

St Mary's Parish

Ko Hehu Te Kaiwhakatipu - In Christ We Live and Grow



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4th February 2018

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus replies to his disciples when they tell him: "Everyone is searching for you," by saying: "Let us go to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." (Mk 1: 38) Clearly the mission to go further afield to proclaim the Gospel is fundamental to Jesus' understanding of what the Father was asking of him. Not only that, Jesus does not send out the disciples to preach ahead of him at this stage. He needs to proclaim the message in person. St Paul carries the torch on saying: "... for an obligation is placed on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel!" (1 Cor 9: 16), and, "But how are they to call on the one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one whom they have not heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent?" (Romans 10: 14-15) The message for us today is that we, as obedient disciples, cannot rely on others to proclaim the Good News for us or on technology and mass media to perform this function impersonally. Rather, we need to proclaim the Gospel in our own lives and to go out to others in their isolation and suffering. We do this not out of a sense of duty but impelled by the power and beauty of the message we bear: "For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them." (2 Cor. 5: 14-15)

MASS TIMETABLE : 5 - 11 February

Monday	Mass	9:00am
Tuesday	Mass	12:00pm
Wednesday	Mass	9:00am
Thursday	Mass	9:00am
Friday	Mass	9:00am
Saturday	Mass (Memorial Mass)	11:00am
	Vigil Mass @ St Columba's	5:00pm
Sunday	Mass	10:30am
	Mass @ St Columba's	12:00pm

Reconciliation is available after Saturday morning Mass and on request.



PLEASE PRAY FOR –

Jacinta Chapman, Marzia, Carmel Walton, Vinnie Carroll, Edwin Evans, Kath O'Hagan, Shane Hoy, Vincent Chan, Jan Rodgers, Clare McCartney, Trish Collis, Sue Fryer, Laura Roberts, Neil Burton, Wiki & Delastro Maniapoto, Marie Hubbard and all in rest homes and hospital care.

Prayer Chain - please phone Sally: 326 9209.

RECENTLY DECEASED - RIP

Fr Don Hamilton SM, Fr Graeme Blackburn (Christchurch), Sr Adrienne Whitehead.

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES –

Brian King 5, Bernadette Loach 11, Peggy O'Neil 11, George Wildin 15, Olga (Bubs) Fahey 18, Mary Noaro 20, Jock O'Neil 23.



ROSMINIAN COMMUNITY

Congratulations to **Khuong Nguyen** who is being received as a **Postulant** (first formal stage of formation) in the religious family of the **Institute of Charity (Rosminians)** today. Many of you will have met Khuong who has been with us for the last six months (brother of Trung a seminarian for the Palmerston North Diocese).

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration to restart on 6th February, 10am.

HOLY ROSARY

All Parishioners are encouraged to recite the Holy Rosary every Saturday at 8.30am before the 9am Mass.

ASHHURST LATIN MASS PARISHIONERS

The Mass on 11th February will be offered by Fr Brockhill at 12pm. The Rosary is recited half an hour prior to the Mass time. Pot luck lunch after Mass. Fr Sherry will offer the Latin Masses on 18th and 25th February. No post-Mass lunches are planned.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS At St Mary's

In English at 5pm and Malayalam at 6pm on 16th and 23rd February, 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd March.

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER 11th February

Mass Co-ordinator: S.Xavier

Sacristan: S.Thomas

Greeters: L. & B.Verghese

Altar Servers: S. & S.Sibi, A.Makiwa

Readers: A. & A.John, P.Sojan

Offertory: Roberston family

Eucharistic Ministers: I.Tavake, J.Muwunganirwa, P.Tavake, M.Wilson-Munday, T.Kigufi, H.Wilson-Munday, L.Tavake, A.Kriechbaum

Junior Liturgy: L. & T.Makiwa

Counters: E.Drury & P.Widdup

Collectors: J. & N.Trocia, K. & I.Tavake

Hospitality: E. & M.B.Gormly

Prayers: R.Andrew

Altar Linen (Feb): A.Kriechbaum

Floral Arrangers: E.Legg

Cleaners week beginning 11th February: E. & N.Legg, K.McNamara.

Sister ADRIENNE WHITEHEAD

There will be a Memorial Mass to celebrate the life of Sister Adrienne on 10th February, at 11am at St Mary's. All are welcome to attend.

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO 9am MASS ON SATURDAY, 10th February.

**HOLY HOUR – 2pm
At St Mary's
Sunday, 25th February**

PALMS for ASH WEDNESDAY

Can you please bring in your palm leaves from last year and put in the basket on the table in the foyer.

ASH WEDNESDAY

There will be 2 Masses at St Mary's on Ash Wednesday, 14th February – 9am and 12pm (School Mass).

MARIAN EUCHARISTIC COMMUNITY

Kerala Catholic Prayer Community prayer meeting, every Monday 4.15pm – 7pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE

Legalising euthanasia or assisted suicide would endanger the lives and wellbeing of people who are vulnerable, including those suffering from mental health issues, our elders, and the disabled. For more information go to -- www.nathaniel.org.nz

END OF LIFE CHOICE BILL

Do you need help to write a submission – you can visit the Diocesan Office after 11am today for assistance. For a quick link go to – notoassistedsuicide.nz

Submissions are now open and must be received before 20th February.

**Your Voice
Make it Heard
Make it Count**

PRO-LIFE FACTS

One way in which pro-life Christians can take witness for life in Aotearoa-NZ in 2018 is by signing up for 40 Days for Life, 2018. This year, the vigil begins on Wednesday 14th February (Ash Wednesday) and concludes on Sunday 25th March (Palm Sunday). For more pro-life information, visit www.fli.org.nz and for help or advice on pro-life issues, call the John Paul 2 Centre for Life on 09 629 4361.

WEL-COM

Pick up your copy of this free newspaper today.

SEEKING ACCOMMODATION

We have a parish family who urgently seek a flat or small home in PN. Please contact Robin 027 576 3273 or the Cathedral Office if you can help.

This Sunday's Readings –

Job 7:1-4, 6-7

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Mark 1:29-39

Next Sunday's Readings –

Leviticus 13:1-2, 45-46

1 Corinthians 10:23 – 11:1

Mark 1:40-45

CELEBRATE 75 YEARS OF DOMINICAN WORK

in Catholic Deaf Ministry in NZ – 45 years of Sr Maureen O'Hanlon OP's work with our deaf and

40 years since the Dominican Sisters started deaf ministry work in the Wellington and Auckland Dioceses.

**Sunday 18th February at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
Mass at 9.30am followed by lunch**

RSVP to

catholic.deaf@pndiocese.org.nz

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE THE DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER

At www.pndiocese.org.nz

www.facebook.com/centralcatholic.nz for updates, news and photos of what is happening around the Diocese.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society is looking for a suitable food storage shed about the size of a single or preferably double garage with power. Ideally located near the inner city, accessible by members to prepare food parcels, no food will be issued direct to clients from the shed. We would even consider a small portion of land to erect a garage or a part of a premises accessible by members without interfering with the owner/business. We are seeking a long term arrangement. If you can assist or discuss please phone either Mike Keenan 021 185 8969 or Roger Clark 021 678 141.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

29 April – 19 May 2018.

For more info please contact Pukekohe Travel phone: (09) 237 0013 or 0800 785 386, email: tours@pukekohetravel.co.nz

PLANNED GIVING

Do you wish to contribute to Planned Giving and support St Mary's Parish? Inland Revenue will reimburse one third of your donations. Please call into the office to set up.

HOLY CROSS SEMINARY



www.holycross.org.nz

CATHOLIC RADIO

Sundays 9am on

Access Radio Manawatu 999kHz AM

AGLOW MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, 22 February

See noticeboard for details.