

23RD SEPTEMBER 2018

Ministers of the Word

John Pauline Ben
Rob Peter Diana

Ministers of the Holy Communion

Felicia Nebu Ben
Mirella Chris Chloe
Annie Elisepa
Cathy Joseph Leone
Alex Teresa Gail D

Altar Servers

Daniella Sharon Callum
Harper Lucy Dylan
Isaac Emily Finn

Musicians/ Organists

Liz Veronica

Greeters: Cathy, Owen, John **Cleaning team:** B
Counters: Andy, Olwyn, Kevin, Caroline & Irene

Requests for Masses Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please write the details on the front, place your donation inside envelope & hand to Father.

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.

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

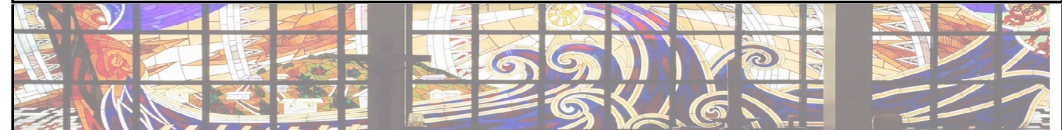
House blessings & visits or unable to get to Mass, please contact the Parish office on 8466775 to have communion brought to you. For a visit from a Priest at Auckland Hospital, please call 358-0825 ext. 4000 or 4045

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.

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ 16th SEPTEMBER 2018



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

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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 hard call ...

*You are the God of extravagant promises.
We relish your great promises
of fidelity, of presence, of solidarity
and we exude in them.
Only to find out, always too late,
that your promise comes with
a hard, deep call to obedience.*

*You are the God who calls
people like us - and a long list
of mothers and fathers before us,
who trusted enough to keep the call.*

*So, we give you thanks
that you are a calling God,
calling always to dangerous new places.*

*We pray enough of your grace
and mercy among us that we
may be among those who
believe your promises enough
to respond to your call.*



Walter Brueggemann

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

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

Response: Lord hear us in your love

For the Church: that our profession of Jesus as the Christ may be manifest through laying down our lives in service for others and in allowing God to raise us to life ..

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

For Pope Francis and all leaders in the Church: that God will give them wisdom in addressing the wounds in the Church and guide them in renewing and restoring the community of faith

Let us pray to the Lord

For the poor in our midst: that we may neither ignore them nor rationalize away their suffering but extend our hearts and hands to assist them

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

For all who carry the cross daily: those with health problems, those who have experienced abuse, those who have made poor choices in life and for those who assist them: that they may know God's presence with them and be enlighten by the Spirit's wisdom and courage

Let us pray to the Lord

For peace: that God will turn hearts from violence and revenge, protect the innocent from harm and bring forth a new season of justice and peace.....

.....**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 book the Church or a 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 from Thursday 6th September.

Praise & Worship Service - Every 3rd Thursday of the month from 7pm to 8pm in our parish. The first one will commence on Thursday 20th September. All are welcome!

Our automatic payments for the month of August is \$5,035

Our weekly bag collection for 9th Sep is \$1827.70 Many thanks for your contributions.

Sunday Readings

16 SEP -1st Isaiah 50:5-9

2nd James 2:14-18

23 SEP -1st Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

2nd James 3:16 - 4:3

Year B

GOSPEL MARK 8:27-35

GOSPEL MARK 9:30-37

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

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!

IN NEED of Eucharistic Ministers & Ministers of the Word - Please contact the office if you are interested in serving in these ministries especially for 5.30pm Mass. Training will commence in October!

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.

Central Youth Fellowship Day - hosted by the Onehunga Parish Youth. Sunday 23rd September. We begin with Mass altogether, followed by games, challenges, lunch, a bit of faith formation, reflection & prayer. Anyone who is considered youth or young adult are more than welcome to join. Please see notice board for more information.

Diocesan Youth Mass - This month, we are blessed to have Vinnies hosting so make sure to keep the 30th September free. Bring along your family, friends and youth members to Mass, which will be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral at 7pm.

Lifest 2018 - Attention young people and youth groups! A one day hands-on event providing young people, *13 to 19 years*, with important tools to build a new culture of life into the future! Formation-Food-Prayer-Prizes. Thursday 4th Oct 9am-9 pm. Epsom Girls Grammar School.

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 September from 10.30am to 4.30pm at 28a Telford Ave, Balmoral, Phone 620 9524. Please come and visit during the day.

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 October 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 Sacred heart College 250 West Tamaki Rd, Glen Innes, Sunday Oct 7th at 7pm. Led By Bishop Patrick Dunn. The purpose of this procession is to pray for Vocations to the priesthood and Religious Life. All are invited!

Diocesan Job Vacancies - The Diocese currently has two job vacancies – Leader Faith Formation Team, Parish & Pastoral Services Group and Mission Support Office, Parish & Pastoral Services Group. Please see notice board for more information.

Scholarship for Study at Good Shepherd - 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.