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 Parish Secretary ~ Felina Soldevilla: phone (09) 373 3132 ~ Email: office@parnellcatholic.org.nz Parish Pastoral Council:

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Parking in St John's Car Park

Those attending Sunday or a weekday Mass 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 or Saturday Morning, 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

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 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-Friday: Mass 12.10pm Wednesday(Filipino Community) 7.30pm First & Third Friday(Filipino Community) 7.30pm

Reconciliation Saturday 5pm- 5.45pm

St Benedict's Parish Secretary

Catherine van Veen office@stbenedictsauckland.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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ONEROA WAIHEKE ISLAND

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ 9 OCTOBER 2022

One of the great signs of God's work in the world is the action of restoring things to right order, we see this most obviously in the healing ministry of Christ in the Gospel accounts but this is not the only place where God desires to extend his healing hand. In the first reading form the second book of Kings we are told about the healing of a Syrian named Naamen. He is cured of Leprosy which would most certainly have been a slow death sentence for him in his time.

Naaman was given a simple instruction by the prophet Elisha, to bathe 7 times in the Jordan, and because of his obedience God cured him of his affliction. After being cured the desire of Naaman was to make restitution for the healing that he received but Elisha would not receive any gifts. This left the only possible way to give thanks would be to do so directly and so the heart of Naaman turned towards the worship of the God who has worked so powerfully in his life.

The bathing of Naaman in the Jordan can be seen as a foreshadowing of the sacrament of baptism that God would offer to those who want to be healed and set free from sin. Baptism is a healing of our relationship with God, it makes us united in a family bond restoring us and giving us something that we could never hope to earn. Health of the body is one thing but the health of the soul while not as oblivious to us is of paramount importance. Naamen the Syrian gives a very good example of what to do once one

receives a great gift from God. We too are called to be generous in what ever way we can, we are called to respond in love to that invitation of love which was our baptism. We are called to foster the relationship that began at our baptism, always making the effort to remain in right relationship with God.

Naamen took as much earth as two mules could carry so that he could always offer sacrifices on holy ground. And we too do a similar thing we come to a holy place, a place set aside for the honour of God so that we can present our lives as a sacrifice to him. We do this every Sunday, offering our hard work of the week, our prayers our needs and the needs of the people around us while we give thanks for the great work that God has and is accomplishing in our lives.

God offered a healing hand to Naamen and God continues to restore all things in Christ, and the truly great news is that we have been invited to participate in this great restoration.

Blessings ~ Fr Tony King-Archer The Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph

From the NZ Bishops' Conference—

NZ Catholics are being urged to support the under-funded hospice and palliative care services by donating, volunteering in hospice shops, and asking their members of Parliament and the Government to make palliative care a priority. Bishop of Auckland Steve Lowe, Secretary of the NZCBC, says hospices provide a free service to 20,000 palliative care patients and their whānau each vear, but must fundraise almost half the \$176 million cost. Bishop Steve says: "When the public was asked at the 2020 election to support the euthanasia legislation – dubbed the End-of-Life Choice law – they were led to believe palliative care would be a priority choice. Instead, hospice funding has been virtually capped at a time of high inflation" Visit https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media -releases/support-palliative-care/

Liturgy of the Word

~ 2 Kings 5:14-17 On being cured of leprosy, Naaman comes to believe in the true God, and is lavish in his gratitude towards the prophet Elisha.

~ Psalm 97 The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

~ 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Paul tells Timothy that the work of preaching the Gospel will result in hardship, opposition and persecution.

~ Luke 17:11-19 The story of ten people who were cured of leprosy by Jesus, and how only one came back to thank him.

Next Week's Readings: Exodus 17:8-13; Psalm 120; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2; Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

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

COVID19 UPDATE

The Traffic light system has now been officially retired by the government. This means we can welcome everyone to our services without any restrictions in place. Face masks are no longer mandatory however you can still wear them when coming to church.

If you are sick or unwell, please stay home.

Presiding Priest this Sunday

Saturday Vigil 5pm Fr Stephen Berecz Sunday 7am Fr Stephen Berecz 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 <u>office@parnellcatholic.org.nz</u>.

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

St Michael's Remuera—A book about
St Michael's church is to be published in
December at a cover price of \$20. See the poster
and brochures in the foyer. For information
contact office@remueracatholic.org.nz
or visit www.remueracatholic.org.nz/guide-book.
It is a limited print run so orders must be placed
soon for those interested. Thank you.

'People of God' - Formation Day

The Pope has recently addressed the 'People of God' in a letter titled, the Liturgical Formation of the People of God. The Liturgy Centre for the Diocese of Auckland is hosting a Formation Day October 29th 9.30 – 3pm, at Rosmini College which will unpack some of the contents of this letter. Please register by email liturgy-prayer/liturgyformation/

Titipounamu Study & Joy—Online Sessions

(Evening): The Gospel of Matthew with Kieran Fenn fms. Mondays, 17 & 24 October and 7 & 14 November. \$25 per session or \$80 for 4 sessions.

To register visit: www.studyjoy.nz

Life in the Spirit Seminar - 4 sessions on Zoom:
October 11,18, 25 & November 1st, 7.30pm - 9pm,
followed by one live session on November 5th
9.30-1pm in Ponsonby. Register with Deidre at
aucklandccr@gmail.com.

Upcoming Retreats & Events at St Francis Retreat

<u>Centre</u>—24Hr Quietude – For those who seek a short Retreat. 18 - 19 November. Friday 7pm – Saturday 7pm. \$120pp includes accommodation and food. For information and to book visit

www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz or call 09 625 6651

Ngā Tapuwae - Sacred Footsteps 2023

Registrations are now open for the Northland pilgrimage from 6th January to 8th January 2023. All are welcome to this hikoi to learn more of our Catholic heritage. They will explore, experience and live the sacred places of Kupe, Bishop Pompallier and the early missionaries. Visit https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/nga-tapuwae-pilgrimage/ or contact either Stephen Fraser 09 360 3052 or email stephenf@cda.org.nz, or Manuel Beazley: manuelb@cda.org.nz

<u>Vacancies at Catholic Social Services</u> Social Workers – Graduates Welcome

Catholic Social Services is a faith-based professional service providing social work, counselling, out-reach and support to individuals and whanau. Catholic Social Services have two vacancies for full-time Social Workers. Graduates are welcome. The roles are based at their Otara Office. For more details, visit https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/.

Applications close on 21 October.

<u>Diocesan Vacancy—Archivist/</u> Archives Manager/Privacy Officer

The role is full time and provides an exciting opportunity to manage and utilise the Archive Collection of the Auckland Diocese by providing appraisal, recording and direct safekeeping of permanent records and historically valuable Church documents and Museum Artifacts. The role also has co-responsibility as Privacy Officer for ensuring the Diocese complies with the Privacy Act 2020. For details visit the Diocesan website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz

<u>The Ecumenical and Interfaith Commission of the</u> <u>Catholic Diocese of Auckland</u>—needs new members. If you are interested please contact <u>pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz</u>.

<u>NZ Catholic</u> - The new edition of the NZ Catholic is for sale in church fover. Price \$4.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES & EVENTS World Youth Day 2023

The Diocese is planning on taking 50 young people to World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal.

The pilgrimage will be an incredible 24-day journey through France and Portugal.

Email samuelb@cda.org.nz if interested.

Young Adults Ball 15 October—Put on your best formal attire for an unforgettable evening at McHugh's of Cheltenham. Dance the night away with the live band, The Velvet Tones.

Early bird tickets are \$90 (until 16th September).

Standard tickets \$110. This is an 18+ event.

Visit facebook.com/AKCYM to find out more.



G.I.F.T. Saints Dinner and Disco—29th October 5.30pm - 9pm at the G.I.F.T. Centre, 28 Telford Ave, Mt Eden by Good Shepherd Church. All intellectually disabled friends and support people welcome. Dress up as your favourite saint and eat, dance, and make new friends.

Phone 620 9524 Cost - \$5 per person

Parents with teenagers-Keeping Your Teens in the Faith—How Catholicism is Irresistible is for you and your kids!- Be inspired to change NZ with truth and love at the Catholic Answers Tour, 14th to 15th October, Sancta Maria College Hamilton.

Register at www.evangelion.co.nz/events

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

Don Valerio Fontanilla, Malu Beltran, Jack Gibbs, Alison Foss, Gil Melling, Elenore Byrne, Angela Robinson,
Corazon Villanueva Misa, Maura Just, Maurice Robinson, Neira, Alissa Neal, Ivy Hi, Aaron Ablan, Teresa Gudex,
Kirei Tua, Ben Hunt, Annabel Kalin, Dennis Matthew, Marlee Owens, Samira & Raj, John Sullivan, James L. Cu,
Sepi Fe'ao, Emy Calma, Joy Agon, Ana Laura Robles, Christopher Hughes, Ana Denisse Manjarrez, Brian Murphy,
Sue Bedford, Alberto Olarte, AS, Joe Raymond, Ambi Joseph, Chris Dwyer, Royston Beckham, Margaret Everett,
Alice Swann, Ann Sayegh, Fr Andrei Centeno, John & Rosa Williams, 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, Thilsi Vern, Judy Hanna, Luigi & Dawn Rocca, Nicholas James,
Maria Martho, Bonifacio Sanches, Jin Shu Qin, Gavin Alexander, Chonusi William, Rosa Santos, Teana Jones,
Benny Clynes, Eric & Rachel Smith, BC, Jon Manson, Rosita Galarg, Francisco Billinilanz, Lynn Barnett Welsh,
Noeline Levick, Christopher Browne, Barry Spooner, Pamela Vincent, Michelle Bergin, J. Harrington,
Jill Hopgood-Luypers, Serena Coughey, Martin Harriman, Ann Gordon, Adelaida Sison, John Kainuku,
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 . . .

Msgr Terry Leslie, John Fay, John Griffin, Chrissy Jacobs, Gregory Cambie, Andrew Afeaki, Stephen Nobilo,
Mary Kemp, Wanda Ellis, Alma Tadman rsm, Kevin Gould, Peter McLeavey, Dolly Nursanti Tjandra, Hugh Laracy,
Maria Leite, Rosario Jose, Basil Mayer, Msgr Vincent Hunt, Gloria Court, Mark Pye, Kumi Masui, Senia Auva'a,
Erin Griffin, Florence Gomez, Dennis Mannex, Anna Noh, Wilhelmina Arnet-Schumacher, Colette McCarron,
Alejandro Chan, Paul Lao, Iwona Konarkowska, Pedro Bautista, Dorothy Leuschke, Patricia Faire, Sarah Caulfield,
Marie Green, Gregory Mascarenhas, Pat Hendry, Phyllis Revel, Eric Athaide, James Hurley, Thean Chuan Ong,
Jimmy Kelly, Patricia Borg, Mary Hyland, Cameron Murphy, Louisa Potter, Guillermo Rabno, Kaz Wisniewski,
Colleen Green, Margaret Stewart, Park Dong Hyun, Paul Shanahan, Shane & Allan Brewster

... Eternal rest arant to them.