

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

Masses Saturdays & Public Holidays 9 am

Reconciliation ~ Saturday 9.30am

Parish Priest ~ Father Stephen Berecz ~ Email: sberecz@gmail.com

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Parish Pastoral Council:

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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

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 Sunday 31 July 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

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ST BENEDICT'S NEWTON

1 St Benedict's Street (off Upper Queen St)

Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil 6 pm & Sunday 9.30 am
Mass Filipino ACFC (Every Sunday) 11:30 am

Weekdays

Wednesday to Friday 12.10pm
Wednesday (Filipino Community) 7.30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 5pm—5.45pm by appointment only

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

St Vincent de Paul & Foodbank: 0800 680 090

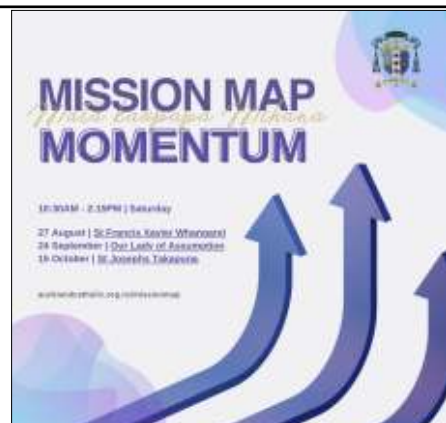
SAFE CHURCH ~ SAFE GUARDING

As Catholics we believe that every person is created in the likeness and image of God.

Therefore, we continue to ensure that our parish is a place where everyone is treated with respect and dignity. We foster an environment which is welcoming, and in which all our parish whanau, including our tamariki, rangatahi, kuia and kaumatua, feel safe. If you have any complaints or concerns, our Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Felina Soldevilla and you can contact her by phone (09) 373 3132 or email

office@parnellcatholic.org.nz

You may also contact the National Office for Professional Standards 0800-114-662. You may also contact the police 111.



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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME ~ 24 JULY 2022

As Jesus travels towards Jerusalem, he instructs his followers about the meaning of discipleship, so it is not surprising that at some stage of the journey Jesus focus' on prayer.

Jesus is a model of prayer and in Luke's Gospel is regularly at prayer. Prayer becomes the mark of the true disciple and distinguishes the follower of Jesus from others.

Prayer emerges from the fact that it puts those who pray in touch with the generosity of God and therefore prayer isn't about strategies or words, but rather a God who listens.

In the "Our Father", Jesus sets before his disciples a model of prayer that has two important aspects: *familiarity* and *petition*. Jesus addresses God as "Father" in prayer, a word that expresses an intimate relationship (*familiarity*) with the creator. The "Our Father" is also a prayer of *petition*, where the disciples are taught what their real needs are and to whom they need to go for satisfaction.

The petition, in turn, asks of God to fulfil his name, reign and care and protection of God's people.

The parable that follows places emphasis on the high value placed on hospitality in Middle Eastern cultures. Travellers depended on friends of friends for lodging along the way and it was unthinkable that a request would be denied. In the light of this, the neighbour finally responds, not because he was badgered, but because he feared the shame that would accompany refusal. So, if the neighbour who is initially prone to refuse requests finally responds to avoid shame, how much more will God respond to the pleas of the people of God? Emphatically, God can be trusted to answer our calls for mercy and help.

Prayer is rooted in the kindness and generosity of God, thus making it possible for even the unworthy, stumbling disciple to offer petition for the journey.

There is something comforting about the

listening presence of God. Prayer becomes a necessary aspect of discipleship. Life changes regularly, so prayer and reflection really anchors oneself to the certainty of the generous and kind God. With this world of change, this changeless nature of God gently directs the disciple to their true eternal home.

"You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you"
St Augustine.

Blessings ~ Fr Stephen Berecz.



Mission Map Momentum

The Diocesan Pastoral Services Group invites interested parishioners to a day of prayer, formation, information and collaboration.

Beginning at 10.30 am and concluding at 2.15pm. Lunch will be provided. During this time, they will explore what we consider the hallmarks are of a

welcoming, vibrant faith community, hear from David Wells about missionary discipleship, explore the different resources personnel and practical that are available, and give communities time to reflect on what they could do now. These sessions limited to 80 participants so please register through at: <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/missionmap/momentum/>

The Auckland opportunities for participation are:

- Saturday 24 September Onehunga Church Hall. RSVP by 19 September
- Saturday 15 October Takapuna Church Hall. RSVP by 10 October.



Liturgy of the Word

~ **Genesis 18:20– 32** Abraham intercedes with God on behalf of Sodom, a city full of evil.

~ **Psalm 137** Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me

~ **Colossians 2:12-14** Through Baptism a Christian dies to the old sinful way of life, and rises to live a new life.

~ **Luke 11:1-13** Jesus urges the apostles to pray to God with childlike trust for all their spiritual and temporal needs.

Next Week's Readings: Ecclesiastes 1:2;2:21-23; Psalm 80; Colossians 3:15.9-11;

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

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

COVID19 UPDATE

We are in 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 everyone to continue wearing a mask while inside 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 Berecz

Sunday 7am Fr Tony Dunn

Sunday 9.30am Fr Stephen Berecz

Mass times this week at Parnell

Monday to Friday— no Mass until Further notice
Saturday & Public Holidays 9am

Reconciliation—Saturdays 9.30am.

St Michael's Remuera Parish Mass times:

Monday to Friday 7am and 12pm

Saturday 8am

Sunday 8am, 10am and 5pm

Volunteers needed in our Parish

We are still needing more volunteers to help with the various ministries here in our Parish. For more details, please get in touch with Felina at the parish office office@parnellcatholic.org.nz.

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Sunday Mass on TV

Sunday Mass on TV at 2 pm on Shine TV channel 25 or Sky channel 201. It is also uploaded at 5.30pm Saturday night to the Auckland Catholic Diocese Youtube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/aucklandcatholic>

CDA CONNECT—Check out this month's issue of <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/cda-connect/> it is a great way to find out all that is happening in the diocese and how you can get involved.

See the Holy Land Pilgrimage

Enquiries are invited for a 21-day pilgrimage to Israel, Jordan and Palestine, leaving on May 2, 2023. It will be led by Pat McCarthy, former editor of NZ Catholic, with Fr Chris Denham, as chaplain. The itinerary includes all the sacred sites of interest to Christian pilgrims including Galilee, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Petra and 1 night by the Dead Sea. For details, email Pat on patsuzie@slingshot.co.nz or phone (09) 480-4463.

Upcoming Retreats & Events at St Francis Retreat Centre

Time Out Days— Day Retreats 9:30am–2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch) 23 August, 20 September, 18 October, 22 November & 6 December.

24Hr Quietude Retreats— Friday 7pm to Saturday 7pm (\$120pp includes accommodation + food). 16-17 September & 18-19 November.

24Hr Prayer Retreat - reflective prayer retreat for talks on prayer, with time for personal prayer, Holy Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. Saturday 6th August to 3pm Sunday 7th August. \$150. For more information or to or to book any of the retreats visit www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz or phone 09 625 6651.

Marriage & Family Life: Marriage Educators

Needing married couples (5-10 years married) to join this Ministry. If you are able to serve 4 hours a month and want to serve God in this important Ministry please call Gerry on 021 02247442 or gerrys@cda.org.nz All training is provided.

Monte Cecilia Housing Trust

Annual Blanket Appeal

Your help is needed to keep kids in Monte houses warm this winter through donations of warm blankets and winter woollies. Donations can be delivered to 30 WINDRUSH CLOSE, MANGERE, or you can call 0800 624 848 to arrange pickup. Alternately, you can make a monetary donation at MONTECECILIA.ORG.NZ/DONATE

Caring Sunday ~ Sunday 31 July

Please remember the Caring Foundation's annual appeal next week on Caring Sunday – July 31st. The need in our community is even greater this year! A donation to our annual appeal will help families in need throughout the diocese! To donate pick up a copy of their newsletter on your way out or to donate online visit <https://caringfoundation.org.nz/donate-3/>

Understanding the Old Testament

9 am – 4 pm Saturdays, 6 August, 3 September, and 1 October with Dr Kevin Waldie, SM.

St Columba Centre, Vermont St, Ponsonby.

Find out more at https://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/catholic-theological-college_old/so-you-want-to-study/timetables-calendars/auckland/

Beginning Experience— A weekend away to help those suffering the heartache of Separation, Divorce, or Widowhood, 23-25 September. The Beginning Experience provides support for the grieving single again. Total cost is \$350 or if paid by 8 August \$325. For further information please phone Lynda 0274898003 or (09)4789742 or Kelly in the evenings on 027 6864416

NZ Catholic

The latest edition of the NZ Catholic is for sale in church foyer. Price \$4.

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

Alison Foss, Gil Melling, Elenore Byrne, Corazon Villanueva Misa, Angela Robinson, Maurice Robinson, Maura Just, Neira, Alissa Neal, Ivy Hi, 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, Kirei Tua, Ana Laura Robles, Christopher Hughes, Ana Denisse Manjarrez, Brian Murphy, Sue Bedford, Alberto Olarte, Joy Agon, AS, Joe Raymond, Ambi Joseph, Chris Dwyer, Royston Beckham, Margaret Everett, Alice Swann, Fr Andrei Centeno, John & Rosa Williams, Ann Sayegh, Marie Mole, Linda Mole, Mary Bratton, Maree C, Elizabeth Beckham, Alana North, Michael Wong, Yaroslav Khmel, Anne Telles, Linus Broughton, Patricia Wright, Sue Wynne Davis, Rosily Chacko, Thilsy Vern, Judy Hanna, Luigi & Dawn Rocca, Bonifacio Sanches, Jin Shu Qin, Gavin Alexander, Chonusi William, Rosa Santos, Teana Jones, Maria Martho, Benny Clynes, Eric & Rachel Smith, BC, Jon Manson, Rosita Galarg, Francisco Billinilanz, Lynn Barnett Welsh, Christopher Browne, Barry Spooner, Nicholas James, Pamela Vincent, Shane McGruddy, Michelle Bergin, J. Harrington, Jill Hopgood-Luyers, Serena Coughy, Martin Harriman, Ann Gordon, Adelaida Sison, John Kainuku, Noeline Levick, Wilfred Mansoor, Rodolfo Paragas, Virgilia Velasquez, Baden McPherson, Shannon Kavanagh.

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

John Cardozo, Joseph Tan, Manuel Lundo, Bruce Ngapera, Phillip Daniels, Sandy McInnes, Savio Louis Pinto, Brian Farrell, Bonny Bonifasius, Brendan McFadden, Akash Anthony, Teofilo Damasco, Murray Addlington, Jennifer Spencer, Mary Matijasevich, Lyn Wolfram, Gordon Russell, Selwyn Winters, Albie Wiggs, Cathy Mika, Marietta Brochner, Rebecca Rivers, Glenette Menzie, Anne Shanley, Sr Jean Sinclair, Sr Peggy Browne DOLC, Wenceslas Anthony, Molly O'Keefe, Epiena Lomu, Br Brian O'Kane, Fr Aquinas McComb OP, Harold Plumley, Glennis Manning, Taito Etevie McCabe, Megan Small, Maureen Hammond, Fr Chuck Gallagher SJ, Nena Dizon, Maria Lainez, Mary Neal, Anurag Jose, Fr Patrick McHugh, Mary Kurian, Agnes Pile, Nena De Guzman, Terese Van Damm, Doug Knight, Fr Gerry Cushlow, Jim Whelan, Keith Hamlin, Alphons Mary Joseph, Br Paul Kent, Kevin Murphy, Mabel Hogg, Ruth Dimadulae, Romeo Abcede, Rosa Almeida, Edwin Escandor, Ann Johnson, Elizabeth Price, Geoffrey Walton, Fr MacDonald MHM . . . *Eternal rest grant to them.*

YOUTH ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Diocesan Youth Mass Sunday 31 July at 7 pm

Diocesan Youth Mass is back at the Cathedral this month ! The theme for this Mass is *Taonga*— *Treasure*, which is based on the Gospel reading for the Sunday (Luke 12:13-21). Come along to hear the theme unpacked during the Homily!

Youth Retreat Day - What's the secret to finding true lasting happiness? A day of faith, fellowship, food and fun with the Community of the Beatitudes (Mass, Talks, Lunch, Prayer). 9am- 3.30pm Saturday, 13 August, at Holy Family Parish Hall, 94 Taikata Road, Te Atatu Peninsula. Bring a plate, a friend & a small koha. For more information call Danielle 021 2506318

Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School

Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School is back with ten days of world-class lectures, uplifting prayer and authentic community! For young adults aged 18 to 35 who want to know more about their faith and meet other Catholic young adults from all over New Zealand. Join them at Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton, from 30/12/22 to 8/01/23. Register at www.heartsaflame.org.nz/registration

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