

# 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

Parish Priest ~ Father Francis Poon: email revfpoon@gmail.com ~ Presbytery: (09) 300 6372  
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[www.parnellcatholic.org.nz](http://www.parnellcatholic.org.nz)

### 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](http://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

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The Square Gift Shop: Tel 365 1693

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 1 ST BENEDICT'S ST  
 NEWTON



CATHEDRAL OF  
 ST PATRICK & ST JOSEPH  
 43 WYNDHAM ST, AUCKLAND 1010



ST JOHN THE BAPTIST  
 244 PARNELL ROAD  
 AUCKLAND 1052



ST PETER'S  
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## EASTER SUNDAY ~ 4 APRIL 2021

In the lead up to the Easter Triduum, through the forty days of Lent, there is a heightened awareness of sin. At the heart of sin is seeing human beings as things which can be used or made to fit our desires. And the natural expression of the culture of sin in which we live is the reality of death. It is that most solemn fact of our lives, we and all those whom we love, are going to die. In death the person you love is there one moment, and gone the next. Death removes the person and leaves only a body.

All of us live with this as our ultimate horizon; in the end death will reduce us to things, objects in a world of objects. It is something I have faced this myself, contemplating the death of those whom I've loved very much. What are we left with when our loved ones die? Graves, photographs and memories. Our only connection to the persons we have loved are things, places, thoughts, bits of paper. It isn't enough.

But at Easter we find ourselves contemplating with joy, not sin, but the Resurrection. The Resurrection of Jesus is God's final word spoken in the face of death and sin. The women go to the tomb early in the morning to anoint the remains of the Jesus they have loved. And they find the tomb empty, with an angel seated where the body of Jesus had been: You seek Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified. He has been raised. He is not here.

Jesus has gone before them and will see them in Galilee. The old culture of sin has been ripped apart, from top to bottom. This Jesus cannot be contained, kept, or even treasured, in the cold stone of our earth. He has risen, and has gone before us.

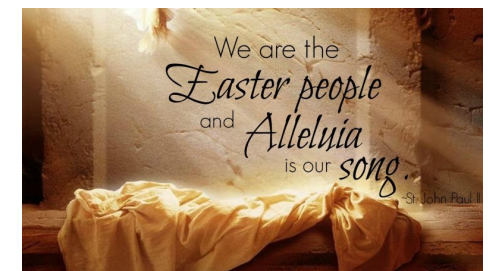
The Resurrection is the sudden declaration by God that we are someone and never just something. From now on, to be a disciple of Jesus is to be seized by the belief that remains and memories are not all there is; to know in fact that those we love and, in the end, we ourselves, are called to follow Christ where he has gone – to death and then through death to the fulfilment of who we are. Then the physical reminders will not be needed, because our tombs too will be empty.

May this hope and joy fill all your hearts in this Easter season. In His everlasting life.

**Fr Chris Denham**

**Dean,**

**Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph**



## Liturgy of the Word

~Acts 10:34-37-43 This is part of an early sermon of Peter.

~ Psalm 118 This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

~ Colossians 3:1-34 Through our Baptism we already share in the risen life of Christ, though in a hidden and mysterious way.

~ Gospel John 20:1-9 On discovering that Jesus' tomb is empty, the disciples begin to grasp what the Scriptures had foretold, namely, that he would rise from the dead.

**Next Week's readings: Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 118; 1 John 5:1-6; Gospel: John 20:19-31**

For Sunday and weekday readings see: [mobilegabriel.com](http://mobilegabriel.com) AND [www.livingtheword.org.nz](http://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

### Mass times this week at St John the Baptist

5 April Easter Monday (public Holiday) 9 am  
Tuesday to Friday 12.10pm

Saturday 9am—Reconciliation follows at 9.30 am

### Easter Sunday Shine TV Mass – Easter Sunday

Mass will be broadcast at 2pm on Shine TV channel 25 or Sky channel 201. Mass was pre-recorded at the Cathedral and celebrated by Bishop Michael Gielen. It will also be available online at the Auckland Diocese YouTube channel [https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=auckland+catholic+channel+masses](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=auckland+catholic+channel+masses)

**Ministers of the Word** – We are once again 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 be doing a short refresher training for our current Readers at the same time this coming May. For more info contact Felina on 09 373 3132 or [office@parnellcatholic.org.nz](mailto:office@parnellcatholic.org.nz).



**NZ Catholic Newspaper**—The latest edition is available in the main foyer for \$4.



### For the Parish Volunteers - Safeguarding Training

For our volunteers in ministries dealing with Children, the elderly and other vulnerable adults or are wanting to become part in our ministry that works or deals closely with those mentioned, you are warmly invited to attend a safeguarding training session here in Church on Monday 12 April at 7pm. This is a one-off session which lasts for approximately 1.5hrs. For more details or to RSVP please contact Felina, Parish Safeguarding Coordinator for Parnell via email [office@parnellcatholic.org.nz](mailto:office@parnellcatholic.org.nz). See poster in notice board.

**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.

### Catholic Caring Foundation Accepting Grant Applications, 2021

Through donations, the Caring Foundation is able to support Catholic and local social service providers that strengthen or support families, individuals and communities in need. They are accepting grant applications until April 9th, 2021. To download a grant application form and to find out who can apply, visit [www.caringfoundation.org.nz](http://www.caringfoundation.org.nz).

### Auckland Diocesan Vacancies

#### Administration Assistant—Part Time

To provide administration and logistical support to the Leader Pastoral Services Group and Vicar for Education. 20 hours per week.

#### Manager Ministries to Young People—Full Time

This role is responsible for ensuring a collaborative outreach to young people is the diocese to provide a clear direction and coordinated approach of Catholic ministry to young people. To deliver the goals of the Diocesan Mission Map particularly those under the priority to build up the spirituality of our young people.

For a full position descriptions, please visit the Diocesan website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/> Applications close 9 April 2021.

#### Vacancy - St Anne's Parish Manurewa.

St Anne's Manurewa is looking for a highly capable and motivated Parish Operations Manager for 22 hours per week, including some evening meetings. See the full job description and a link to the online application visit [www.manurewacatholic.org.nz](http://www.manurewacatholic.org.nz). Apply today and become part of the close-knit, hands-on team at the heart of the St Anne's Catholic Parish.

### 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](mailto:rochelled@cda.org.nz)) or 022 309 2022.



**St Mark Catholic Mission Parish**—is celebrating its 50th Jubilee Year (1971-2021) on 18 April 2021, Sunday, 10AM, with an outdoor Mass at the Parish School Ground with Bishop Michael Gielen as the main presider. For further information, please call the office 09 576 7959 or email us at [admin@stmark.org.nz](mailto:admin@stmark.org.nz).

**Divine Mercy Sunday** - 11th April 7 pm  
Good Shepherd Parish, 27 Telford Ave. Mt Eden  
Bring your images & artefacts to be blessed.

All welcome

### Divine Mercy Sunday

11 April 7pm at Good Shepherd Parish  
27 Telford Ave Mt Eden.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Blessing of Images, Praise & Worship, Benediction, Holy Mass & Veneration of St Faustina's relic.  
Bring your images & artefacts to be blessed.  
All welcome.

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

Marcella Wallace, Annabel Kalin, Larry Pope, 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, KireiTua, Royston Beckham, Margaret Everett, John & Rosa Williams, Ann Sayegh, Marie Mole, Linda Mole, BC, Fr Andrei Centeno, Mary Bratton, Elizabeth Beckham, Alana North, Chris Dwyer, Maurice Robinson, Michael Wong, Maree C, Kanawhat Cheevachit, Alice Swann, Dolly P, Yaroslav Khmel, Anne Telles, Linus Broughton, Emy Calma, Sue Wynne Davis, Rosily Chacko, Patricia Wright, Thilsi Vern, Luigi & Dawn Rocca, Bonifacio Sanches, Joy Agon, Gavin Alexander, Chonusi William, Eric & Rachel Smith, Maria Martho, Rosa Santos, 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 Hopgood-Luyppers, 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 . . .*

Sheila Leishman, Tom Kiely, Kathleen Vickers, Tom O'Sullivan, Francesca Goodwin, Anne Cortesi, Claire Brown, Alan Edwards, Mary Beatie, Nena Alegre-Valenzuela, Patrick Bolton, Rachael Farrow, Mary Watson, Len James, Marie Wong, Wayne Browne, John Gillespie, Rosaura Rustia, Teresa Rocha, Iana Van der Fluit, Mary Davidson, Pamela Woodlock, Hannie Leahy, Robert Vasquez, Jill Martin, James Little, Lau Yuk Wan Fong, Denis Stitch, Tom Dennehy, John Rose, Jim Redmond, Rom Pereira, Ron Boyd, Helen d'Souza, Walter & Lucy Pinto, Uti Gandy, Nick McNamara, Peter Tran, Frank Cordtz, Caroline Mitchell, Ann Roper, Pamela Law, Benjamin Martinez, Gordon Palaret, Nativitas Z Baylon, Ottilie Adelinger, Noel Fernandes, Alice Marinovich, Pacita Yap, Zita D'Souza, Eulogio Avila, Mohi Hotene, Mary Whitener, Mary Rahman, Gary Viskovich, Edna Cororan, Louise Gomes, Marcia Macedo, Sinead Fox

*. . . Eternal rest grant to them.*