

4th August 2019 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings This Week

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23
Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17
Col 3:1-5, 9-11
Lk 12:13-21

Readings Next Week

Wis 18:6-9
Ps 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19
Lk 12:32-28

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 89:P 3-6, 12-14, 17)

Response: *In every age, O Lord, You have been our refuge.*

Communion Reflection

Heavenly Glory

While out for an evening walk
I emerged from an area
where the streets were lit by bright lamps,
and came into an open, dark area.
It was only then I discovered that
the sky was full of stars.
And I thought to myself: how easily and
how effectively the earthly lights
extinguish the heavenly ones.
Lord, help us to seek the things
that make us rich in Your sight,
and grant that the glitter of this world
may not dim our hopes of heavenly glory.
(Flor McCarthy, New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies)

There is a grievous evil which I have seen under the sun,
riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt. - Ecclesiastes 5:1

IS SORROW AND GRIEF,
ANXIETY OF THE
HEART, EVEN AT NIGHT,
MIND IS NOT AT REST,
YOUR OCCUPATION?



All who store up treasure for themselves are poor in the
sight of God. - Luke 12:21

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

As the cold bites we pray that all people will have
access to food, appropriate clothing and shelter
and that all may be generously hospitable in
helping those less fortunate.

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY (Solemnity) on Thursday 15th August
2019** is the Patronal Feast for Aotearoa, New
Zealand. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass is
at **9am** and **7.30pm**.

There was a good man who refused to make a will,
instead he said he would leave his children the best
thing he had: the pattern of his life. Give away your
possessions, your gifts and your love now. Don't wait
until someone else does it when you are dead.

(Flor McCarthy, New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies)

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HOLY CROSS PARISH NOTICES

- 1) **FR. RAYMOND'S COLLECTION FOR THE MISSIONS** will be taken up after all Masses this weekend.
- 2) **CCD CLASS:** There will be NO CCD (CATECHISM CLASS) next Sunday as 42 of our Parish's children will be having their First Holy Communion and Confirmation at 2pm. The Catechism class will resume on **Sunday 18th August** from 11.30am to 12.30pm in the Parish Hall.
- 3) **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK** will be celebrated on **Tuesday 20th August** at 11am followed by a shared luncheon.
- 4) **PARISH "GIVE A LITTLE" ACCOUNT:** Planned Giving (1st & 2nd) 02-0100-0120966-14; Church Rebuilding Account 02-0184-0181634-06. Please include name & initials in the reference column. Your help and support is much appreciated!
- 5) **THE SECULAR FRANCISCANS** are meeting on **Sunday 11th August at 2:15pm**. Contact Lyndon at 021 851 713 for more information.
- 6) **HOLY CROSS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP** will hold their monthly meeting on **Thursday 22nd August** from 7 to 8.30pm in the Friary meeting room. All men of the parish are invited to attend. Contact George Schuster 0212080447 or Anil Baptist 02236439306.
- 7) **ABUNDANT GIFTS PIETY STALL** (selling religious items) will be in the Parish Hall kitchenette after all Masses (except Sunday 6pm Mass) this weekend.

HOLY CROSS PARISH AGM 2019

The Parish Annual General Meeting for 2019 will be on **Sunday 25th August**, after the 10.30am Mass in the Parish Hall. All parishioners are invited and urged to be present in the AGM to be part of our parish well-being and development, particularly the rebuilding of the Church. A kind reminder to all the leaders of the parish groups and communities, please submit your annual reports for the AGM to the Parish Office before **19th August**.

RETREATS, COURSES & OTHER EVENTS

National Vocations Awareness Week: Today is the feast of St John Vianney, the patron of parish clergy. Pray for your priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in your community. Next Thursday is the feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that these saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from your community.

Dove West Auckland: "Spiritual Journey Testimony" with Jan Cherrington on **Tuesday 6th August at 7:30pm** at St Michael and All Angels Church, 425 Great North Road, Henderson. For more information please call: Jane 0211178977.

Ordination: Bishop Patrick Dunn and the Catholic Diocese of Auckland joyfully announces the **Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood Martin, Y.H. Wu, Saturday 10th August 2019 at 11.30am** in Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph (43 Wyndham St, Auckland). *Light refreshments will also be offered following the ordination.*

Why should Christians be Pro-Life a presentation from Pastor Daniel of the Reformed Church on what the Bible has to say about Euthanasia and Abortion, and Brendan Malone from Voice for Life on how to be practically prolife. **Wednesday 14th August 2019 at 7:30pm**. Reformed Church of the North Shore (72 Trias Road, Sunnynook).

Auckland Interfaith Council presents **The Imam and the Pastor 27th August 7.30-9pm**, Hillsborough Room, Fickling Center, 546 Mount Albert Rd, free.

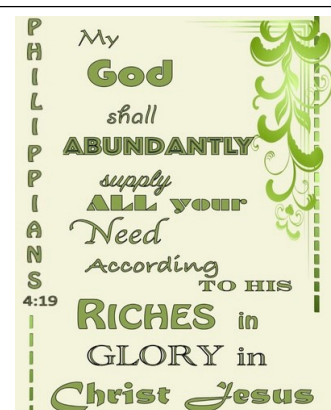
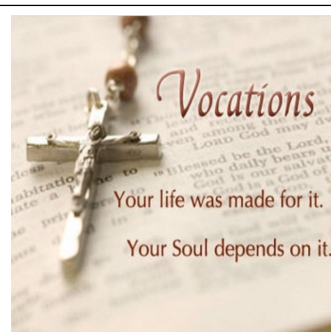
Catholic Young Adults Community meet every Monday, 6.30pm onwards at Pompallier Diocesan Centre, Ponsonby. To stay updated with this group, check out their Facebook page. Search for @CatholicYoungAdultsCommunity on Facebook.



ABUNDANCE IN CHRIST

"Keep your eye on the main chance" is advice for gamblers and followers of Jesus! The pessimists who say "All is vanity," the rich man in today's Gospel, and we need to follow that simple rule. Living in the presence of God is truly the only security necessary; all the rest will be filled in later and better. Paul tells us to think about the life we have hidden with Christ and how we will be revealed in all our glory with Him. "There is only the Christ: He is everything and in all." He is our main chance of holiness!

(Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C. Illustration © 2001 S. Erspamer. Text, Philip J. Sandstrom, STD © 2000 OCP. All rights reserved.)



LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 3rd / 4th August 2019

Mass	Leader	Reader	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry	Altar Servers
Vigil Sat 6pm	M del Rosario	S Moodley	L & D Cowan	Christine Bosen & Chris	K D'Souza & T Sue
Sun 7am	M Turnwald	C Mendes	K D'Souza, F Ah Ken		
Sun 9am	V Coakley	A McGrath	P Coakley, J Thomsen, O Tuuhetoka, T Malone, L Buckley, S Patolo, N Early, F Skinner	DRCNZ	L Smith
Sun 10.30am	TONGAN COMMUNITY				
Sun 6pm	T Tevaga	J Mati	T Tevaga, J D'Souza	Betham Family	J & S Fernando

LITURGY & MUSIC ROSTER – 10th / 11th August 2019

Mass	Leader	Reader	Communion Ministers	Music Ministry	Altar Servers
Vigil Sat 6pm	E Cueva	I D'Silva	G & J Cueva	Youth for Christ	S & R D'Souza
Sun 7am	D Dominguez	D Dominguez	G Dominguez, W Veikoso		
Sun 9am	M Warren	A Baptist	P van Rotterdam, S Smith, B Boyd-Bell, P Bakker, N Early, M & A McKeown, J Baptist	Evelyn Pereira	F & S Veehala
Sun 10.30am	SAMOAN COMMUNITY				
Sun 6pm	J Borsos	E Auva'a	F Borsos, E Kennedy	Betham Family	J, E & C Redfern

Scripture Readings during the week: Week 2

- Mon:** *Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major (White)*
Num 11:4-15; Ps 80:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
- Tues:** *TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD (White)*
Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 96:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pet 1:16-19; Lk 9:28-36
- Wed:** *St Sixtus II (Pope) & Companions, martyrs (Red)*
St Cajetan, priest (White)
Num 13:1-2, 25 - 14:1, 26-29, 34-35; Ps 105:6-7, 13-14, 21-23, Mt 15:21-28
- Thurs:** *St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, virgin (White)*
1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 63:1-8; Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34
- Fri:** *St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, virgin & martyr (Red)*
Deut 4:32-40; Ps 76:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28
- Sat:** *St Lawrence, deacon & martyr (Red)*
2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 111:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

ProLife Facts: Abortion-rights advocates appear to be enjoying an easy ride promoting decriminalisation of abortion over radio and online newspapers. The common theme is that abortion is healthcare, a human right and should be as accessible as possible. With one recent exception, they seem to get asked easy questions by the interviewing journalists. Decriminalisation of abortion would most likely bring in abortion on demand. It's easy to forget that a preborn baby is involved when abortion supporters pronounce: "My body, my choice!" Mother Teresa of Calcutta got straight to the point: "It is a shame that a child must die, so that you may live as you choose." In a Radio NZ interview on 23rd July, Terry Bellamak, director of the Abortion Law Reform Association of NZ, claimed: "No babies are involved in abortions, it's foetuses" and "It isn't a baby until it's born." This is a matter of semantics that hides the fact that abortion kills a human individual who is going through the early stages of human development. Given the opportunity to be born, the same individual will progress through further stages of development, at no point becoming more or less of a human being. Thanks to the Internet, we can easily see what human beings look like as they develop in the womb. Declining to call a foetus a "baby" does not change the scientific and medical reality that abortion ends the life of a human being. For more pro-life information, visit www.voiceforlife.org.nz.

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

ROSARY

Monday to Friday – 8.40am
Saturday – 7.40am

20 DECADE ROSARY

Wednesday – After 9am Mass

DIVINE MERCY

Chaplet: Tuesday – 8.25am
Meeting: 4th Sun 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 Tuesday of the Month – 11am

SECULAR FRANCISCANS

2nd Sunday of the Month – 2.15pm

HOLY CROSS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

3rd Thursday of the Month – 7pm

LEGION OF MARY

SENIOR: Tuesday – 7pm
JUNIOR: Monday – 6.30pm

MARIAN MOTHERS

3rd Monday of the Month – 7.30pm

Please see the Noticeboard for **Job Vacancies in the Auckland Diocese, Retreats, Courses & Other Events**

Come to me, Lord, in Your abundant Mercy and free me from the desires of this passing world. Help me to desire You above all things and, in that desire, to be overwhelmed by Your divine love. Jesus, I trust in You.