



Catholic Parish of  
Christchurch North

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**NORTH PARISH**

*Weekly*

**SUNDAY 14 FEBRUARY // 6 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B**

## Repent, and believe in the Gospel.

This week we embark on another Lenten season with Ash Wednesday on the 17th of February. After what was a Lent like none other last year, I am a bit apprehensive of what this year might have in store for us!

Personally I know that I tend to enter into this season with a list of things that I *will* achieve. However, with the first signs of struggle, I either give up or complain until Easter. This year I have instead felt the need to keep it simple and try to cooperate and trust in the Lord's grace for this season.

Listed on the next page of our bulletin are all of our Ash Wednesday Masses and Ecumenical services. As Fr Rick mentioned last weekend, may we enter into this season determined to pray, fast, and give to those in need.

Some suggestions of ways that we could do this are;

- Abstaining from meat or some other food or coffee,
- Abstaining from Netflix or limiting time spent on social media,
- Giving of time to people in need. This may be spending time with a friend or other parishioner who is needs someone to talk with, or volunteering with a group,
- Taking on a weekly Holy Hour of Adoration or attending daily Mass during the week,
- Making an extra effort in terms of family prayer such as a time attending Stations of the Cross or praying the Rosary together once a week.

### PARISH CENSUS 2021

This weekend and next weekend across our Mass Centres we will be undergoing our Parish Census. This census is to ensure the accuracy of the information we have in our database. We will be asking all parishioners to complete census forms at Masses over these two weekends. We also would like to encourage people to complete this online if you are able to - [christchurchnorth.org.nz](https://christchurchnorth.org.nz)

### NORTH PARISH YOUTH GROUPS

This Sunday also marks the beginning of Youth Groups for the new year! We will be starting the year off learning about Ash Wednesday and having pancakes to celebrate coming into the Lenten season. Youth Groups are now held at St Bede's College Performing Arts Centre (located behind the Chapel). The times for Youth Group are:

Years 7 & 8: 4 - 6:30pm

Years 9 - 13: 5 - 8pm

Families are welcome to join us for 5pm Mass at the St Bede's Chapel, and our Parents session will be at 6pm.

To celebrate the beginning of our new Parish Youth Groups we are holding a weekend camp for all young people in **Years 7-13 on 12th-14th March at Wainui YMCA Heights**. For more information or to register your children, please either visit our Parish website or contact me.

### PARISH PICNIC

Next weekend (**Sunday 21st February 12pm-3pm**) we are hosting our Parish Picnic at Spencer Park. This event is a chance for all in the parish to come together for an afternoon of fellowship and fun! There will be a bouncy castle, coffee cart, firetruck present along with games and a lolly scramble. Please bring your lunch, picnic blankets and sunscreen and come and join us!

With so many wonderful events happening in our parish, we have included an 'events' page on the parish website. If you would like to know what parish events are happening, check this page out.

<https://christchurchnorth.org.nz/events/>

*Kaelyn Graham*

Youth & Young Adults Coordinator



Next Week's Readings: Genesis 9:8-15 // 1 Peter 3:18-22 // Mark 1:12-15

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**Christ the King** - Ph 358 2708

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**St Joseph's** - Ph 352 8779

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# Lenten Notices

## ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES (17 FEBRUARY)

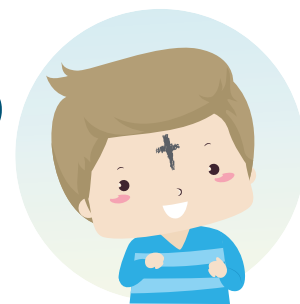
**7am** - Christ the King

**9am** - Christ the King (Christ the King School in attendance)

**9am** - St Albans Catholic School in the chapel

**9.15am** - St Gregory's

**11.30am** - St Matthew's (St Patrick's School Mass)



## ECUMENICAL LITURGY OF THE ASHES

**7pm** - St Matthew's Church with St Barnabas Anglican

**7pm** - Christ the King with St Christopher's Anglican Avonhead and the Baptist community

**7.30pm** - St Silas Anglican Church (237 Main North Rd, Redwood)



## A New Way Forward

Laudato Si', Pope Francis

He Ara Whakamua,  
He Ara Hou

Laudato Si', Pāpā Werahiko

## "A New Way Forward" - Caritas Lenten Reflections

Make Lent a special time with prayer, *lectio divina*, group sharing on the Lenten Sunday Gospels in the context of Pope Francis' Reflections and a Faith in Action case study.

Two sessions to choose from either on Tuesdays (beginning 16 February), **7 - 8.30 pm at St. Gregory's** led by Grant Segar (323 7616 thesegarseslingshot.co.nz) or **9.30 - 11 am at Christ the King** led by Kathleen Rushton RSM (352 7533 kprushton@gmail.com) For details and other possibilities see sign-up sheet in the foyers of the Churches.



## SHROVE TUESDAY - JOIN US FOR PANCAKES!

Join us for pancakes after the 9.15am Mass on Tuesday 16th February in the St Gregory's Meeting room.

RSVP helpful for catering purposes, contact Lauren 027 424 6045 worship@christchurchnorth.org.nz

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesdays in Lent, **7pm - St Matthew's Church** (Begins Wednesday 24th Feb)

Fridays in Lent, **7pm - Christ the King Church** (Begins Friday 26th Feb)

## CHURCH? PARISH COMMUNITY CENTRE? BELONGING? SPIRITUALITY?

### What do they mean to you?

Come and share your thoughts and ideas on these things as we continue consulting the wider parish on what the new Church and Pastoral Centre would look like.

**Tuesday 16 Feb - Christ the King Centre, 7 pm**

**Thursday 18 Feb - Christ the King Centre, 10 am**

**Tuesday 23 Feb - Christ the King Centre, 7 pm**

**Wednesday 24 Feb - St Joseph's Centre, 7 pm**

**Sunday 28 Feb - St Matthew's Hall, 1 pm**

We would love to hear your voice! so please come along.

Please let Melonie know if you would like to come along to any of these sessions on 359 1438 or visit <https://christchurchnorth.org.nz/events/>

**Our vision for the Catholic North Parish 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.**

### **NORTH PARISH PICNIC**

Sunday 21 February // Spencer Park // Noon - 3pm

Bring your picnic baskets, picnic blankets, sunhat and sunscreen for an afternoon of fellowship and fun as a parish family.

There'll be a bouncy castle, coffee cart, firetruck present along with games and a lolly scramble.



### **PRAYER MINISTRY THIS WEEKEND**

Prayer Ministry will be offered at the end of Masses at St Matthew's Church this weekend

### **PRAYER & REFLECTION GROUP**

Meets every Wednesday morning after Mass at St Gregory's. All welcome.

For more information, phone Janette 352 5778

### **Is there more to life than this? Am I created for more? What is my purpose?**

Alpha is a place where you can ask, and explore, these questions with others who are seeking the answers to these big questions in the christian tradition. The parish will commence our first Alpha Programme for the year

**Save the dates - 15th April - 1st July** (More information coming soon.)

Contact Brendan Woodnutt - [evangelisation@christchurchnorth.org.nz](mailto:evangelisation@christchurchnorth.org.nz)



### **Prodigal Prayer Group**

**Wednesday 24th February, 7 - 8pm**

**St Gregory's Church**

The parish is going to provide a setting where we can come together and pray for those who are not practicing their faith. The group will give a chance to pray for those who are struggling with concerns for their children, grandchildren and close friends.

### **North Parish Youth Camp - 'Community'**

**12 - 14 March, YMCA Wainui Park Camp**

All young people in Years 7 - 13 are invited to be a part of our **first ever Parish Youth Camp!**

Check out the Youth Camp section on the Parish Website for more information, or to register.

*If costs are in issue, please contact Kaelyn Graham.*

### **CONFIRMATION 2021**

The Sacrament of Confirmation 2021 is for Year 8 Students and above. Enrolments are now open until Friday 5th March.

The first parent meeting of introduction and Mass will be held on 16 March.

Confirmation Mass will be held on Pentecost Sunday 23 May.

**Visit <https://christchurchnorth.org.nz/confirmation> for more information and to register your child for Confirmation.**



### **Can you play a musical instrument?**

We are after more musicians to help with our Youth Led Masses. If you can play guitar, bass, drums, sing or play any other instruments, we'd love to have you part of the **Illuminate Music Ministry Team** (the North Parish Youth Music Team).

Please contact Jean-Luc at [illuminatemusministry@gmail.com](mailto:illuminatemusministry@gmail.com)



### **Healing Service with Fr John Rea**

19th February 7.30pm

St Matthew's Church

108 Jeffery's Rd Bryndwr

### **PREFERENCE TO ATTEND A CATHOLIC PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL**

**We have developed a new process for the issuing of preference certificates for those families who wish to send their children to a Catholic school. If you require a preference for your child please make contact with the Parish Office on 359-1438**

**Please send all Bulletin and Noticeboard Notices to [bulletin@christchurchnorth.org.nz](mailto:bulletin@christchurchnorth.org.nz)**

**Deadline - 9am Thursday Morning and are at the discretion of the Priests and Administration Team.**



**CATHOLIC PARISH of  
CHRISTCHURCH NORTH  
MASS TIMES:**

**Vigil Masses (Saturday)**

5 pm – St Matthew's Church  
6 pm – Christ the King Church  
6 pm – St Gregory's Church

**Sunday Masses**

8:30 am – St Gregory's  
9 am – Christ the King  
9:30 am – St Matthew's  
10 am – St Gregory's  
11 am – Christ the King  
5 pm – St Bede's Chapel

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

**Monday**

7 am & 9 am – Christ the King

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7 am & 9 am – Christ the King  
9:15 am – St Gregory's

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7 am & 9 am – Christ the King  
9:15 am – St Gregory's

**Thursday**

7 am & 9 am – Christ the King  
Noon – St Gregory's

**Friday**

7 am & 9 am – Christ the King  
9 am – St Alban's Catholic  
School (during school terms)  
9:15 am – St Joseph's Centre

**Saturday**

9 am – Christ the King  
9:15 am – St. Gregory's

**RECONCILIATION TIMES**

**Saturdays**

Christ the King  
9:30 – 10:30 am

St Gregory's  
9:45 – 10:45 am

St Matthew's  
4:15 – 4:45 pm

St Gregory's  
5:15 – 5:45 pm

[ or by appointment ]

**ADORATION**

Christ the King, Mon – Fri  
7:30 – 8:45 am

St Gregory's Perpetual  
Adoration Chapel

**TO REQUEST A PRAYER**

**TEXT**  
**021 413 659**



*Book of Memories*

**14 February:** John Kelly, Helen Wilson, Madge Bower, Barbara McCormick, Mary Devonport, Dwight Knight, Elizabeth Kearney, Bernice Schabb, Fr Anthony Ford.

**15 February:** Stan Barnett, Thomas McIntrye, Valerie Fahey, Leonard Sharp, Maria Empson, Ann Benger, Neil Williamson, David Edmonds, Amy Fitzgibbon, Frank Kazukaitis, Jacqueline Walkey, Kelvin Smith, Sheila Schimanski, Molly Goosens.

**16 February:** Brita Moudant, Thomas Lee, Robert Hayward, Josephine Whelan, Raymond Musson, Bede Haughey, Rona Polascchek.

**17 February:** Ian Andrews, Aaron Wylie, Mary Hewson, Patrick Hodgins, Nancy Nevin, Wilhelmus van Berken.

**18 February:** Patrick Molloy, Thomas Anderson, Kathleen Fraser, Margaret Austen.

**19 February:** Deirdre Bennis, Mary Porter, Harvey Heatley, Reginald Hooker, Antonia Van Berkel, Julian Loughnan, John Ridden, Margaret Rea.

**20 February:** Alma Wills, Harry McKeivith, William Smith.



**Those who have died:**

Shona Carey, Denis Mullany, Johanna Van Zuylen, Violeta Campilan Greig, Gerard Stokes, Margaret Dobbs, Gertrude (May) Harris, Jan Culhane, Joan Hanrahan, Margaret Clifford, Ann Falloon, Julie Herron, Margaret Shannon.

**Special Intentions:**

Margaret Collins (RIP Ann), Father Anthony Ford (Ann),

**Those who are sick:**

Susan Steele, Barbara Rowe, Monsignor Bill Middleton, Colleen McCammon, Mary Fitzgerald, Noel Mullis, Fr Frank Kelly, Fr Benito Velasco, Margaret Aynsley, Ron & Betty Burt, John Frame, Trevor Roswell, Russell Williamson, Philip Baird, Paul Tan, Steve Watson.

**MASS INTENTIONS REQUESTS AND ENVELOPES**

Mass intentions envelopes are available in all of our church foyers. Mass intention envelopes can be left at the Parish Office. If no one is in the office, please drop your envelope in the mail drop box located at St. Gregory's Church.



**The priests are available for emergencies by phoning the  
presbytery directly on (03) 359 0444**