

19th Nov 2017 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings This Week

Prov 31: 10-13, 19-20
Ps 127:4-5
1 Thess 5: 1-6
Mt 25: 14-30

Readings Next Week

Ezek 34: 11-12, 15-17
Ps 22:1-3, 5-6
1 Cor 15: 20-26. 28.
Mt 25: 31-46

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 127:1)

Response: *Happy are those who fear the Lord.*

Communion Reflection

The Cost of Talent

I have not the fine audacity of men who have mastered the pen, or the purse.
The complexes of many slaves are in my verse.
When I straighten my shoulders to look at the world boldly I see talent coldly damning me to
stooped attrition.
Mine was a beggar's mission to dreams of beauty I should have been born blind.
I should have been content to walk behind watching the reflection of God's delight:
A second-hand teller of the story a second-hand glory.
It was not right that my mind should have echoed life's overtones.
That I should have seen a flower petalled in mighty power.
From *The Complete Poems of Patrick Kavanagh*

St Vincent de Paul Collection for the Needy will be taken up after all Masses THIS weekend

HOLY CROSS PARISH NOTICES

CCD (PARISH PRIMARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION): Every Sunday after the 10.30am Mass (during school term), 11.30am – 12.30pm at Holy Cross Parish, Henderson, taught by The Missionaries of Charity Sisters. More children aged 7 to 12 years are welcome to join the group to learn more about their Catholic faith.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Norah will be selling her Christmas raffle this weekend. The draw will be done on **27th November**. \$2 each or 3 tickets for \$5.

ADORATION AND PRO-LIFE ROSARY this **Sunday 19th November**, in the church. Adoration starts at 2pm followed by Pro-Life Rosary

Someone needs your kindness St Vincent De Paul Society asks for your help towards others. We could deliver a food parcel, visit or offer care. If you know of anyone in need please tell us by contacting Marie, Pastoral Worker, 09 838 1558 (Parish Office).

MARIAN MOTHERS GROUP meet this **Monday 20th November, 7.30pm**. For more information: contact Frances on 818-8606. All mothers welcome!

The DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP. Next Sunday 26th Nov. 2pm in the church meeting room. All welcome to join in prayer.

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING. The **10.30am Mass on 26th November** will incorporate an outdoor procession led by the Filipono Community in honour of Christ the King. As usual, please congregate INSIDE the church for the start of mass.

MEETING of ALL MUSIC GROUPS/ CHOIRS. ALL leaders (or a representative) are asked to attend a meeting with Fr. Sebastian, to be held in the church, on Saturday 16th December at 4pm. All are asked to be there, if you are still available to be involved in this ministry for the parish, so that the rosters for the New Year can be finalised.

NZ CATHOLIC The Nov. 19 – Dec. 2 issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: Making our parishes into oases of mercy. NZ bishops to ask ICEL to look at 1998 translation. Sainly pope's relic in NZ church. Parish place for ashes of loved ones. \$4 each. Available this weekend, and from the Parish Office during the week (9am to 1pm)

2018 Columban Calendars pictorial religious calendars \$12 each. Every catholic home should have one; have you got yours? Support the missionary work of the St. Columban Society of priests and religious.

BULLETIN SPONSORS: Inviting anyone interested in placing paid advertisements in the parish bulletin. We are considering "one offs" or "short term" placements, along with the regular "annual" subscriptions, with a price to suit your marketing budget. We are hoping to get the print run done before the Christmas rush, so don't delay, please contract Brian Oliver at the Parish Office.

Inter-Faith Meeting. Bishop Patrick Dunn, and members of the St. Mother Teresa Interfaith Committee invite you to hear T P Sreenivasan, retired Diplomat with the Indian Foreign Service and past Governor for India at the International Atomic Energy Agency. Sunday 26th November, 2.30pm at Christ the King Church, Mt. Roskill. For further details, contact Arthy Devadoss on 022-319-3621 or email motherteresait@gmail.com

Mercy Spirituality Centre 104 The Drive, Epsom. Bookings essential.

- **REFORMATION Series: The Cathedral of St Peter in Bautzen** with BEATE MATTHIES Thurs 30 Nov 10am-12pm. \$15. See website for more details. Ph. 638 6238 or info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

Holy Cross Catholic School: Do you have children who are due to start school? We provide quality Catholic education for Boys (Years 1 to 6) and Girls (Years 1 to 8). For more information and enrolment forms contact the school office at 8 Lavelle Road, Henderson. Non preference places are fully subscribed, but there are still places available for preference students. We look forward to meeting you - **Janice Borsos (Principal)**. Office hours are 8.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday or phone 838 8802. Email: admin@holycross.school.nz

Catholic Disciple College: A warm invitation is extended to the end of year Graduation Mass on Sat 25th November 2017. 1.30pm Mass then 3pm Graduation Ceremony. St. Joseph's Parish Church, 10 Dominion Street, Takapuna.

Marcellin College's 60th Jubilee is coming up on next **23-25 March 2018**. Registrations are now open; check the website at www.marcellin.school.nz

Rosters: to help improve communications, ALL leaders, readers and ministers of communion are asked to confirm their CURRENT address, preferred contact phone number, a personal email address, and which preferred mass/es you are available for, by emailing Brian Oliver at secretary@hendersoncatholic.org.nz the details or contacting him at one of the weekend masses, as soon as possible.

Cleaning Roster

25th Nov – Fiji Community

Children Liturgy Roster

Sun 26th Nov 2017

9am: Patricia Couto

10.30am: Charlie Tevaga

Reconciliation Schedule

Sat: 11.30am - 12.30pm,
6pm – 6.30pm

Wed: 6.30 - 7.00pm

Also by appointment
Phone Friary - 838 8663

Holy Cross Mass Schedule

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri – 9am

Wed - 9am & 7.30pm

Sat - 8am

Sat Vigil Mass: 7pm

Sun Masses: 7am 9am 10.30am & 7pm

LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 18th & 19th Nov 2017

Mass	Leader	Reader	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry
Sat 7pm	D Wong	J Soniega	A & K D'Souza	Evelyn Pereira
Sun 7am	D Dominguez	S Veatupu	K Veatupu, G Dominguez	
Sun 9am	A Swann	M Smith	S Smith, P Coakley, E & E Heynen B Boyd-Bell, C & S Orquejo, L Swann	Lesatele Family
Sun 10.30am	T Tevaga	M Tuala	M Sagat, J Martinez	Couples for Christ
Sun 7pm	FIJI COMMUNITY			Fiji

LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 25th & 26th Nov 2017 – *Christ the King*

Mass	Leader	Reader/s	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry
Sat 7pm	G Mascarenhas	J Soniega, S Moodley	S & S Sequeira	Indian Community
Sun 7am	J Cama	A Fakasiieiki	K & L Fakasiieiki	
Sun 9am	J Brodie	S M Fonoti A Baptist	C. Aalbers, P van Rotterdam, T Malone T MutiMuti, B Boyd-Bell, Lockingtons, Ofa	Vaka'uta Family
Sun 10.30am	FILIPONO COMMUNITY			Filipono
Sun 7pm	J Borsos	Losena & Loretta Ahio	P Tanginoa, E Tanginoa	Christine Bosen & Group

Scripture Readings during the week: Psalter Week 1

Monday: 1 Macc 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-64, Lk 18: 35-43
Tuesday: **Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary**
 2 Macc 6:18-31, Lk 19: 1-10
Wednesday: **St Cecilia, virgin & martyr**
 2 Macc 7:1, 20-31, Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Macc 2: 15-29, Lk 19: 41-44
Friday: **St Andrew Dung-Lac, & Companions;** priest
 1 Macc 4: 36-37, 52-59, Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Macc 6: 1-13, Lk 20: 27-40

Pope Francis compared saints to church windows which let the light through in different colours. He stated:

"This is the purpose of our life too: to have the light of the Gospel pass through it to others"

Pope Francis – Nov 1, 2017

Does my life let the light of the Gospel shine through?

PRO LIFE. Last Friday marked the sixth anniversary of the peaceful prayer vigil outside Thames Hospital by a small band of elderly volunteers. Friday is when abortions are performed. So far, three babies are known to have been saved when their mothers stopped to talk. Last year, pro-abortion groups organised a counter-protest. The pro-abortionists wanted the local council to ban the Friday prayer vigil, but it somehow never happened and the vigil continues. It is not easy for the mostly elderly volunteers arriving before 8am and standing outside the hospital gates, especially when passing drivers jeer and yell insults; but as the old saying goes: "Most of the Christian Walk is just turning up."

For more pro-life information, visit www.voiceforlife.org.nz.

Advertisement. Have your property tidy and well maintained. Pruning, trimming, weeding, mowing, clean ups. For all your gardening requirements. Phone **Mike McDaid** on 09-836-8321 or text 021-0274-9825 to arrange a quote.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wed 6.30 - 7.30am in the Friary Chapel. For vocations to the Capuchin Order. Concludes with the Morning Prayer of the Church

Thurs 9.30am - 2pm in the Friary Chapel. All parishioners are invited to share in these hours of prayer and adoration for their own needs, those of their family and for all the needs of our parish.

ROSARY
 Monday to Friday - 8.40am
 Saturday - 7.40am
PROLIFE ROSARY & ADORATION
 3rd Sunday of each month – 2pm
FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
 Rosary – 6.45pm followed by
 Adoration & Holy Mass
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
 Tuesday – 8.25am
NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
 Wednesday – 7.10pm
20 DECADE ROSARY
 Wednesday - After 9.00am Mass

Fr. Sebastian Fernandes OFM Cap – Parish Priest
 Fr. Matthew Clerkin OFM Cap – Asst. Parish Priest
 Fr. Albertus Suprpto OFM Cap – Asst. Priest
 Fr. Boniface Kujur OFM Cap – Asst. Priest
 Fr. Ranjit Ekka OFM Cap – Asst. Priest

On the Church Noticeboard

- Inter-faith Meeting: 26th Nov. 2.30pm. Church of Christ the King
- Joshua Catholic Mens' Fellowship next meeting 29th Nov, 7.30am
- St. John the Evangelist, Otara. Parish Gala: 8.30am to 1pm Sat 2nd Dec.
- Advent Vespers St Pat's Cathedral Sat 2nd Dec. 7.30pm
- Advent Retreat. 3rd to 8th Dec 2017 St. Francis Retreat Centre.

Legion of Mary

Senior Legion - Tue 7pm
 Junior Legion (8 - 18 years) - Mon 6.30pm

Meets in the Church Meeting Room

Come & Enrich Your Spiritual Life!