Centenary Celebration, Epsom

As part of this year's centennial celebrations of the Parish and School at Epsom, the Sisters of Mercy invite parishioners, students and parents to join with them after 10am Mass, Sunday 2 May, on the anniversary of the Sisters of Mercy moving into the house at 104 The Drive, Epsom to start the school. This is an opportunity to come and see Cecilia Maher House and facilities, wander through the grounds, view displays and enjoy light refreshments. Come and celebrate a century of Mercy women and their helpers who have served in the parish. For the purposes of catering please register your interest to attend.

Registrations are open on the Our Lady of the Sacred Heart parish website <https://epsomcatholic.org.nz/centennial/>

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

Shine TV Mass— Mass will be broadcast at 2pm on Shine TV Channel 25 or Sky channel 201. It will be available online at the Auckland Diocese YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=auckland+catholic+channel+masses

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.

NZ Catholic Newspaper—The latest edition is available in the main 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.

Online study reflection looking at Climate Change

-This online study is over two weeks beginning Tuesday 27th of April, 7.30pm to 9pm. This study will explore how climate change and degradation of the Earth impacts all our lives and looks at choices and actions that can help us in this new reality. Enrol by 20th April, emailing paxchristiaotearoa@gmail.com.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy Online Sessions (Evening): The Resurrection of Jesus Christ with Br Kieran Fenn.
Monday 03, 10, 17, 20 May, 7-8.30pm.
Fee: \$25/session. ZOOM.

All sessions are connected but also stand alone. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/the-resurrection-of-jesus-christ-with-br-kieran-fenn-5/>

Interviews on Muffin Talk— with Br Kieran Fenn, Prof Thomas O'Loughlin and others are available at: <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>. For more information and to register email info@studyjoy.nz

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

Annabel Kalin, Dennis Matthew, Marlee Owens, Samira & Raj, John Sullivan, James L. Cu, Sepi Fe'ao, Teresa Gudex, Ana Laura Robles, Ana Denisse Manjarrez, Brian Murphy, AS, Christopher Hughes, Alberto Olarte, Sue Bedford, Joe Raymond, Ben Hunt, Ambi Joseph, Ivy Hi, Kirei'ua, Royston Beckham, Margaret Everett, John & Rosa Williams, Ann Sayegh, Marie Mole, Linda Mole, BC, Fr Andrei Centeno, Mary Bratton, Anne Telles, Elizabeth Beckham, Alana North, Chris Dwyer, Maurice Robinson, Michael Wong, Maree C, Yaroslav Khmel, Kanawath Cheevachit, Alice Swann, Dolly P, Linus Broughton, Emy Calma, Sue Wynne Davis, Rosily Chacko, Patricia Wright, Thilsi Vern, Luigi & Dawn Rocca, Bonifacio Sanches, Joy Agon, Gavin Alexander, Rosa Santos, Chonusi William, Eric & Rachel Smith, Maria Martho, Jon Manson, Francisco Billinilanz, Benny Clynes, Judy Hanna, Lynn Barnett Welsh, Neira, Christopher Browne, Barry Spooner, Nicholas James, 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, Adelaida Sison, Jill Hoppood-Luyters, Virgilia Velasquez, Wilfred Mansoor, Baden McPherson, Shannon Kavanagh, Gloria Gillespie.

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

Vivian Obillos, Framina Davis, Coralie Eagle, Porfiria Caro, Gloria Mitchell, Len Fahey, Elma Penney, Anita Malcon, Harry Nash, Susana Soncuya, Marciana Bautista Abrogena, Queenie Taito Tusa, Patrick Regan, Angelina Licayan, Kay Black, Alan Edwards, Sr Margaret Fahey OP, Kathleen Morris, Peter Hynes, Fr Paul Philbert OP, Dorothy Lee, Patsy Dwyer, Teodora Uyttingco, Tom Hall, Ricardo 'Jim' Castro, Danny Shanahan, Araceli Cruz, Glen Rigg, Katherine Toland, Miguelito Son, Peter Ryan, Barbara McKinney, Henry D'Souza, Leandro Gonzales, Hooi Peng Cheong, Denzil Menezes, Portia Robb, Br Kevin Hore, Gerard Reid, Lester Ramos, Apolonia Jumamoy, Caroline Mitchell, Marie Stanton, Sr Elizabeth (Margaret) Findlay, Larry Ross, Ben Abrigo, Maurice Schischka, Bonnie McCafferty, Bruce Christmas, Fr Pat Littlewood MHM, Fr Brendan Sherry, Fr Paul Duncan, Brian Cronin, Fr Tony Davies IC, Eileen O'Connor, Cliff Johnson, Michael Veen, Marie Heffernan, Philippa Geaney, Tito Guleng, Consolacion Mangahas, Apparicion Santiago, Ans Vogels, Dominic (Felix) Vaggioli OSB, Luz Dela Cruz, Yun-Ae Kim, Asuncion Lopez, Eileen Malone, John Fernandes, Philippa Geaney, Robert Beveridge, Clare Bennett, Frank Douglas, Larry Pope . . . *Eternal rest grant to them.*