

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH PARNELL

Sunday Mass Times ~ Saturday Vigil 5 pm, Sunday 9.30 am

NO 7 AM SUNDAY MASS MAY–AUGUST

No weekday Masses until further notice except public holidays.

SATURDAY 9AM MASS & 9.30AM RECONCILIATION RESUME 1 JUNE

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

Parish Secretary ~ Nathaniel Hood: phone (09) 373 3132 ~ Email: office@parnellcatholic.org.nz

www.parnellcatholic.org.nz

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.

Safe Church - Safeguarding

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 whānau, including our tamariki, rangatahi, kuia and kaumātua, feel safe.

If you have any complaints or concerns, our Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Nathaniel Hood and you can contact him 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.

The Square Gift Store

(Catholic Shop)

Liston House, St Patrick's Square
43 Wyndham Street, Auckland CBD 1010
Tel: (09) 365 1693

Email: info@thesquaregiftstore.co.nz

St Vincent de Paul Society

Foodbank Donations

Our Parish welcomes your donations of non-perishable goods and personal care items. The donations basket is located on the ride side of the main entrance as you go inside the church.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Contact the SVPD Food Support team at:

0800 680 090 or 815 6122

Email: foodbank@svdpak.org.nz

Mass for Deaf

12 noon, 2nd Sunday each month. Followed by shared lunch. Poynton Room, 30 New St, Ponsonby. NZSL.

Catholic University Ministry

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Email: thechaplains@cda.org.nz

Diocesan Youth & Young Adult Ministry

www.facebook.com/AKCYM

Contact Sam Brebner samb@cda.org.nz

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).



PARISH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST PARNELL

"Prepare a way for the Lord."

TRINITY SUNDAY ~ 26TH MAY 2024

Celebrating the Mystery of God—TRINITY

The Solemnity of Trinity that we celebrate today is the centre of the mystery of God in his everlasting love and fidelity. We celebrate today God's closeness to us—God is Three Persons in His way of acting—but remains ONE in His love for us!

God's love overpowered our infidelity. God's love survived the death of Jesus and sent the Holy Spirit so that we share in the very life and love of God. Today's solemnity, in honouring the Trinity, celebrates the 'stubbornness of God's extravagant love' for our world and church.

The Trinity is not about wrong mathematics $1+1+1=1$, it is more about the 'mystery' of God and the 'Power of One'. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit, all three persons reveal the fulness of the unity of God's love. By 'mystery' we simple mean that we can never say the final word about God. A mystery, by definition, is something that cannot be defined or affirmed. There is always 'more' to know, share and experience God's love. In the person of Jesus, this 'mystery' of God is given a face, a voice, and a tangible language of life and love. Through Jesus, God becomes reachable. Jesus draws us into the communion of the Holy Trinity. Through Jesus, God and humanity meet.

St. Thomas Aquinas was right when he declared that in trying to define God we suffer from the 'misery of language'. God can be experienced only in the language of love—in creating, redeeming and sanctifying. None of the Trinity ever tires of loving the world and you!

In his fabulous book, *Contemplating the Trinity*, Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa OFM, the papal preacher, says, "Every Christian presentation about God should have a 'Trinitarian' character; in this regard there is still much to be done." Pope Francis continues, "celebrating the Holy Trinity is not so much a theological exercise, but a revolution in our way of life." He adds, "Every day in all that we are and do, we are called to be reflections of the Triune God—gifts of Love to one another!"

We daily sign ourselves in the powerful name of the Trinity—Father, Son and Spirit. In his letters, St Paul always greeted his people in these words; "The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all!" The main altar in this Cathedral is dedicated to the Holy Trinity. It is a daily reminder of God's extravagant love for you. - *Fr Glenford Lowe*

Liturgy of the Word

~ Deut. 4:32–34, 39–40 The Lord God in heaven above and on earth beneath; there is no other.
~ Psalm 32/33:4–6, 9, 18–20, 22, R/. 12 Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.
~ Romans 8:14–17 You have received as spirit of adoption, in which we cry, “Abba! Father!”
~ Matthew 28:16–20 Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Next weekend: Exodus 24:3–8; Ps. 115/116:12–13, 15–18; Hebrews 9:11–15; Mark 14:12–16, 22–26

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

Presiding Priest this Sunday

Saturday 5 pm Fr Christopher Denham
Sunday 9.30 am Fr Christopher Denham

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7 am Mass at Parnell resumes 1st September.

Mass Times this week in Parnell

*SATURDAY 9 AM MASS & 9.30 RECONCILIATION
RESUME 1 JUNE*

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St Michael's Remuera Parish Mass times:

Monday–Friday 7 am & 12 pm
Saturday 8 am

New Parish Bank Account

Please take note of our new Parish Bank Account.
From 1 July 2023, new and one-off donations to the Parish should be to this New Account:
BNZ 02 0108 0705969 000

Altar servers needed in our Parish

If your son or daughter would like to serve at the altar for Mass, please speak to sacristan Peter Lye, or enquire at the Parish Office.
Email: office@parnellcatholic.org.nz. Full training and support will be provided.

SHINE TV Mass Recording from Parnell

This will be broadcast at Corpus Christi 2 June.
Sunday Mass is broadcast weekly 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 Mary's College Past Pupils Association,

Ponsonby. ST. MARY'S PAST PUPILS MORNING TEA. Sun 21 July 11am. Alberton House, 100 Mt Albert Rd. Ticket \$25 (includes free visit through the historic house before or afterwards). Tea/Coffee & Scones. Catch up with old school friends & hear more about preparations for our 175th Jubilee. If paying by internet banking here is the Bank number. ASB 12 3044 0414268 00.
Please include your name & email Deborah when you have paid. If you wish to pay cash at the door please email to reserve a seat. Numbers limited so be in early. pastpupilsstmarys@gmail.com

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.

Safeguarding workshop

Lisa-May, safeguarding co-ordinator for the Catholic Diocese of Auckland, is holding a safeguarding workshop in Grey Lynn parish on Wednesday 29th May at 6.30pm. Any parish volunteers who have yet to attend a workshop are encouraged to join. office@parnellcatholic.org.nz

NZ Catholic

The Diocese has made the decision to transition NZ Catholic from a fortnightly printed publication to a monthly digital publication due to falling circulation numbers, subscribers & advertisers. More information: <https://nzcatholic.org.nz/>

Young Adults Ball Saturday 14th September

7pm–11pm at Muhughs of Cheltenham 46 Cheltenham Road Auckland. Back by popular demand, we are excited to bring you The Young Adults Ball 2024! The theme for this year is 'Wonderland'.

Early bird tickets on sale now: Go to facebook.com/AKCYM to get your ticket or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

Masterclass Saturday 22nd June 3pm–8:30pm

at Te Kupenga 40 Vermont St Auckland. If you're a youth ministry leader or young adult ministry leader, you're invited to our quarterly event dedicated to equipping, empowering and energising you for ministry. Registrations now open: Go to facebook.com/AKCYM to register or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.

Catholic 30s & 40s Meetup, Silo Park Night

Join us on 15 June at the Silo Park Night Markets at Wynyard Quarter. There'll be heaps of great food stalls and amazing live entertainment—under the night sky, next to the harbour. The plan is to meet at 6:30pm & all interested should reply to Marie-Claire for the meet up location. aklcatholicinglesocialgroup@gmail.com

Trinity—An Invitation to God's Table

Reflection day at Mary MacKillop Centre.
Date: Saturday 8 June—9am–4pm. Cost: Waged \$35 Unwaged \$25. Registrations to Sr Jill mbspirituality@sosj.org.au Ph 021 091 15260

Auckland Interfaith Council

invites you to "Dialogue & Learning" Saturday, 13 July 2024, 11am–3pm Browns Bay, Bahá'í Centre. Guest speaker Professor Emeritus Peter Lineham on "Diverse Faiths in New Zealand—Challenges & Opportunities". For more information please check out our website at www.aucklandinterfaithcouncil.org.nz/events/diverse-faiths-in-new-zealand-challenges-opportunities/

Monte Cecilia Housing Trust

As the colder months approach, Monte Cecilia Housing Trust invites the community to support our families in need through our annual Winter Woollies Drive. We are seeking donations of new or near-new warm clothing and bedding to help keep everyone cosy this winter. You can help by donating any new or gently used (and clean) warm clothing, blanket or bedding. Please bring any donations to our main office: 30 Windrush Close, Māngere, Auckland during Business Hours, (which are 9am to 5pm from Monday to Thursday, and 9am to 4pm on Fridays). If you'd rather make a financial contribution, you can do so through Monte Cecilia's website. Your generosity can make a big difference in the lives of the families we support, so let's band together and keep our community warm this Winter!

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

Luke Sebastian Catiben, Scott Hickey, Maureen Adsett, Bernadette Tan, Chonusi William, Teana Jones, Maria Martho, Linus Broughton, Dawn Rocca, Lyn Sparks, Royston Beckham, AS, Margaret Everett, Ian Werder, Maryke Lind, Joy Mitchell, Francis Morais, John Kainuku, Christopher Browne, Serena Coughy, Adelaida Sison, Rita Lopez, Wayne Barden, Mary Bratton, John & Rosa Williams, Michael Wong, Yaroslav Khmel, Rosa Santos, Linus Broughton, Dawn Rocca, Royston Beckham, AS, Margaret Everett, Lyn Sparks, Ian Werder, Maryke Lind, Paul Mulderry, Louise Collins, Judy Hanna, Neira, Thilsi Vern, Ivy Hi, Dina Miranda, Malu Beltran, Vivien Emery, Gil Melling, Teresa Gudex, Corazon Villanueva Misa, Ben Hunt, Angela Robinson, Anne Telles, Kirei Tua, Maurice Robinson, Maura Just, Aaron Ablan, Alice Swann, Dennis Matthew, Marlee Owens, John Sullivan, Joy Agon, Lynn Welsh, Samira & Raj, James L. Cu, Linda Mole, Alberto Olarte, Ana Laura Robles, Brian Murphy, Christopher Hughes, BC, Ana Manjarrez, Sue Bedford, Joe Raymond, Patricia Wright, Sue Wynne Davis, Ann Gordon, Nicholas James, Bonifacio Sanchez, Rosita Galarg, Gavin Alexander, Benny Clynnes, Eric & Rachel Smith, J. Harrington, Rodolfo Paragas, Virgilia Velasquez, Shannon Kavanagh, Dennis Obillos.

We remember those who have died recently & 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 Timmerman MHM, Anthony Devich, Gerald Ryan, Mary Considine, Mark Hill, Marcella Delute, Patricia McCarty, Frank Vilich, 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 Karena, 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 Giaccon, 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 Hartshorne, Lucila Martinez, Eutale Leilua, Marin Farac, Pat O'Meagher, Laura Mackenzie, Fr V Courtney, Kathleen Brown, Francisco Monorias, Harnam Singh, Joanna Radich, Anthony Baker.

Retreats & Events at St Francis Retreat Centre

For more info/dates and to book visit www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz or call 09 625 6651. **Time Out Days**—For those who seek a day retreat—9:30am–2:30pm (\$30 includes lunch) | Thu 27 Jun | Tue 9 Jul. **Behold the Man**—A retreat for men with Fr Michael Therese CSJ | Fri 7 Jun 7pm–Sun 9 Jun 4:30pm | Email retreats@sfrcc.org.nz to register your interest and receive more info. **24hr Quietude**—For those who seek a short retreat—Fri 7pm–Sat 7pm (\$120pp incl accommodation + food) | July 12th/13th. **Women's Prayer Retreat**—A reflective prayer retreat in the Catholic tradition for Women | 3 nights, 4 days starting Thu 1 Aug 7pm–Sun 4 Aug 3pm | Earlybird (before 2/7) \$350 | Standard \$400. **Living as the Beloved**—Silent Retreat based on the book 'Life of the Beloved' by Henri Nouwen | \$599 all meals and accommodation | Fri 25 Oct 5:30pm–Mon 28 Oct 5pm | Email jmartin.blaker@gmail.com to register.

World Youth Day Auckland Saturday 17th August

10am–8:30pm at Victory Convention Centre 98 Beaumont St Freemans Bay. Save the date for this incredible experience! Young people aged 13–30yrs old (and their youth leaders!) are invited to join us for an unforgettable celebration of our Catholic faith. Get ready for praise & worship, a special guest speaker, Mass with Bishop Steve Lowe, free kai, time to connect with other young Catholics, and so much more! Registrations opening soon! Go to facebook.com/AKCYM for updates or email felicitym@cda.org.nz for more info.