

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2018 – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Readings this Week

Wis 2:12, 17-20

Ps 53:3-6, 8

Jas 3:16 – 4:3

Mk 9:30-37

### Readings Next Week

Num 11:25-29

Ps 18:8, 10, 12-14

Jas 5:1-6

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

### Responsorial Psalm (Ps 53: 3-6, 8)

**Response:** *The Lord upholds my life.*

### Communion Reflection

#### The Rewards of the Just

God's inspiration is at work in everyone.

However, there are people in whom divine inspiration seems to have no effect;

people who commit crimes cold-bloodedly, and who never rejoice at the sight of the true and the beautiful.

Even though they may seem to prosper, their punishment is assured even in this world.

The anxieties and fears that assail them make their prosperity a bitterness to them.

As for the just, even though their passage through life is often dogged by misfortune,

the inward satisfaction of obeying divine inspiration gives them great strength, and is sufficient reward for them.

*(New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies)*

### Notice for all Ministers of Communion

From the first weekend in October, we will be making a change to the way we serve at Holy Communion. After the Sign of Peace, you will come forward as usual, but instead of going up onto the Altar, you will wait at the bottom of the steps until after the priest has consumed the Body & Blood of Christ. For Masses that have Holy Communion under both kinds, two Eucharistic Ministers will then go up for a Chalice & Ciborium & serve the rest while the priest will bring the Vessels down for distribution as usual. For other Masses, the two serving Eucharistic Ministers will go up & receive Communion, then distribute as usual.

### NATIONAL CATHOLIC PRIESTS ASSEMBLY

**PASS ON THEIR THANKS.** 190 Catholic priests from throughout New Zealand met in Christchurch last week for their five-yearly national assembly. The assembly provided priests with an opportunity for them to renew their commitment to priesthood in an informal gathering. In a real spirit of collegiality, the week's programme gave the priests a chance to spend time together and to openly reflect on and discuss their own experiences in ministry and pastoral life. Thank you to you, our parishioners, for your prayers and support for what was an invigorating and inspirational week.



Grace is not part of consciousness; it is the amount of light in our souls, not knowledge nor reason. -Pope Francis-

**Reminder:** Daylight saving starts **next Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018**. Please remember to put your clock forward by one hour ☺.

## HOLY CROSS PARISH NOTICES

**RCIA PROGRAMME.** The RCIA programme is commencing now. 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 are held on Monday evenings.

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

**MUSIC ROSTER FOR OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2018** is available now in tray by the organ. For those music groups or choirs involved, please take a copy home.

**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 rest of the results on the website, in the Parish Office – hours to suit. Contact Brian 838 1558 Monday to Friday, 9am to 1pm.

**WORLDWIDE ROSARY.** In commemoration with the Worldwide Rosary on 7<sup>th</sup> October, there will be a recitation of the **20 Decade Holy Rosary on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October** at 3pm in Holy Cross Church, Henderson. Let us come and pray the Holy Rosary together!

**INDIAN COMMUNITY FOOD STALL RAFFLE TICKETS.** The winners of the raffle tickets organised by the Indian Community on the Parish Feast Day Food Fair last Saturday were **1<sup>st</sup> Prize - Barry B; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - Neetu B; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - Anka A.** Congratulations to the winners!

**JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY** of Holy Cross Parish Henderson is having Movie Day **next Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2pm** in the parish hall. Further enquiries, please contact: Lilibeth Espinosa 021-1841504. All youth are welcome!

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL'S CHRISTMAS CARDS & CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS** will be on sale at weekend Masses commencing from 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup> September** to be held at Bunnings, New Lynn from 9am - 4pm. Please support the Vinnies in their fundraising!

**NZ CATHOLIC 23 Sept – 6 Oct issue is out now.** Some headlines are: *NZ bishops write letter of support to Pope. Changing pew dwellers into missionary disciples. Candles set Auckland church statue on fire. St Peter's College wins national 1<sup>st</sup> XV title.* The next issue of *NZ Catholic* will be published on **October 7.**

**ABUNDANT GIFTS PIETY STALL** will be outside the Church after all Masses (except Sun 7pm) this weekend.

## PARISH FEAST DAY WEEKEND

**Congratulations!** The parish would like to thank all the stall holders, helpers, participants and supporters who came along to the annual Food Fair and Feast Day Mass last weekend. Special thank you to the **Filipino Community, Tongan Community, Samoan Community, Fiji Community, Indian Community, Sri Lankan Community, Korean Community, Indonesian Community, Caring Community, BASIC Youth Group and HEHA Group** for your time, effort and support! It was such a joy to see you all, and we hope to see those who could not make it this time next year. We had a successful weekend! Gross proceeds raised amounted to **\$ 7,170** which will go towards the Parish operating costs. Please refer the church noticeboard for details. God Bless you all!

### Mass and Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help on 3<sup>rd</sup> October (Wednesday)

There will be a slight change to the time of the Rosary, Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help and Mass on **3<sup>rd</sup> October (Wednesday) evening** in conjunction with the Transitus of St Francis of Assisi in the parish. **6.20pm – Rosary; 6.40pm – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help; 7pm Transitus of St Francis of Assisi, followed by Mass.**

### Transitus of St Francis of Assisi

(Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7pm in Holy Cross Church, Henderson)

A Celebration on the Eve of St Francis of Assisi's Feast Day. Each year on the third evening of October, Religious and Secular Franciscans ritually remember the passing of Francis of Assisi from this life into God. This ritual specifies the living memory of St. Francis; it intensifies our commitment to follow Jesus Christ in the way of the poor man of Assisi.

## RETREATS, COURSES & OTHER EVENTS

**Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship North Shore** welcomes all men to the September meeting on **Wed 26 at 7.30pm.** Guest speaker: **Michael Pervan.** Topic - *Mystical theology of St John of the Cross.* Venue: St Josephs Centre, 1 Fred Thomas Drive, Takapuna. More info contact Russell at 0220345678. [www.joshua.org.nz](http://www.joshua.org.nz). Come and spend quality time with other Catholic men and enjoy the fellowship.

**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 28<sup>th</sup> Sept** from 10.30am to 4.30pm at 28a Telford Ave, Balmoral, Phone 620 9524. Please come and visit during the day.

**Deaconate Ordination of Martin Wu.** Holy Cross Seminary and the Catholic Diocese of Auckland joyfully invite you to the Ordination of **Martin, Y.H Wu** to the Sacred Order of Deacons on **Sat 29 Sept 2018**, at 10.30am in Sacred Heart Church, Vermont Street, Ponsonby.

**Diocesan Job Vacancies** 1) Leader Faith Formation Team, Parish & Pastoral Services Group (Full-Time Position of 40 hours) & 2) Mission Support Officer, Parish & Pastoral Services Group (Full-Time Position of 40 Hours). For full position descriptions, please visit our website [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> Oct at 7pm.** Sacred Heart College (250 West Tamaki Rd, Glen Innes). Led By Bishop Patrick Dunn. All are invited.

## LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> 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

## LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 30<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER/1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2018

Mass	Leader	Reader	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry
Vigil Sat 6pm	D Wong	S Moodley	M Camacho, A Sue	DRCNZ
Sun 7am	Daniel Dominguez	Draymond Dominguez	G Dominguez, W Veikoso	
Sun 9am	M Warren	A McGrath	C Connolly, L Buckley, P Bakker, B Boyd-Bell, M & S Lesatele, O Tuuhetoka, P van Rotterdam	
Sun 10.30am	J Borsos	C Ouano	F Borsos, L Swann	Indian Community
Sun 6pm	F Tufts	J Mati	P Tanginoa, J D'Souza	Betham Family

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept: 9am - L Maagdenberg 10.30am – C Tevaga

30<sup>th</sup> Sept: NO Children's Liturgy (School Holiday)

**CLEANING:** 29<sup>th</sup> Sept: Volunteers 6<sup>th</sup> Oct: Tongan Community

### Scripture Readings during the week: Psalter Week 1 (Green)

**Monday:** Prov 3:27-34; Ps 14:2-5; Lk 8:16-18  
**Tuesday:** Prov 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 118:1, 27, 30, 34-35ff; Lk 8:19-21  
**Wednesday:** *Sts Cosmas and Damian, martyrs (Red)*  
 Prov 30:5-9; Ps 118:29, 72, 89ff; Lk 9:1-6  
**Thursday:** *St Vincent de Paul, priest (White)*  
 Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17; Lk 9:7-9  
**Friday:** *St Wenceslaus, martyr (Red)*  
*St Lawrence Ruiz & Companions (Red)*  
 Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 143:1-4; Lk 9:18-22  
**Saturday:** *Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, archangels (White)*  
 Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 137:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

**Pro-Life Facts:** Sidewalk counselling near abortion clinics is a hot issue with buffer zones legislated in some Australian states. Abortion-rights advocates want them in NZ, but in Britain the new Home Secretary Sajid Javid has resisted such calls after investigations found the counsellors were peaceful and helped women. According to a sidewalk counsellor from Hastings, where 36 babies are known to have been saved: "A buffer zone would hinder women speaking to us and accessing the information and care that we can provide." The counsellor says she has had post-abortive women tell her that they wish someone had been there on the day of their abortion to offer them help and hope. **For more pro-life information, visit [www.voiceforlife.org.nz](http://www.voiceforlife.org.nz).**

### Responding to the NZ Housing Crisis

In his 16 September Pastoral letter to all Parishioners Bishop Pat asked 'whether your Parish, or individuals within it, can provide affordable rental accommodation or emergency housing or furnishings to help a homeless family'. If you think you may be in a position to assist in this way, an initial contact can be made with Catholic Social Services ph 378 9650 or [johnm@cassauckland.org.nz](mailto:johnm@cassauckland.org.nz).

**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. **Date: 28 - 30 Sept 2018. Venue: Sir Peter Blake Marine Education & Recreation Centre (1045 Beach Rd, Long Bay, Auckland).** Contact: Lootsie & Bona Albao (YFC Coordinator) 021-2163916 / 021-2163912.

### CHURCH REBUILDING DIRECT CREDITS.

The Fund is now in a new separate bank account. So all existing direct credits must be changed to **02-0184-0181634-006**. Please include your name as reference. Any further enquiries, please contact Brian at Parish Office during the week.

### ROSARY

Monday to Friday - 8.40am

Saturday - 7.40am

### 20 DECADE ROSARY

Wednesday - After 9.00am Mass

### PROLIFE ROSARY & ADORATION

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month – 2pm

### DIVINE MERCY

Chaplet: Tuesday – 8.25am;

Meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> 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

3<sup>rd</sup> 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

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month – 2.15pm

### MARIAN MOTHERS

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month

### HOLY CROSS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

3<sup>rd</sup> 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