



NORTH PARISH

Weekly

SUNDAY 10 MARCH / FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (LAETARE SUNDAY)

From the Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

Have you noticed that love carries its own judgment? When we are loved, a standard, a measure of human behaviour, is raised before us. Being loved sets a path of love, a way of living, in front of us. When we receive forgiveness or mercy, our hearts can be transformed, opening us to being loving ourselves.

In this famous passage from the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus says, **“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.”** There is a call to faith from us if the abundant and merciful love of God, revealed in the face of his suffering Son, is to work in and through us. We must believe in Jesus—that he is from the Father and that he loves us; that he is the way, the truth, and the life, and that we are called to follow him.

During this Lenten season, we must ask ourselves: In what ways do we prefer the darkness? In what ways do we struggle with darkness in our lives? Perhaps our first task is to be open to God’s love poured out on us, to be still before God, allowing His presence to challenge our hopes, desires, and how we live.

A big thank you to those who were able to attend the parish gathering last Sunday afternoon. It was heartening to see many of you there. We appreciated the questions, comments, and concerns expressed during the presentations.

The minutes of this meeting and the PowerPoint presentations will be made available on the parish website from Wednesday, 13 March.

We will take time to review the feedback and provide further information. The Building Committee will meet this Sunday with the architect to further develop a timeline for the Visionary Concept phase of the new Church. We will keep the Parish updated in the Bulletin as we progress.

God bless,

Msgr. Rick Loughnan

Parish Priest

PALM SUNDAY (SATURDAY VIGIL MASS)

CHANGE OF TIME

Please note that the 4:30pm Mass on Saturday 24 March, will be celebrated at 4pm for this weekend only.

6pm Mass remains unchanged.

Sunday Mass Times remain unchanged.



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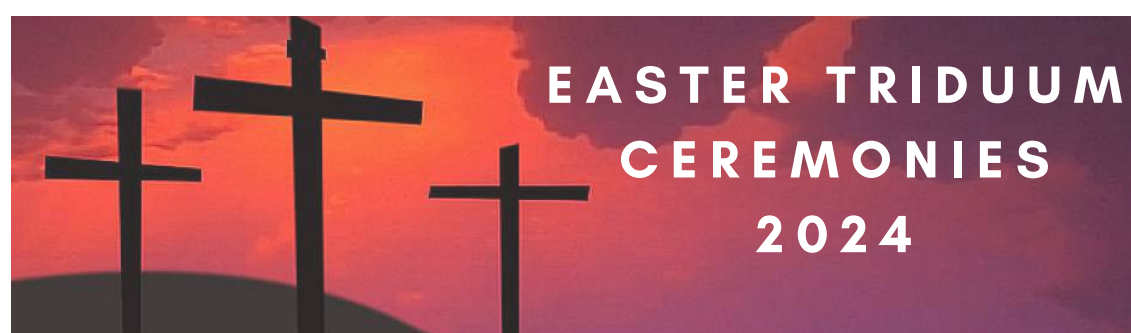
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Tuesday - Friday, 9am-2pm
The priests are available for
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FOR ANY PRAYER REQUESTS.
TEXT 021 413 659



EASTER TRIDUUM CEREMONIES 2024

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper

(Adoration to follow until 10pm, 9:45pm Night Prayer)

St Gregory's Church - 7pm

(There are no 7am, 9:15am and Noon Masses on Holy Thursday)

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross

St Bede's Chapel - 10am

St Gregory's - 10am (led by the Marralameda Community)

The Passion of the Lord

St Gregory's Church - 12 noon & 3pm (Reconciliation follows)

St Bede's Chapel - 12 noon & 3pm (Reconciliation follows)

Holy Saturday

Reconciliations 9.00am - 10.30am St Gregory's Church

(There is no 9:15am Mass on Holy Saturday)

Easter Vigil Mass

St Gregory's Church - 8pm (includes RCIA)

St Bede's Chapel - 9pm

Easter Sunday

Feast of the Resurrection of the Lord

St Gregory's - 8am & 10am

St Bede's Chapel - 9.00am & 11.00am

(note no 5pm Mass at St Bede's Chapel today)

LENTEN RECONCILIATIONS

Tuesday 19 March and Wednesday 27 March
7 - 8pm at St Gregory's Church



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday in Lent, 7pm at
St Gregory's Church



NORTH PARISH PATRONAL VOTE VOTING SAT 9 - SUN 10 MARCH

INSTRUCTIONS:

Before the final blessing, at all of our Masses this weekend, we will ask those in attendance to fill out a Patron Voting Form. These forms will be given out during Mass for you to fill out, and then these will be collected.

For those who are unable to be at Mass but want to vote, please send an email with your Vote of Patron to bulletin@christchurchnorth.org.nz



**CHRIST THE
REDEEMER**



**ST JOHN THE
EVANGELIST**



**ST TERESA OF
CALCUTTA**

**Our vision for the Catholic Parish of Christchurch North is of a missionary parish
bringing people to come to know Jesus Christ personally,
helping them grow as disciples, and going out to others with the Gospel message.**

EASTER ROSTERS

Rosters for the Easter Triduum will be in the foyer from this weekend. We invite you to please sign up for a ministry on one of the Masses during this holy season. Any queries please contact Judith on 027 261 5655 or email pastoral@christchurchnorth.org.nz



CAN YOU HELP SUPPLY PALMS FOR PALM SUNDAY, OR KNOW WHERE WE CAN ACCESS THEM?

Please contact Judith at the parish office.



EASTER FLOWERS

White, yellow, orange or red flowers are required for our Easter celebrations. There will be buckets placed near the Catholic stall on Good Friday morning. If you have any queries, please phone Brenda on 359-6693. Thank you.

DO YOU ATTEND MASSES AT ST BEDE'S COLLEGE CHAPEL ON SUNDAYS?

If you do, then you might like to assist on one or more of our liturgical ministries at the 9am and 11am. We are especially looking for people for greeting, reading, projectionists, offertory and taking up the collection. If you can help please contact Judith on 027 261 5655 or email pastoral@christchurchnorth.org.nz

WE ARE HIRING - MALE YOUTH GROUP LEADER APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 15 MARCH

We are looking for a male Youth Group Leader whose primary role is to support the Youth & Young Adults Coordinator in running our Parish Youth Groups.

This is a paid, 5 hour per week position (Sunday, 3 - 8pm) between Jan/Feb (depending on when Youth Group Begins) through to Dec. Email Fr Alister with an expression of interest and a job description will be sent to you.

MARRIAGE UNPLUGGED: 23 MARCH - 9 - 4:30PM

Marriage Unplugged is a workshop for all married couples of any age or stage. Led by Tim and Jenn Goulding the workshop will help you reconnect with your spouse and grow deeper in your relationship together. Taking the time to strengthen and maintain a relationship can be difficult as the busyness of life creeps in, but it is at these points that it becomes most important to make the effort. St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, Papanui \$50 per couple (morning tea and lunch provided)

Register online at www.jp2.org.nz/marriageenrichment

PARISH COLLECTION - FEBRUARY 2024

	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Automatic Payments	\$44,294	\$50,000
Planned Giving Envelopes	\$6,938	\$9,500
Loose Cash	\$5,411	\$6,000
Total Collection	\$56,643	\$65,500

Thank you for your generous gifting to the Parish

PLEASE NOTE A CHANGE TO OUR 12 NOON MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

- A Requiem Mass for the late Pamela Arthur will replace our usual 12 noon Mass this coming Tuesday, 12 March.
- Due to a Requiem Mass for the late Margaret Frost at 11am on Thursday, 14 March our 12 noon Mass has been cancelled.

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS EVENTS

YOUTH GROUP - ST BEDE'S PAC

This Sunday, 10 March is a **combined** Youth Group
Dinner: 6-6.30pm (provided)
Combined Youth Group (Year 7-13 students): 6.30-8pm

GIRLS GROUP - WEDNESDAY NIGHTS FORTNIGHTLY 6-8PM

Where: St Joseph's Pastoral Centre
When: Wednesday, 13 March
Who: Year 9-13 girls
Please bring a plate to share for dinner!

YOUNG ADULTS - PART 2 OF 'THE ART OF FRIENDSHIP'

All Young Adults welcome to come along to **St Gregory's Church on Thursday, 14 March** for Part 2 of 'The Art of Friendship' delivered by Dr Robert Loretz.

Where: St Gregory's Church When: 6-8pm
What: Delicious BBQ and yarns, talk by Dr Robert Loretz and Adoration in the chapel

If you have any questions email Hannah Morton-Jones at hannah@christchurchnorth.org.nz

ANNUAL NORTH PARISH YOUTH CAMP - FINAL CHANCE TO REGISTER!

Friday 15 - Sunday 17 March, Waipara Adventure Centre
We invite any young person who are Year 7-13 to come and join us for our Annual Parish Youth Camp. The cost is **\$80 per child (\$130 for two siblings, and \$60 for each subsequent child).**

Please don't let the cost deter you from sending your young person to camp. Please contact Hannah if you cannot afford or pay this cost, and we'll sort something out. Visit <https://www.christchurchnorth.org.nz/youth-camp> for more information and to register.

Upcoming Events

- 10 Mar Dad's Day at the Beach - 1pm**
Spencer Park Beach
- 11 Mar Mass at St Patrick's School - 9am**
School Hall (Jeffreys Road)
- 15 Mar Mass at St Albans School Chapel - 9am**
Entrance off Somme Street
- 5 Apr Preference Signing (see website) 3-4pm**
Parish Office

Please send all bulletin messages and noticeboard posters to bulletin@christchurchnorth.org.nz
Deadline - 9am Wednesday Morning and are at the discretion of the Priests and Administration Team.

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:30 pm - St Gregory's Church
6pm - St Gregory's Church

SUNDAY MASSES

8 am - St Gregory's Church
9 am - St Bede's Chapel
10 am - St Gregory's Church
11 am - St Bede's Chapel
5 pm - St Bede's Chapel

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday

7 am & 9:15 am (No 7 am on Public Holidays)

Tuesday & Thursday

Noon - St Gregory's Church

Saturday

9:15 am (Reconciliation follows)

Wednesday (during term)

1:05pm - St Bede's Chapel

Please note: a Funeral Mass may replace a Weekday Mass

RECONCILIATIONS

Wednesdays

6pm - 6:30pm
Christ the King Pastoral Centre

Saturdays

9.45 am - 10.45 am
St Gregory's Church
[or by appointment]

ROSARY

St Gregory's Church

Mon-Sat - After 9.15am Mass
Wednesday - 2 pm
Thursday - 11:30 am
Saturday - 5.40 pm

BAPTISMS are held on the fourth weekend of each month. For more information view the Sacrament page on our website.

CATHOLIC STALL

St Gregory's Church
Sunday after the 8am & 10am Mass

CHURCH PHYSICAL ADDRESSES

St Gregory's - 26 Cotswold Ave
St Bede's Chapel - 210 Main North Road (entry off Momorangi Crescent)

CARETAKER REQUIRED AT CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL

After almost six years at Christ the King, our caretaker, Mick Sweeney, is retiring. Mick has done a wonderful job of keeping our school and grounds in pristine condition and is always here bright and early to ensure the school is unlocked and our grounds are safe and secure. With Mick departing at Easter, we are now on the search for his replacement.

We are seeking a hardworking individual to join our team as a part-time caretaker. The position involves maintaining the school grounds, buildings, and facilities to ensure they are well presented at all times. The successful applicant will work 5 hours per day, 5 days per week. A police vet check is a statutory requirement. Please contact Jo Mangin at admin@christtheking.school.co.nz for a job description and an application form.



15th - 17th March: RETREAT FOR MEN: Let your soul be shaped by the chisel of St Joseph

The Men of the Diocese and their sons are warmly invited to a very special weekend retreat for Men. Discover the key role of St Joseph in understanding your identity as a man, a father, a husband a brother or friend. Make this feast of St Joseph be an opportunity to place yourself before Jesus and let yourself be transformed in Him. Limited spaces are still available.

This fully catered retreat costs \$60 plus the cost of your room. Rooms from \$55 per night. This retreat is offered by the Community of the Beatitudes. Speakers include Kiwi Duane Stallard, Lay member of the Community visiting from France and Fr Rex Ramos, Parish Priest of Hurunui.

Book your place today. Email retreats@beatitudes.nz or call Thomas on 022 506 2538.

Address: 67 Leithfield Rd, Leithfield.



9 Mar: Sr Akanete Ha'ungatau, Anthony O'Connell.

10 Mar: Sean Hurton, Paul Muir, Maurice Donnelly, Mary Murray, James Purton, Francis (Frank) Doherty.

11 Mar: Brenda McQuinn, Mary Stokes, Madeleine Hishon, Michael Dwyer, Christopher Brady, Fintin Donnelly, Annette Smith, Kenneth Maister.

12 Mar: Margaret Sutherland, Maurice Palmer, Joyce Shanley, Mary Connelly, Richard Rowe, Alwyn Harbott, Margaret Newton.

13 Mar: Valmai Vuleta, Edna Fitzgerald, Terence Heffernan, Timothy Henebery, Thecla Slattery, Noeline O'Rawe, John Darby.

14 Mar: John O'Rourke, Eileen Casey, Teresa Lond, Maryna Yanuar, Victor Selvam, Catherine Kennedy.

15 Mar: Adam Scott, Ronda Neeson, Robin Sutherland, Thomas Brankin.

Please pray for the following intentions

Those who have recently died: Julie McFadzien, Ena Courtney, Theresa Wall, Frances Barltrop, Derek Conway, Veronica Gray, Michael Hughes, Jerry Kuipers, Lesley Walker, Beverley McLorinan, Mary Arcott, Jim Costelloe, Diane Milne, Pamela Arthur, Margaret Frost.

Mass Intentions: Margret Collins (Ann.), Marie Landis nee Sutherland (Ann), Maryrose Paget (Ann.), Patrick Conaghan (Ann.)

Those who are sick: Marie Walker, Judy Gilmore.

If you know someone who needs our prayers please let Melonie know in the parish office.

Please note that names submitted will remain on the list for a month. At the end of this time they will be removed. If you would like them to remain on for longer please let us know.

Please pray for those who need our prayers and those who have nobody for pray for them.