

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH PARNELL

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

No Weekday Masses until further Notice

Saturdays & Public Holidays 9 am

Reconciliation ~ by appointment under 'Orange'.

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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

8 am, 11 am, 4.30 pm & 7 pm

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

Diocesan Youth Mass 8 May at 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

NO weekday Masses until further notice

Reconciliation

Saturday 5pm- 5.45pm by appointment only

St Benedict's Parish Secretary

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ 1 MAY 2022

Gone Fishing

I've seen the sign "Gone Fishing" only on films, but never in real life. You could just imagine a class of students turning up for a lesson to find the teacher has put on the door "Gone Fishing" – they wouldn't be a teacher for very long!

So, it is with the disciples in the Gospel today. If their ministry was to account for anything it would have to be enduring.

Not something that could be easily dropped for another activity.

That, however, was the case, and we see the scene set where Peter and the disciples "Gone Fishing" - back in the boat, but, alas, catching nothing! (As usual!)

Again, Jesus appears. This time he is not recognised, but still the disciples follow his directions as to where the net is to be cast.

In this Gospel obedience precedes recognition and in obedience the disciples discover "that it is the Lord."

The disciples are obedient servants of the Lord and their leadership, if to endure, must be based on servant leadership.

We too are asked to be obedient to the prompts of Jesus in our day to day living and so as Albert Schweitzer wrote:

"He commands those who obey him.

He commands. And to those who obey him, whether simple or wise, he will reveal himself in the toils, the conflicts, the sufferings which they will pass through... they shall learn in their own experience who he is."

For the disciples and for us there is a

hope-filled prospect that when we obey the voice of the Lord, the catch is great; we draw people to the Risen Lord and to the Church – the community of salvation.

The imagery of the net **not** torn suggests that we need not be fearful of the diverse and growing company of people involved in the Church. Unity is maintained.

Once again on shore, the disciples are welcomed by Jesus, and he provides them breakfast. This is a post-resurrection Eucharist that gives sustenance to the disciples and support for their ongoing mission. This is a time of renewal for them. When approaching the altar of the Lord, we too can be confident in that sustenance and support that the same Risen Lord provides in times of need.

Finally, the Gospel ends with the reinstatement of Peter as both leader and follower. The questions asked of Peter direct him to the reality that discipleship and servant leadership leads him to a life he might not necessarily have chosen otherwise. For Peter, following Jesus means carrying out the mission of care for Jesus' flock: the Human Family.

For Peter and the disciples, the "Gone Fishing" sign has gone - never to be seen again! May the apostolic zeal continue to enliven the Church to welcome new members through its doors – no "Gone Fishing" sign in sight.

*Easter Blessings
Fr Stephen Berecz*



Liturgy of the Word

~ **Acts 5:27-32.40-41** We see the apostles courageously witnessing to the resurrection of Jesus and gladly suffering for it.

~ **Psalm 29** I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

~ **Revelations 5:11-14** We hear a hymn in praise of the crucified and risen Christ.

~ **John 21:1-19** This relates an appearance of the risen Jesus to seven of his apostles on the shore of the lake of Gennesareth. The incident is built around Peter.

Next Week's readings: Acts 13:14.43-52; Psalm 99; Revelations 7:9.14-17; Gospel: John 10:27-30

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

COVID19 UPDATE

We have moved to Orange in the Covid Traffic Light Framework. This means we can welcome you all to our services unrestricted.

If you are attending any of our services we :

- Ask that you continue to wear a mask while in the Church.
- All those who serve and minister in the Church must still wear a mask.
- Please stay home if you are unwell.

Presiding Priest this Sunday

Saturday Vigil 5pm Fr Stephen Berezcz
Sunday 7am Fr Stephen Berezcz
Sunday 9.30am Fr Stephen Berezcz

Mass times this week at Parnell

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Saturday & Public Holidays 9am

Reconciliation—under ORANGE will be by appointment only. Please email the parish office.

Tax Receipts - Will be sent out from the end of April onwards. Thank you for your continued support and generosity to the Parish.

New Batch of Planned Giving Envelopes - are now ready for collection in the parish office.

Sunday Mass on TV—the diocese continues to provide broadcast Sunday Mass. It is uploaded at 5.30pm Saturday night to the Youtube channel Auckland Catholic <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCb7o1XYfQet-mOW1mJSzfo>. It is also be broadcast on Shine TV Sundays at 2.00pm Free-to-air TV Channel 25, Sky TV Channel 201.

NZ Catholic - the latest free digital edition is now available for everyone at: <https://indd.adobe.com/view/3fa6ad33-b255-4dc6-b270-7d281d530553>

Resources in times of COVID-19

The diocese has a page dedicated to the key information for places of worship at this time <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/covid-protection-framework/>

Adoration Prayer for Vocations—First Friday adoration and benediction at the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph 7pm-8pm Friday 6 May.

Founders Day Mass at Holy Cross Seminary Join with Seminary Staff and Students at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont Street, Ponsonby at 7pm on Monday, 9th May. Celebrated by Archbishop Paul Martin SM. All are invited to refreshments in the Parish Hall after Mass.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022 From 30 May – 5 June. Please join with us to celebrate together at this year's Ecumenical Prayer Service hosted by St Peter's Syrian Orthodox Church 6.30 pm Sunday 12th June at 15 Culperry Road, Glendene. For more information email pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz

Alpha Course for Couples

An invitation to you to explore life, faith and meaning through Alpha for Couples starting in July. Expressions of interest please email marriageandfamily@cda.org.nz

Pray the Rosary with us

Jesus and Mary initiated the Flame of Love Movement through Elizabeth Kindelmann, the Secular Carmelite and widowed mother of six. The Flame of Love rosary is prayed every night at 8pm on Zoom. Duration approx. 40 mins. Please text Vivienne 0211064722 for the link.

Vacancy for Religious Education & Catholic Character Advisor

Catholic Education Services have a vacancy for a full time Religious Education & Catholic Character Advisor, starting in Term 3. Applicants will have a tertiary qualification in Religious Education or a commitment to undertake appropriate study, hold current NZ Teacher registration, interest in and experience in teaching religious education in Years 7 to 10, would be advantageous.

To view the full advert and to apply visit <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/>. Applications close 13th May.

Marist College Open Day—Tours being held on Wednesday, 11 May at 9am and at 11.30am at Marist College. For further information visit <http://www.maristcollege.school.nz>

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DUES COVID-19 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance is available to assist families who may need financial support as a result of the Covid-19 Virus with the payment of Attendance Dues for students attending Catholic schools in Auckland Diocese. Families facing financial difficulties can contact their school office, their Parish Priest or the Revenue Manager on 09-360-3069 at the Catholic Diocese of Auckland. Application forms are available <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools-2/> ATTENDANCE DUES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME

Laudato Si' - Care for the Earth Free Zoom study: Free study sessions on Pope Francis's Laudato Si encyclical on Care for the Earth. Tuesday evenings, 3rd & 10th May. Led by Dr Mary Betz and Liz Beazley. Hosted by Pax Christi. For further details contact paxchristiaotearoa@gmail.com.

Do you know someone who is blind or visually impaired - that may appreciate access to books on faith topics and inspiration? The Xavier Society for the Blind that provides braille and audio books free. Visit <https://xaviersocietyfortheblind.org/> or email info@xaviersocietyfortheblind.org

Come & See Day—Are you thinking about the priesthood? Come and join a coffee morning "Come and See" with Fr Tony King-Archer. Saturday 7 May 9 am after morning Mass at the Cathedral of St Patrick's and St Joseph, 43 Wyndham Street. For more information email aucklandvocations@gmail.com

Diocesan Youth/Tertiary Mass at the Cathedral Come to the ACYM & Tertiary Mass at the 7 pm Mass at the Cathedral next Sunday 8 May as they celebrate Vocation Sunday with Bishop Michael Gielen. All are welcome.

Theology of the Body Beginners Course Human Love in the Divine Plan begins Wednesday 4 May, 7-9pm - Hillsborough. For more information contact Maria on tobauckland@gmail.com or register at <http://www.theologyofthebody.nz/>

Bishop's Jubilee Bursary - Semester 2 2022 Jubilee Bursary Contribution towards fees for Theology and RE courses at degree and post graduate level. Applications close Thursday, 9 June. Email michellej@cda.org.nz for information.

Scholarship Medical Students
The Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship If you are a 4th or 5th year medical student in 2022, are an active Catholic and normally reside within the Auckland Diocese you may be eligible for the Walter Francis Darby Trust Scholarship. For more information email randallr@cda.org.nz

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

Ofelia Ninofranco, Carrie Canapi, Corazon Villanueva Misa, Angela Robinson, Maurice Robinson, Maura Just, Alissa Neal, Ivy Hi, Avelino Tibudan, Natalie Keane, Aaron Ablan, Teresa Gudex, Annabel Kalin, Dennis Matthew, Marlee Owens, Samira & Raj, John Sullivan, James L. Cu, Sepi Fe'ao, Ben Hunt, Emy Calma, Ana Laura Robles, Kirei Tua, Ana Denisse Manjarrez, Brian Murphy, Sue Bedford, Alana North, Christopher Hughes, Alberto Olarte, Joy Agon, Joe Raymond, Ambi Joseph, Royston Beckham, Margaret Everett, Alice Swann, Fr Andrei Centeno, John & Rosa Williams, Ann Sayegh, Marie Mole, Linda Mole, Mary Bratton, Elizabeth Beckham, AS, Michael Wong, Yaroslav Khmel, Maree C, Anne Telles, Christopher Browne, Linus Broughton, Patricia Wright, Sue Wynne Davis, Rosily Chacko, Thilsy Vern, Neira, Judy Hanna, Ann Gordon, Bonifacio Sanches, Benny Clynes, Luigi & Dawn Rocca, Jin Shu Qin, Gavin Alexander, Chonusi William, Baden McPherson, Rosa Santos, Teana Jones, Maria Martho, Eric & Rachel Smith, BC, Jon Manson, Barry Spooner, Francisco Billinilanz, Lynn Barnett Welsh, Nicholas James, Pamela Vincent, Shane McGruddy, Michelle Bergin, J. Harrington, Rodolfo Paragas, Serena Coughy, Martin Harriman, Adelaida Sison, John Kainuku, Noline Levick, Wilfred Mansoor, Jill Hopgood-Luyers, Virgilia Velasquez, Rosita Galarg, Shannon Kavanagh.

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

Sr Kathleen Franich sm, Anna Scoullar Jones, Hannibal & Gloria Adique, Josefina Abecede, Rody Balones, Alexander Martinez, Fr Bruce Munday, Teh Kah Chin, Virginia Boak, Antonia Fepuleai, Tom Brown, Liam Cogan, Ray Potbury, Marie Anthony, Darin McKay, Lotte Jensen, Stephen Roberts, Josefine Abacede, Janet Coutinho, Nestor Sadiarin, Evangeline Escobillo, David Smyth, Carlos Yudi, Laila Osunsade, Dino Cornelio, Elizabeth Bond, Joan Davenport, Francisco Pardiolo, Sr Mary Gaines RSJ, Sr Imelda Windle OP, Mike Bakker, Sr M Vianney rsm, Br Paul Scott FMS, John Newman-Watt, Lawrence McNamara, Frank Fahy, Pauline Saltman, Jacinto Macarubbo, Rodrigo de los Santos, Eileen Ham, Fr Pat Logue MHM, Fr Tony Ives, Maria Hunt, Br Thomas Lynch FMS, Clive Cooper, Fr Denis O'Sullivan, Damiana Abalos, Dudley Jenke, John Eman . . . *Eternal rest grant to them.*