

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
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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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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ 4 JULY 2021

Today's readings are about prophets, the prophet Ezekiel and the prophet Jesus. Both were sent (missio) to be witnesses to God's work among His people.

The lessons today are important for all the baptised as all the baptised are called and anointed to be prophets and to do the same work as Jesus and Ezekiel. Your first reaction may be, ... what, me a prophet!

How are the baptised Prophets in Christ?

Firstly, you have been chosen by God. We are all called to be prophets. We are called as members of "Christ's" body ("Christus" means the anointed one). Our "prophetic mission" is founded in the sacrament of Christian baptism.

In the Baptismal Rite we are anointing with sacred chrism oil with these words ...

"As Christ was anointed Priest, Prophet, and King, so may you live always as a member of his body, sharing everlasting life."

Secondly, we are called prophets by being companions and witnesses to Christ in our families, among our friends and at our work place. The Catechism of the Catholic Church says the prophetic mission of the laity is to be ... "accomplished in the ordinary circumstances of the world" (CCC, 905).

We are Prophets ... when we speak the truth and give a good example to our spouses and in our families. We are prophets when others may have fallen away from their prayer life but we continue with ours. We are prophets when we live as Christians before our extended families, neighbours, and co-workers. Just like Jesus we don't work alone and unassisted, we work through the Holy Spirit. It is the Holy Spirit who inspires and strengthens us to be faithful witnesses. This is very consoling especially when we consider Our Lord's own words,

... 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations, and in his own house'

To accomplish this "mission" (*being sent*) into the world, we need to pray always! Jesus prayed continually throughout His entire life. In fact, it is a great relief to know that when we pray we are always assisted by the Holy Spirit, thus, we can relate to the first reading from the Prophet Ezekiel ... "The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me." I think all of us would agree that it is only by the inspiration and strength of the Holy Spirit that we are able to profess our Catholic Faith in the ordinary circumstances of our lives.

Come, Holy Spirit,

fill the hearts of your faithful
and enkindle in them the fire of your love.
V. Send forth your Spirit and they
shall be created.

R. And you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise and ever to rejoice in His consolation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Blessings - Fr. Andrew Mathew
St Benedict's ~ Newton*

Shine TV Mass - Mass will be broadcast at 2pm on Shine TV channel 25 or Sky channel 201. It will also be available on the Auckland Diocese YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=auckland+catholic+channel+masses from around 6 pm on Saturday

Have we accepted that God's grace is enough to endure insults, hardships, persecutions and agonies?

A prophet is only despised
in his own country.

MARK 6: 11

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

Liturgy of the Word

~ **Ezekiel 2:2-5** God sends a prophet to his people to ensure that they do not remain in ignorance of their disobedience.

~ **Psalm 122** Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy

~ **2 Corinthians 12:7-10** In his weakness Paul experiences the power of God's grace.

~ **Mark 6:1-6** True to the proverb that no prophet is honoured by his own people, Jesus is rejected by the people of Nazareth.

Next Week's readings: Amos 7:12-15; Psalm 84; Ephesians 1:3-14; Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

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. 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.

Marian Movement of Priests—Prayer Meeting every Friday in Church after the Midday Mass. Everyone is welcome to join.

Volunteer needed—We are currently looking for someone who could help prepare the Music in our parish. Preferably someone with a good knowledge of Church music and Liturgy. Music and slides are prepared weekly for our weekend Masses. Please get in touch with Fr Francis or Felina in the parish office. Email office@parnellcatholic.org.nz for queries.

First Friday of the Month - Exposition of the Holy Eucharist here in Church at 11am before the Midday Mass. Everyone welcome.

First Saturday of the Month—Act of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary during the 9am Mass. Everyone welcome.

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

Parnell Parish Roll—We are currently updating our Parish Roll and Contacts list. Forms will be available at the church entrances. We ask parishioners to take one and hand over completed forms to either Fr Francis or to Felina. You may also return them when you come to church next weekend or drop them in the parish office during the week. Thank you.

A Concert for St Michael's Church Remuera

An invitation to a wonderful concert hosted by renowned baritone James Ioelu with special guests. 7.30 pm, Friday 30th July at St Michael's. A night of classical and opera performance. Funds raised will support the many costs of the upkeep of St Michael's Church building. Tickets on sale now for \$80 & \$60 and are selling fast! Read about James here <https://www.stuff.co.nz/entertainment/stage-and-theatre/300272072/performing-till-hes-70--that-would-do-opera-singer-james-ioelu-nicely>. Email the parish office office@remueracatholic.org.nz, for information and tickets or Clare Wade clare@clarewade.co.nz.

Come and join us for post Covid-19 Restrictions spiritual inspiration at the Auckland Eucharistic

Convention - Hear overseas and local speakers **Friday 16, Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 July** St Mary's College, New Street, Ponsonby (opposite the Pompallier Diocesan Centre) Tickets \$30.00 per day or \$50 for the weekend. See Noticeboard for more information.

Marriage & Family Life—Volunteers Needed

The Catholic Diocese of Auckland invites married couples to consider volunteering to become Marriage Educators. They are seeking couples committed to journeying with young engaged couples, passionate about strong healthy marriages being a platform for stability for families and have 2 hours per week spare. The Marriage Educator Training Courses are in July and August. Call Gerry on 3603025 or 021 02247442 or email gerrys@cda.org.nz to enrol.

Sea Sunday

Next Sunday 11 July is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Stella Maris, is the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. Donations can be made by direct credit to 01-0297-0024651-00 (AoSNZ Auckland). In the 'Payees/Particulars' box please write: your initials/Donation AoS. Please email your name and address for tax-rebate receipt to: evashorayi@gmail.com quoting your initials and date of donation. For more information about its work and volunteering, visit www.aos.org.nz.

St Paul's College Ponsonby 2022

- Enrolment update

Spaces available for Year 7 and Year 9 with limited enrolments at other levels. Enrolments close 4pm, Friday 24th September. Visit www.stpaulscollege.co.nz for more information.

Agape Auckland - The Agape community meet every Wednesday between 7 and 9 pm at Sacred Heart Hall, Vermont Street, Ponsonby. All are welcome. For enquiries please phone Paul 021 1412992 or email Trevor at tofamooni67@outlook.com

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.

Life Teen Summer Camp 2022— is in Auckland Save the dates 14 - 18 January 2022 at the YMCA Camp Adair, Hunua. Registrations open soon. Keep an eye on the ACYM Facebook page for updates <https://www.facebook.com/ACYM>.

Conference 2021—Worshipping Under Southern Skies—Te Huinga Whakamoemiti kei raro i Te Taki-o-Autahi - Worshipping Under Southern

Skies promises to be a moment of joy, delight and insight along the way of our post-Covid journey. Let the deep spirituality of the Catholic Church surround, inspire and fill you. At Baradene College of the Sacred Heart, 237 Victoria Avenue, Remuera. 4 pm 7th October to 6 pm 9th October. For information visit <https://wuss.org.nz/>.

Rejoice—Auckland Catholic Festival 2021

Bishop Pat is pleased to invite you to come together to be inspired, encouraged and strengthened as Catholics at a Diocesan Festival on Saturday 16 October (last Saturday of school holidays) at St Luke's Catholic Church and Sancta Maria College. Save the date. For more information visit www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/festival/

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

Nathalie Kean, Msgr David Tonks, Aaron Ablan, Rosario Navarro, Jenny Fewtrell, Lucas Arnet, Annabel Kalin, Dennis Matthew, Marlee Owens, Samira & Raj, John Sullivan, James L. Cu, Sepi Fe'ao, Teresa Gudex, Ben Hunt, Ana Laura Robles, Ana Denisse Manjarrez, Brian Murphy, Sue Bedford, Christopher Hughes, Alberto Olarte, Joe Raymond, Ambi Joseph, Ivy Hi, Emy Calma, Chris Dwyer, Royston Beckham, Margaret Everett, Alice Swann, John & Rosa Williams, Ann Sayegh, Marie Mole, Linda Mole, BC, Fr Andrei Centeno, Mary Bratton, Kirei Tua, Elizabeth Beckham, Alana North, Maurice Robinson, AS, Michael Wong, Maree C, Kanawat Cheevachit, Dolly P, Yaroslav Khmel, Anne Telles, Linus Broughton, Sue Wynne Davis, Rosily Chacko, Thilsi Vern, Patricia Wright, Luigi & Dawn Rocca, Bonifacio Sanches, Joy Agon, Neira, Gavin Alexander, Chonusi William, Eric & Rachel Smith, Maria Martho, Rosa Santos, Jon Manson, Francisco Billinilanz, Benny Clynes, Judy Hanna, Lynn Barnett Welsh, Teana Jones, Christopher Browne, Barry Spooner, Nicholas James, Pamela Vincent, Shane McGruddy, Michelle Bergin, Rosita Galarg, J. Harrington, Rodolfo Paragas, Serena Coughy, Martin Harriman, Ann Gordon, Adelaïda Sison, Frank Van Nieuwerker, John Kainuku, Noeline Levick, Jin Shu Qin, Jill Hopgood-Luyers, 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 . . .

Gertrude Ng, Fifita Ramanlal Vallabh, Thomas Vakkal, Kumari Limbu Christiansen, Sr Patricia Thompson, John Giaccon, Josie Mclean, Benny Reheder, Alma Schiscka, Nancy Pye, Mary Instone, Eileen Healy, Rose Hunt, Raewyn Grevatt, Ken Clarke, Etuale Leilua, Keith Kahi, Bernie Summich, Hugh Green, Wendy Weir, Una Ryan, Mate Dean, Patrick Dowell, Bernie King, Kathleen Frelengou, Michael Turnbull, Michael Mullarkey, Molly Carty, Noel McGuire, Peceli Vocea, Norman Mole, Noel Anthony, Frank Fahy, Teofila V Aguirre, Pauline Blackett, Rona Lovell, Marie Spillane, Wally Yelavich, Nicholas Portegys, Ray Gould, Jesse De Castro, Floccerina Lucas, Patricia McHugh, Pete Tiscornia, Qalo Bulatiko, Harnam Singh, Claude Hickey, Sr Anne Murray SJC, Frank Smith, Alexander Lee, Noel Maninang, Flavia Bautista, Aubrey Johnstone, Manuel Ronquillo, Sharon Wilson, Hilary Erwin-Silva, Evelyn Fonseca, Gilbert Purdom . . . *Eternal rest grant to them.*