

29th April 2018 – 5th Sunday of Easter

Readings

This Week

Acts 9: 26 - 31
Ps 21: 26-28, 30 -32
1 John 3: 18 - 24
John 15: 1 - 8

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Next Week

Act10: 25-26. 24-35. 44-48
Psalm 97-1-4
1 John 4: 7-10
John 15: 9-17

Response to Psalm 21

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

Communion Reflection

The Vine and the Branches

Lord, you said: 'I am the vine, you are the branches.

Separated from me you can do nothing,

But united with me you will bear much fruit.'

Thank you, Lord, for the bond you formed with us.

And thank you for the bond that exists among us because of our union with you.

Thanks to this bond we have invisible riches to share with one another.

Grant that we may never be separated from you,

So that we may produce in the world the fruits of faith, hope, and love.

New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies

*'We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves. Do you **work** for a living? **Be holy** by labouring with integrity and skill in the service of your brothers and sisters. Pope Francis.*

Fr Raymond's Collection for the Capuchin Missions overseas will be taken up NEXT weekend.

Bishop's Forums: Tuesday 15th May, at Christ the King, Owairaka 7.30pm. Tuesday 22nd May, at St. Anne's, Manurewa 7.30pm and Sunday 27th May, St Columba Centre, Ponsonby 1pm

HOLY CROSS PARISH NOTICES

Fr Joseph Victor, Founder of the Congregation of Jesus the Divine Healer, a gifted preacher, will be celebrating mass and speaking on the theme Forgiveness as a path to Spiritual Growth, in our parish on **Wednesday 2nd May, 7pm to 9pm**. Contact Anil on 022-364-9306. (*Parishioners – please note that the usual Novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help precede the mass from 6.45pm*)

1st Friday of May: This coming Friday (4th May) is the First Friday of the month. Novena prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Adoration, precede the 7.30 pm mass.

Are you up for it? The Holy Cross HEHA group in conjunction with the West Auckland Fono are involved in a health initiative to study healthy lifestyle options. If you own a smartphone (tablet, laptop or computer), have access to the internet, and have an email address, you are invited to participate in the 12 week study. The Programme CoOrdinator and representatives from our HEHA group will be available after masses this weekend with information about the study, and to talk to those of you who are interested to joining. **OL @-OR@**

NZ Catholic. *The April 22 – May 5 issue is available this weekend or from the Parish Office during the week. Some headlines are:* NZ bishops quoted in Pope's apostolic exhortation. Church teaching had impact on union leader. 40 Days for Life brings some special graces. Astronaut took Communion while orbiting earth. The next issue of *NZ Catholic* will be published on May 6.

Retreats, Courses & Other Events

Dove West Auckland: *"Jesus the way to the Father"* with Keryn Hewitt on Tuesday 1st May at 7:30pm at St Michael and All Angels Church, 425 Great North Road, Henderson. For more information please call: Jane 0211178977.

Mercy Spirituality Centre 104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

- **CULTURAL Diversity Series: Deaf Culture, New Zealand Sign Language** with RACHEL MARR. Wed 2 May, 10am-12noon. \$15 incl. morning tea. We will be learning basic facts and skills on how to connect in a positive and joyful way with people who are unable to communicate by spoken language.
- **TRINITY Series: Relating to oneself, relating within God, relating between God and ourselves** with HELEN BERGIN op. Thurs' 10, 17 & 24 May, 10am-12noon. \$15 each or 3 talks for \$40 incl. morning tea.
- **Weekend Workshop: EVERYTHING IS CONNECTED Completing the Works of God** with KATHLEEN RUSHTON rsm. Fri 18 May, 7-9pm & Sat 19 May, 9.30am-4pm. \$50. BYO Lunch

See our website for more details. Bookings essential.

SEE THE NOTICEBOARD

Board Offered: 2 single fully furnished rooms, with access to small kitchen. Henderson area, close to trains and buses. \$170 per room per week. Includes power, water and internet. Suit university students, workers or single mum. If interested, contact Margaret on 837-4127 or 021-154-6476.

St Thomas More Parish, Glenfield. 35 years a parish. 6 May 2018 – 10am Mass. 7pm - Concert at Rosmini College.

90th Jubilee of Marist College

Saturday 12th May at Marist College Gymnasium, 31 Alberton Ave. Mt Albert, Auckland from 1pm. Mass at 5pm. Sunday 13th May: Visit the Marist Sisters at home: 11am to 2pm. Registrations visit www.maristcollege.ibdn.nz

Something About Mary. At the Pompallier Centre, Ponsonby. Thursday 17th May. 7 to 8.30 pm

These sessions are appropriate for RCIA catechists, those involved with sacramental programmes, and religious education.

Vacancies

Parish Pastoral Worker: St. Patrick's Cathedral. Part time. 20-25 hrs per week. Applicants should be an active Catholic, with theological formation & ministerial experience including running RCIA and other sacramental programmes. To view the job description, visit www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz. Please send a covering letter and CV to Syd Beguely, St Patrick's 43 Wyndham St Auckland 1010, or email: info@stpatricks.org.nz

Caritas NZ: Full time Communications, Marketing & Fundraising Advisor, part time Communications & Marketing Assistant and a short term contract role of Social Justice Week Advocate. If you're interested in joining the Caritas team and contributing to the Church's work in social justice visit <http://www.caritas.org.nz/get-involved/work-us> for further details."

Jubilee Bursaries

Applications for Semester 2, 2018, close Thursday, 31 May 2018

The Bursary is to financially assist those wishing to study Theology or Religious Education at university level and are Catholic, and personally involved in some way in the mission of the Church in the Auckland Diocese.

Many parishioners have been helped in their studies since the bursary was inaugurated in the year 2000.

PRO LIFE MESSAGE

The co-founder of the modern abortion movement in the USA was Dr Bernard Nathanson who ran the world's largest abortion clinic in New York. By 1974, greatly influenced by NZ's own Professor, Sir William Liley, the "father of foetology", Nathanson began to acknowledge the foetus as a developing human being. "I had an increasing certainty that I had in fact presided over 60,000 deaths." Now a pariah to his former allies, he eventually became a Christian at age 69, but burdened with a terrible load of sin. Jesus Christ became his new love and before baptism he wrote: "I will be free from sin for the first time in my life, and I will feel the shelter and warmth of faith." He spent the rest of his life doing everything in his power to fight the "mystery of evil", his description of abortion. **For more pro-life information, visit www.voiceforlife.org.nz.**

LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 28th & 29th April 2018

Mass	Leader	Reader/s	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry
Vigil 6 pm Sat	E Cueva	J Songeia	J & G Cueva	DRCNZ
Sun 7 am	D Dominguez	D Dominguez	G Dominguez, M Veatupu	
Sun 9 am	M Warren	S M Fonoti	C & S Orquejo, N & L Lockington, F.Skinner, M Seufatu, C Seiuli B Oliver	E Pereira
Sun 10.30 am	J Borsos	M Yap	F Borsos, J Matautia	Fiji Community
Sun 6 pm	T Tevaga	U Taatiti	P & E Tanginoa	Betham Family

LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 5th & 6th May 2018

Mass	Leader	Reader	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry
Vigil 6 pm Sat	T Mati	J Mati	D & L Cowan	Christiine Bosen
Sun 7 am	D Dominguez	Drammond Dominguez	G Dominguez, W Veikoso	
Sun 9 am	J Brodie	I D'Silva	C & A Crasto, P Tomas, T Malone, E Kennedy, N Suvalko, A Gultom, B Oliver	DRCNZ
Sun 10.30 am	T O N G A N C O M M U N I T Y			Tongan Choir
Sun 6 pm	J Borsos	S.Ivicevich	F Borsos, M Belleza	Betham Family

Psalter: Week 1

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Mon: Acts 14: 5-18. Ps 113B: 1-4. 15-16 Jn 14:21-26
 Tues: Acts 14:19-28 Ps 144:13-13. 21 Jn 14: 27-31
 Wednesday: Act 15: 1-6 Ps 121: 1-5 Jn 15: 1-8
 Thursday: **Sts Phillip and James, apostles.**
 1 Cor 15: 1-8 Ps 18: 2-5 Jn 14: 6-14
 Friday: Acts 15: 22-31 Ps 56: 8-12, Jn 15: 12 -17
 Saturday: Act 16: 1-10 Ps 99: 1-3. 5. Jn 15: 18-21

Fifth Week of Easter

Holy Cross Mass Schedule

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri – 9am Wed - 9am & 7.30pm
 Sat - 8am Sat Vigil Mass: 6 pm
 Sun Masses: 7am 9am 10.30am & 6 pm

Reconciliation Schedule

Sat: 11.30am - 12.30pm, Sat: 5pm – 5.30pm
 Wed: 6.30 - 7.00pm
 Also by appointment Phone Friary - 838 8663

Abortion Law Review – Have Your Say

The Minister of Justice has asked the NZ Law Commission to review NZ abortion law with a view to taking it out of the Crimes Act. The effect of this would be that abortion would be unrestricted, even up to birth. There is strong evidence that abortion is connected to increased risk of mental and physical health problems and relationship breakdown.

Input can be sent to the Law Commission up to 5pm on 18 May 2018, online at:

abortionlaw.lawcom.govt.nz/ or emailing: alr@lawcom.govt.nz or posting your comment to: Abortion Law Review, New Zealand Law Commission, PO Box 2590, Wellington 6140.

There is no set format for input.

It is worth noting that the current abortion law regulates providers, but protects women who undergo abortions from being prosecuted.

For further information:

<https://mailchi.mp/4f601e802edf/law-commission-review-on-abortion-law?e=9ec1f18628>
<http://voiceforlife.org.nz/blog/>
www.chooselife.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/Law-Commission-Submission-Guide.pdf

Rosary

Monday to Friday – 8.40am Saturday – 7.40am

20 Decade Rosary

Wednesday – After 9.00am Holy Mass

Prolife Rosary and Adoration

3rd Sunday of each month – 2pm

First Friday of the Month

Rosary at 6.45pm followed by Adoration & Holy Mass

Divine Mercy

Chaplet: Tuesday 8.25am. Meeting 4th Sunday 2-4pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesday – 7.10 pm

Sacrament of the Sick

3rd Friday of the month – 11.00am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday – 6.30-7.30am at Friary Chapel

Thursday – 9.30am to Noon in the Church

Secular Franciscans

2nd Sunday of the month – 2.15pm

Marian Mothers

Meet on 3rd Monday of the month

Legion of Mary

Senior: Tuesday – 7pm Junior: Monday – 6.30 pm