

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

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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 11.15am—12.10pm

(except Public Holidays)

Cathedral Parish Secretary

Rebecca Knibb

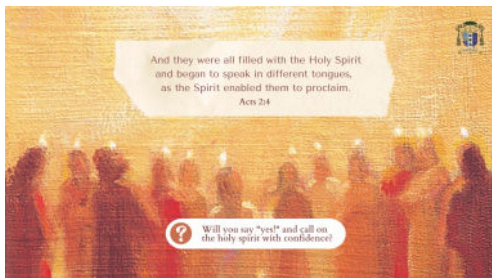
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SAFE CHURCH ~ SAFE GUARDING

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.



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

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Tel 09 3790624

www.newtoncatholic.org.nz

The Square Gift Shop: Tel 365 1693

St Vincent de Paul & Foodbank: 0800 680 090

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PENTECOST ~ 28 MAY 2023

Today's Gospel depicts a crucial moment in the life of the disciples after Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. It is a scene where the risen Christ appears to them, and the Holy Spirit is breathed upon them. The passage marks the beginning of the Christian community, and it lays the foundation for the disciples' future mission.

In John 20:19, the disciples are gathered in a locked room, fearful and uncertain about what the future holds. Suddenly, Jesus appears among them and greets them with the words, "Peace be with you." He then shows them his hands and his side, and the disciples rejoice at seeing their Lord alive.

Jesus then breathes upon them, saying, "Receive the Holy Spirit." This moment is significant because it marks the beginning of the Christian community and the empowerment of the disciples to fulfill their mission.

The reference to the feast of Pentecost is important because it is the festival of the harvest and the giving of the law at Sinai. In the book of Acts, the Holy Spirit descends on the apostles during the feast of Pentecost, empowering them to proclaim the gospel to all nations. This event links the Old Testament and the New Testament and demonstrates that the Spirit is the fulfillment of the law and the prophets.

Moreover, the reference to the forgiveness of sins in John 20:23 evokes Jeremiah 31:31-33, where the prophet speaks of a new covenant that God will make with his people. This covenant will be written on their hearts, and God will forgive their sins and remember them no more. This promise of forgiveness is fulfilled in Jesus Christ, who through his

death and resurrection, reconciles us to God and offers us forgiveness and eternal life.

The disciples' role as a community in which the new covenant is realized and actualized is significant because it highlights the communal nature of the Christian faith.

In John 17:21, Jesus prays that his disciples may be one, just as he and the Father are one. This unity is not just a superficial unity but a deep, spiritual unity that comes from being one in Christ. As a community, the disciples are to be a witness to the world of the power of the gospel to transform lives and reconcile us to God.

In conclusion, John Chapter 20 verses 19 to 23 is a pivotal moment in the life of the disciples and the beginning of the Christian community. The feast of Pentecost and the promise of the new covenant highlight the continuity between the Old Testament and the New Testament and the fulfillment of God's promises in Jesus Christ.

The disciples' role as a community in which the new covenant is realized and actualized underscores the communal nature of the Christian faith and the importance of unity in Christ. As we reflect on this passage, may we be inspired to live out our faith in community and be a witness to the world of the power of the gospel to transform lives and bring reconciliation to a broken world.

Blessings ~ Fr Stephen Berecz



Liturgy of the Word

~ **Acts 2:1-11** Luke describes the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles, and the effect it had on them.

~ **Psalms 104** Lord, send forth your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

~ **1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13** The Holy Spirit gives different gifts to different people, for the good of the Church, the Body of Christ.

~ **John 20:10-23** The risen Jesus gives the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples and inaugurates the mission of the Church.

Next Week's readings: Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9; Psalm Daniel 3; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13;

Gospel John 20:10-23

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

This Week at St John the Baptist

Presiding Priest this Sunday

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

Mass times this week in Parnell

Monday to Friday – No Mass until further notice
Saturday 9am

Reconciliation – Saturday 9.30am

St Michael's Remuera Parish Mass times:

Monday to Friday 7am & 12 pm

Winter Timetable for Sunday Masses

Having observed the Mass numbers at the 7 am Mass during the months of June, July and August in 2022, I have decided to trial a "Winter Timetable".

From the first Sunday of June to the last Sunday of August there will be NO 7am masses.

The 5pm Saturday and 9.30 am Sunday Masses are as usual.

St Michael's 8 am mass will be the closest available for an early morning Mass.

Fr Stephen

DONATION POINT TAP

No cash but keen to donate? You can now use the Tap & Go device located in the church foyer to give a one off donation. This is a secure contactless donation using your eftpos/credit cards with PayWave or mobile devices with Apple Pay or Google Pay. It is \$10 for every tap (no receipt will be issued).

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New CDA Connect - Find out what has been happening around the diocese and details about what is coming in the latest edition of the CDA Connect at <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/services/cda-connect/>

Pyjama Drive—To help with the Sacred Heart College/St Vincent de Paul annual Pyjama Drive, we are once again asking parishioners to donate warm, brand new children's pyjamas. These can be dropped off at mass or to the Secretary during office hours. These pyjamas are distributed through Starship Hospital's Ronald McDonald House.

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Climate Action webinars - in the spirit of Pope Francis' Laudato Si' and 'Letter: A Message for our Earth' are to be held from 14 June to 5 July. Organised by the Religious Diversity Centre (RDC) Climate Action Group with the theme, 'E tū mana o Te Ao, Building a Climate of Hope' especially from a view of the Pacific region to mitigate the challenges of climate change and to adapt against future disasters.

For further information & registration details visit: <https://rdc.org.nz/rdc-webinar-series-2023/>

Liturgy for a New Church: the Challenge of Real Participation - Seminar at Mary MacKillop Centre Chapel, Mission Bay. Facilitators: Jo Ayers and Fr Neil Darragh. Saturday 17 June; 10am – 2pm, \$30 waged/ \$20 unwaged. Registrations to Sr Julian by phoning 09 528 1801.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy Mary in the Scriptures—with Kieran Fenn fms. Mondays, 19/26 June & 03/10 July, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Free. Donation/Koha welcome.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/25/mary-in-the-scriptures/>

Focus on Target - Draw Fresh Momentum - with Laetitia Puthenpadath. Tuesdays, 27 June & 04/11/18 July, 12.30-1.30pm. ZOOM. Fee: \$20/session or \$70/4 sessions. <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/11/focus-on-target-draw-fresh-momentum/>
For more information visit www.studyjoy.nz

Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass

Friday 2nd June 7 pm at St Mary's Church, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. All Welcome.

Taize Prayer Evening—Friday 9 June 7pm, Mary MacKillop Chapel, 56 Selwyn Ave, Mission Bay

Monte Cecilia Annual Winter Woollies Appeal
Please help the families supported by the Monte Cecilia Housing Trust with warm new socks, clean blankets, warm PJs, and vouchers for supermarkets, the Warehouse, K-Mart etc to help keep families warm and healthy this winter. If you'd like to donate, you can drop items at their office at 30 Windrush Close during business hours (8.30am to 5pm Monday to Thursday, and 8.30am to 4pm), or let them know if you need a pick-up for **larger collections** by phoning 0800 624848.

Reflecting on St Luke's Gospel

A Retreat focussing on social justice aspects of the Gospel of Luke. 9.30 am-4pm, Saturday 10 June at St Francis Retreat Centre, 20 Hillsborough Road. Led by Bible Scholar Br Kieran Fenn FMS, a teacher of the Scriptures in New Zealand and overseas for more than 40 years. Cost: \$30 including lunch. Applications to Peter Garrick peterg@cda.org.nz phone 022 1300 730

Logos Quiz Night - One Night in Europe

June 3, 5:30-9:30pm at Christ the King Parish Hall. A fun night of entertainment, fine food and wine, and of course a fantastic quiz. Bring your friends and family to make up a team of seven.

Tickets can be purchased individually or as a table of seven. For tickets visit The Logos Project facebook page, see our noticeboard, or email Danielle Webb: daniellewebb02@gmail.com

Jubilee Bursary Semester 2, 2023

For Theology and RE courses. Applications close Thursday, 8th June 2023. Please contact: michellej@cda.org.nz

Christian Life Programme (CLP)

Run by CFC's Singles for Christ, the first session is 8 June at Mary MacKillop Hall, 6 Beatrice Road, Remuera from 6pm-9:30pm. This is open for singles between 18-40 years old. Dinner and refreshments will be served. Contact Shyne 0226321475 or Joven 0275270986

St James' Catholic School, Palmerston North 65th Jubilee— An invitation to all past & present students, staff, families, and supporters to celebrate the weekend of 10 September 2023.

Register your interest by emailing office@stjamescatholic.school.nz

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

David Shennan, Kerwin Arnejo, Francis Morais, Sallyshni Devi, Paul Mulderry, Louise Collins, Dina Miranda, Edilberto Reyes, Malu Beltran, Msgr Paul Farmer, Vivien Emery, Thilsi Vern, Gil Melling, Elenore Byrne, Neira, Ivy Hi, Corazon Villanueva Misa, Ben Hunt, Angela Robinson, AS, Maura Just, Maurice Robinson, Aaron Ablan, Teresa Gudex, Kirei Tua, Emy Calma, BC, Dennis Matthew, Marlee Owens, Samira & Raj, John Sullivan, James L. Cu, Joy Agon, Alberto Olarte, Ana Laura Robles, Ambi Joseph, Alice Swann, Christopher Hughes, Brian Murphy, Ana Denisse Manjarrez, Sue Bedford, Joe Raymond, Royston Beckham, Alana North, Margaret Everett, Mary Bratton, Fr Andrei Centeno, John & Rosa Williams, Linda Mole, Jin Shu Qin, Judy Hanna, Michael Wong, Yaroslav Khmel, Anne Telles, Linus Broughton, Patricia Wright, Sue Wynne Davis, Rosily Chacko, Dawn Rocca, Nicholas James, Rosa Santos, Bonifacio Sanches, Rosita Galarg, Gavin Alexander, Chonusi William, Teana Jones, Maria Martho, Benny Clynes, Jon Manson, Eric & Rachel Smith, Francisco Billinilanz, Lynn Welsh, John Kainuku, Christopher Browne, Barry Spooner, Pamela Vincent, Michelle Bergin, J. Harrington, Serena Coughy, Martin Harriman, Ann Gordon, Adelaida Sison, 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 . . .

Cuihuan Han, Barry Smith, Noeline Levick, Ian Collier, Des Sayegh, Benjamin Delute, Jean Edgcombe, Pat Canning, Doreen Lewis, Waihuka Wiki, Patrick Jerez, Sr Mary Thomas OP, Fr Anton Timmermas MHM, Anthony Devich, Gerald Ryan, Mary Considine, Mark Hill, Marcella Delute, Patricia McCarty, Frank Wilch, Fr Steve Hansey, Fr Terry Fitzpatrick, Maria Lenart, Vao Hunt, Mark Tadecicco, Marikit Luzaga, Nora Owens, Maria Soledad de la Torre, Merton Malloy, Chris Kohlase, Ofa Santos, Neil Sherlock, Christine Reid, Wiki Karen, Br Miles fms, Michael Henderson, Naida Brown, Winsome Cody, Brian Curtis, Stella Jarka, Michelle Petford, Teresita Badua, Nicolas Abalos Davantes, Josie O'Neill, Joe Purvan, Ed Peterson, Frances Kinney, Jenny Harrison, Pia Giacon, Mary Fitzwilliam, Milagros Abera-Parato, Joan Wilde, Msgr Henry Fynes VG, Abelardo Comileng, John Plunket, Mariano Lim, Joshua Feehan, Jose Baldia, Hugh Dunn, Sr John Bosco rsm, Sr Julie Lawrey rsm, Navtej Singh, Nancy Moylan, Isabel Hartshrone, Lucila Martinez, Eutale Leilua, Marin Farac, Pat O'Meagher, Laura Mackenzie, Fr V Courtney, Kathleen Brown, Francisco Monorias, Harnam Singh, Joanna Radich, Anthony Baker . . . *Eternal rest grant to them.*