

16th Sept 2018 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings this Week

Isa 50:5-9
Ps 114:1-6, 8-9
Jas 2:14-18
Mark 8:27-35

Readings Next Week

Wis 2:12, 17-20
Ps 153:3-6, 8
Jas 3:16 – 4:3
Mark 9:30-37

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 114: 1-6, 8-9)

Response: *I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.*

Communion Reflection

Faith Without Works

A watch may have a gold chain,
but if it doesn't tell the time it is useless.
A fruit tree may be teeming with blossoms,
but if it doesn't produce fruit it is useless.
A lamp may be studded with diamonds,
but if it doesn't give light it is worthless.
And a faith that doesn't result in good works is dead.

The fruit of prayers is faith.

The fruit of faith is love.

The fruit of love is service.

And the fruit of service is peace.

(New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies)

RCIA PROGRAMME. The next season of the RCIA programme will commence shortly. If you, or a friend, or family member wishes to learn more about the Catholic faith, or become a Catholic, please contact the Parish Office. The meetings will be commencing soon, to be held in the Friary, 14 Lavelle Road on Monday evenings.

St Vincent de Paul's collection for the needy is to be taken up after all Masses this weekend



LAUDATO SI'

The natural environment is a collective good, the patrimony of all humanity and the responsibility of everyone. If we make something our own, it is only to administer it for the good of all. If we do not, we burden our consciences with the weight of having denied the existence of others.

(Pope Francis, Laudato Si' #95)

What is our parish / community doing to protect the environment? What are we doing in our homes?

**Exaltation
of the
CROSS**

**Wishing all
the
Parishioners
Happy &
Blessed
Feast Day
of the
Exaltation
of the
Holy Cross!**

HOLY CROSS PARISH NOTICES

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION group photo orders are available now for collection. Please see Brian after Mass or Parish Office during the week.

CHURCH LIFE SURVEY. We are asking for any volunteers who have a couple of hours to spare during the week to assist with entering the results on the website, in the Parish Office – hours to suit. Contact Brian 838 1558 Monday to Friday, 9am to 1pm.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK. The next **Sacrament of the Sick** is on the **21st of September (Friday) at 11am**, followed by a light lunch.

ADORATION & PRO-LIFE ROSARY is **this Sunday, 16th September in the church**. Adoration starts at **2pm** followed by Pro-life Rosary.

DIVINE MERCY GROUP is meeting from 2pm at the church meeting room next Sunday, **23rd September**. Everyone is invited to attend.

HOLY CROSS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP will have their monthly meeting on **Thursday 20th September** in the church meeting room from 7-8.30 pm. All men of the parish are invited to come along and meet with other men in the parish.

HOLY CROSS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP is having their annual retreat on **Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th October** at St. Francis Friary in Hillsborough. The topic will be **'Growing in Faith'** and will be facilitated by Fr. Anthony Selvaraj OFM. For details, contact Anil Baptist 0223649306 or George Schuster on 0212080447. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

NZ CATHOLIC 9 – 22 Sept issue is out now. Some headlines are: *Cardinal Dew in Ireland. Forgiveness is essential, Francis tells families. Involving God in our significant life decisions. Catholic 1st XV's take out premierships.*

ST VINCENT DE PAUL'S CHRISTMAS CARDS & CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS will be on sale at weekend Masses commencing from 22nd September until sold out. Price \$3 each for the pack of 5 assorted Christmas Card or a pack of 10 assorted Christmas Gift Card. Thank you for your support to St Vincent de Paul Society of Holy Cross Henderson!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL HOLY CROSS HENDERSON are having a Sausage sizzle for fundraiser on **Saturday 29th September** to be held at Bunnings, New Lynn from 9am - 4pm. Please support the Vinnies in their fundraising!

RETREATS, COURSES & OTHER EVENTS

Saint Dominic's College Premier netball team would like to thank Holy Cross parishioners for their kind donations and contributions toward our fundraising for UNISS. We raised **\$1600** for both bake sales and were able to enjoy an amazing experience with other upper North Island schools in Tauranga. We are truly grateful to you for supporting us. Thank you again and God Bless you all.

Holy Cross Seminary invites all clergy and parishioners to celebrate with the seminary staff and students the Feast of the Holy Cross Mass. Mass will be held at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont St, Ponsonby, **Monday 17th Sept, 5pm**.

Youth for Christ West Central Youth Camp: CFC-YFC Youth Ministry of Couples for Christ would like to invite all the youth for "This is Him" **Entry Camp**. It will be a fun filled activities to know more about Jesus Christ and build Christian fellowship with other youths. **Date: 28 - 30 Sept 2018. Venue: Sir Peter Blake Marine Education & Recreation Centre (1045 Beach Rd, Long Bay, Auckland).** More info, please contact: Lootsie & Bong Albao (YFC Coordinator) 021-2163916 / 021-2163912.

Join the **Catholic Young Adults Community** at the next session of *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist* happening on **Monday, 17 Sept, 6pm** onwards at Pompallier Diocesan Centre, Ponsonby.

G.I.F.T. OPEN DAY Bishop Pat's Apostolate for Intellectually Disabled Christians (Growth in Faith Together) is holding an Open Day on **Friday 28th Sept** from 10.30am to 4.30pm at 28a Telford Ave, Balmoral, Phone 620 9524. Please come and visit during the day.

Mercy Spirituality Centre (104 The Drive, Epsom). - Bookings essential.

- **MEDITATION Retreat Day** with CATHRYN WILES-PICKARD rsm. Sat 22 Sept, 9.30am-3.30pm. \$35 morning tea incl. BYO Lunch. This Retreat Day is for those experienced in Christian Meditation as part of their daily prayer.
- **CELEBRATING 30 YEARS: High Tea & Mercy Day** Mon 24 Sept, 2-4pm incl. afternoon tea. Donation/Koha. We invite you to step apart to enjoy the warmth of hospitality in this oasis of beauty and peace where we will share our story with you.
- **TONGAN Culture: Faa'i kavei koula'ae Tonga with HILA'ATU and 'ANITELU TULI.** Thurs 27 Sept, 7-9pm. \$15. Looking at the four main principles all Tongans grow up with, and how these beliefs are related to the teachings in the Bible and how they are applied in Tongan life today.

See website for more details. Ph. 638 6238 or info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz or www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

Diocesan Job Vacancies

1) Leader Faith Formation Team, Parish & Pastoral Services Group (Full-Time Position of 40 hours)

The Parish & Pastoral Services Group seeks an enthusiastic committed person to work as Leader Faith Formation Team to promote, encourage and support faith formation in the Diocese and to lead and guide the Faith Formation Team. A Masters qualification in Theology or Religious Education is desired.

2) Mission Support Officer, Parish & Pastoral Services Group (Full-Time Position of 40 Hours)

The Parish & Pastoral Services Group seeks an enthusiastic committed person to work as Mission Support Officer to promote, encourage and support mission in the Diocese. A qualification in Theology, Religious Education or Pastoral Theology is desired.

For both positions, you will need to be committed to the ministry of the Catholic Church with an understanding of its teachings and structures; have appreciation of the cultural diversity of the Diocese; understanding of the Bi-cultural commitment of the Diocese; an excellent communicator; willingness to work flexible hours including some Saturdays and Sundays. Some theological formation is essential, if a degree is not held. For full position descriptions, please visit our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz under Quicklinks and staff vacancies.

SEE THE NOTICEBOARD

The Annual Mass for Pope Francis on his Patronal Feast Day will be celebrated by Bishop Patrick Dunn at the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph on **Thursday 4th Oct at 12.15 pm**. The Mass will be followed by light refreshments and celebratory cake in Liston Hall. Be sure to sign the greeting card. Normal weekday Wilson car parking rates apply.

Candlelight Rosary Procession & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. **Sunday 7th Oct at 7pm.** Sacred Heart College (250 West Tamaki Rd, Glen Innes). Led By Bishop Patrick Dunn. All are invited.

LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 15th/16th SEPTEMBER 2018

Mass	Leader	Reader	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry
Vigil Sat 6pm	M de Hoog	S Lea	J Gawler-Lata, M Camacho	Evelyn Pereira
Sun 7am	M Turnwald	F Ah Ken	F Ah Ken, G Dominguez	
Sun 9am	J Brodie	M Smith	S Smith, E & A Jariel, E & E Heynen, P, E & X Tanginoa	Lesatele Family
Sun 10.30am (Parish Feast Day Mass)	A Swann	M Yap P Finau	L Swann, M Sayat	Couples for Christ
Sun 6pm	FIJI COMMUNITY		E Kennedy, F Borsos	Fiji Community

LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 22nd/23rd SEPTEMBER 2018

Mass	Leader	Reader	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry
Vigil Sat 6pm	G Mascarenhas	M de Melo	L de Melo, N Nau	Indian Community
Sun 7am	M de Hoog	Peter Turnwald	A & K D'Souza	
Sun 9am	R Lesatele	T Turagbeci	C Seuili, M & V Pua, B Oliver, M Ishak, F Skinner, M Seufatu, J Baptist	Vaka'uta Family
Sun 10.30am	FILIPINO COMMUNITY			
Sun 6pm	M Rubesa	M Tuala	M Belleza, A Bulatiko	Betham Family

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: 16th Sept: 10.30am – P Laos

23rd Sept: 9am - L Maagdenberg 10.30am – C Tevaga

CLEANING: 22nd Sept: Fiji Community **29th Sept:** Volunteers

Scripture Readings during the week: Psalter Week 4 (Green)

Monday: *St Robert Bellarmine, bishop & doctor of the Church (White)*

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 39:7-10, 17; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31; Ps 99; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: *St Januarius, bishop & martyr (Red)*

1 Cor 12:31 – 13:13; Ps 32:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: *Sts Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, priest & martyr and*

Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions, martyrs (Red)

1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 117:1-2, 15-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: *St Matthew, apostle & evangelist (Red)*

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 18:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 55:10-14; Lk 8:4-15

Pro-Life Facts: Re the End of Life Choice (Euthanasia) Bill, the opportunity to speak to Parliament's Justice Committee is coming to a close very soon. Anyone who made a written submission early this year can request to speak to the Committee for up to 5 minutes. Interested people are urged to contact the Secretariat ASAP at Justice.EndofLife@parliament.govt.nz or 04 817 8506 or 04 817 8305. The Committee prefers people to speak in person, but people can also speak to them via a free phone call. Sessions are open to the public, but people can ask to speak in private. Euthanasia-Free NZ recommends that people include a true story from their personal or professional life, clearly state one or two main points, keep their talk single-issue, and send the Committee a written copy afterwards. More information and free personalised support are available online at tiny.cc/orals and 0800 42 76 42. **For more pro-life information, visit www.voiceforlife.org.nz.**

CHURCH REBUILDING DIRECT CREDITS.

The Fund is now in a new separate bank account. So all existing direct credits must be changed to **02-0814-0181634-006**. Please include your name as reference. Any further enquiries, please contact Brian at Parish Office during the week.

Scholarship for Study at Good Shepherd College:

Bishop Patrick Dunn is pleased to announce the launch of a new scholarship to be known as the *Ruth Miller Scholarship for Study at Good Shepherd College*. This scholarship will be available for a selected number of people who intend to do one or more Theology papers at Good Shepherd College towards a Bachelor of Theology degree in 2019. For further information about this scholarship and to receive an application form, please contact Linda McQuade, Vicar for Education, Email: lindam@cda.org.nz. **The closing date for applications is 15 October 2018.**

ROSARY
Monday to Friday – 8.40am
Saturday – 7.40am

20 DECADE ROSARY
Wednesday – After 9.00am Mass

PROLIFE ROSARY & ADORATION
3rd Sunday of the month – 2pm

DIVINE MERCY
Chaplet: Tuesday – 8.25am;
Meeting: 4th Sunday of the month – 2pm

NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
Wednesday – 7.10pm

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
Rosary – 6.45pm followed by Adoration & Holy Mass

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
3rd Friday of the month – 11am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Wednesday – 6.30am to 7.30am
at Friary Chapel

Thursday – 9.30am to 12pm in the Church

SECULAR FRANCISCANS
2nd Sunday of the month – 2.15pm

MARIAN MOTHERS
3rd Monday of the month

HOLY CROSS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
3rd Thursday of the month – 7pm

LEGION OF MARY
SENIOR: Tuesday – 7pm
JUNIOR: Monday – 6.30pm

HOLY CROSS MASS SCHEDULE

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

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Sat: 11.30am - 12.30pm & 5pm – 5.30pm
Wed: 6.30pm - 7pm
Also by appointment Phone Friary - 838 8663