

9TH SEPTEMBER 2018

Ministers of the Word

Ashlynn Tivinia Robert
Kath Jesse Stephanie

Ministers of the Holy Communion

Theresa Mele Anna
Sr. Seini David Sr Kathy
Mirella Marlene Elisepa
Felicia Chris Leone
Linda Loretta Oonagh

Altar Servers

Nicky Crystalline Noah
Isabella Calvin Kris
Josef Emily Cameron

Musicians/ Organists

Liz Veronica

Greeters: Cathy, Owen, John **Cleaning team:** H
Counters: Cedric, Marina & David

Marist Sisters - invite you to join them in praying for vocations. Monday evenings. Holy Hour 7-8 pm in the Convent Chapel.

Your Prayers are requested this week for

Sick members of our Parish - Jonathan Ross, Malini Salt, Theo Purcell, Mick Godwin, Lisa Finucane, Lorenzo Culham, Tim Lythe, Rica Cabral, Ashley Rodrigues, Ang Siong, Catherine Chittillapally, Luca Fairgray, Therese Graham, Mary Guolo, Flynn Morris-Clarke, Nora Walshe, Michele Spijkerbosch, Baby Reilly, Rhoneil Mercado & Ronald Sanidad.

Recently Deceased - Wally Buchanan, may he rest in peace.

Recent Celebrations - Wishing Fr Philip a Happy Birthday for Thursday 30th August, may he have many more to come.

Please let the office know if you wish to have a name placed on or taken off the prayer list.

This newsletter is printed for your information. Please take a copy for your reference. Available on website : www.mtalbertcatholic.org.nz from Mondays.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Our Diocese requires courses to be taken before baptism or marriage. For **Baptism** phone the office on **846-6775** For **Marriage**, please visit www.catholicmarriage.org.nz

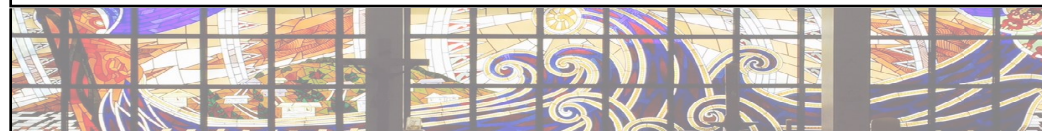
House blessings & visits or unable to get to Mass, please contact the Parish office on 8466775 to have communion brought to you. For a visit from a Priest at Auckland Hospital, please call 358-0825 ext. 4000 or 4045

Senior Legion of Mary - meet Friday evenings in our Church. Phone Cathy on 8460339 for more information.

Catholic Publications – The Parish purchases and sells the latest editions of : **Marist Messenger** -\$5, **Tui Motu** - \$7 & **NZ Catholic** \$4 latest issue out now. Please place money in the little brown envelopes & put it in the collection bags.

Food Bank : run by St. Vincent de Paul Society in our Parish provides foodstuff to those in need in our community. Your dry goods donations of canned foods, long life milk, jams, spreads, rice, biscuits, pasta sauce, pasta are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ 2nd SEPTEMBER 2018



ST. MARY'S PARISH - MT. ALBERT, AUCKLAND

PARISH PRIEST Fr Philip Lakra OFMCap

ASSISTANT PARISH PRIEST Fr Ranjit Ekka OFMCap

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OFFICE 20 Kitenui Ave (Up ramp facing side door of church) Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.30 am - 3 pm, Wednesday 10.30 am - 3 pm.

STAFF Parish Secretary - Johanna Tumahai-Fox
Finance - Megan Williams

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE THIS WEEK
MASS TIMINGS**

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays - 9 am
Tuesday - 7 pm
Thursday - 10 am
Saturday - 9 am, followed by Reconciliation Rite 1
Sunday - 8 am, 10 am, 5.30 pm

A MATTER OF THE HEART

*For many of his hearers
what Jesus said was bad news
... contradicting time honoured
traditions.*

*Jesus, always on his Father's heart
speaks to our human hearts
to that place within us .. with all
its complex emotions and desires.*

*Jesus knows external laws
do not change people's hearts
even if they make them conform.*

*So he invites us:
'Set your hearts first on God's Kingdom'.*

*When our hearts are centred on God
they are freed from a litany
of human regulations that would
pre-scribe our every move.*

*Jesus challenges! Jesus invites us
into a sacred religion of the heart.*

*A heart for Jesus, for his Church,
for his people: this is our real
business.*



GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Anyone is welcome to read a prayer. Please read slowly and clearly.

Response: Lord graciously hear us

We thank you Jesus for Fathers, Grandfathers and those that give us care love and wisdom. May we always remember the special gift they are.....

.....**Let us pray to the Lord**

We remember in a very special way this day Father Philip, Father Ranjit and all priest, may we always appreciate the work they do.....**Let us pray to the Lord**

For all who hand on the traditions of our faith, particularly preachers, teachers, and parents: that they may share the faith clearly and convincingly, and lead others into an experience of God's great love**Let us pray to the Lord**

For all who are suffering from the natural disasters and for those who are assisting them: that God will calm the power of nature, renew their courage, and give strength to those working to assist them**Let us pray to the Lord**

For refugees and displaced persons: that God will guide to safety all who have fled violence and persecution, and help them find welcome in new communities**Let us pray to the Lord**

Gentle Reminders

- Cell Phones - Kindly switch off or put on silent mode during Mass. Thank you.
- If you are sick (cold/flu, infections or any type of bug) please do not take from the chalice.
- Any Parishioners wanting to request a Mass, booking of the Church or for house blessings etc, please call the office to organise. Please note we do not offer any Special Masses on Sundays or on any Holy Days of Obligation.
- Preference Forms will be signed for families registered to our Parish only.
- Once in every three months there will be general anointing of the Sick on the first Saturday. The Forth coming anointing of the sick will be on 3rd of November, instead of 9.00am the Mass will be held at 10.00am followed by tea and coffee.

CHANGE OF MASS TIME - Thursday Mass will now be changed from 11am to 10am starting Thursday 6th September.

Ministers of the Word & Eucharistic Ministers - Please contact the office if you are interested in serving in these ministries especially for 5.30pm Mass. Further details of training will come out at a later date.

Our weekly bag collection for 26th August is \$1379.80 Many thanks for your contributions.

Sunday Readings Year B

2 SEP -1st Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 **2nd** James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27 **GOSPEL** MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
9 SEP -1st Isaiah 35:4-7 **2nd** James 2:1-5 **GOSPEL** MARK 7:31-37

Youth Meetings - Every 1st Sunday of the month. All aged between 16-25 are welcome.

First Friday Morning Tea - after 9 am Mass on 7th September. Please bring a plate to share.

Organist/Musicians - We are in need of organists. Please contact the office if you are interested.

Caring Committee - Meals needed! We have several families who are in need of our help. If you are able to make a meal for a family please contact the office with your details. Thanks!

Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass - Friday 7th September, 7:00pm. Here at St Mary's Church Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by veneration of St Faustina's relic. **All Welcome**

Cathedral Appeal - Sunday 9th September, this money is used to support long term maintenance of our Mother Church - St Patricks Cathedral - A Precious Heritage entrusted to us. A letter from Bishop Pat Dunn in regards to this appeal has been posted on the notice board.

Social Justice Week - 9 to 15 September 2018. Enabling Communities - Everyone has a part to play. Please see notice board for more information.

Justice & Peace Commission - A Social Justice Week workshop providing an opportunity to listen to the stories and challenges of people with disabilities will be held 7-9pm **Tuesday 4th September** St Columba Centre 40 Vermont St Ponsonby. All welcome.

Dove West Auckland - The True Vine, with Linda Fisher ON Tuesday 4th September at 7:30pm at St Michael and All Angels Church, 425 Great North Road, Henderson. For more information please call: Jane 0211178977.

Life Teen Info Evening - Youth leaders, priests, parents and PPC members are invited to the Life Teen Info Evening on Fri 7 Sept, 7pm Pompallier Diocesan Centre, Ponsonby. Randy Raus, CEO of Life Teen USA, will share how their resources and camps lead teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church. Please RSVP with Rochelle on 022 309 2022.

Youth -Growing in your Faith - We invite all young people, 16 years of age and older, who want to grow deeper in their faith to join us as we go through the "Catholicism" series by Bishop Robert Barron. This series will help you grow in your understanding of the Catholic faith, and a chance to ask questions and find out the reasons why we believe, what we believe. We will be meeting on the **6th of September** at Christ the King Parish meeting room, **from 6:30-8pm**, with a light supper and drinks being provided. A full meeting schedule will be provided on the first evening. For more information contact us at christking@xtra.co.nz

Feast of the Holy Cross Mass - Holy Cross Seminary invites all clergy and parishioners to celebrate with the seminary staff and students. Mass will be held at Sacred Heart Church, 16 Vermont Street, Ponsonby, at **5.00 pm on Monday 17 September**. Principal celebrant will be Bishop Peter Cullinane.

Clevedon Valley Music Foundation Trust - presents Vladimir Romanov's *Stabat Mater* - concert to be held on **Sunday 9 September** at St Benedict's Church, Newton, from **2.30 pm to 4.30 pm**. See website for tickets and information: <http://cvmft.org>. Check the noticeboard for more details.

St Francis Retreat Centre - You are invited to a day of Prayer and Quiet Reflection on the 13th September at the Saint Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough Rd, Mt Roskill. The day will commence and 9.30am and finish at 2.30pm. The cost for the day is \$30pp including lunch. Please ring 09 625 6651 to make a booking or email: admin@stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz