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NORTH PARISH

Weekly

SUNDAY 28 FEBRUARY // 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B



How Do I Hear God?

In today's Gospel of the transfiguration, God's voice from heaven says "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Which sparks the question "How do I hear and listen to God?"

My experience is that God never fails to speak with me - but sometimes I am not always in tune to notice God.

On my spiritual journey I appreciate the accompaniment of a spiritual director who helps me pay attention to how God is communicating with me, for example, through my prayer, reflecting on Scripture, reading spiritual books, in nature, in the conversations with others and in silence and solitude. Spiritual direction is a bit like spiritually panning for gold, swishing around the events of our day and noticing the shiny gold nuggets that appear and reflecting on these deeply.

Most of us have a desire for a deeper prayer life with God. I am touched by the quote that "Most things you really want but don't have - is outside your comfort zone" (John C. Maxwell). I encourage you to step out of your comfort zone and try something new and consider spiritual direction.

I am part of a group of trained spiritual directors for the diocese who are available to accompany you and feel it a great privilege to be walking with people on the holy ground of their spiritual life where God can work through this ministry.

See a list of Spiritual Directors at <https://chchcatholic.nz/pastoral/spiritual-direction/>

You may find a leaflet explaining Spiritual Direction/Spiritual Companionship in your church foyer.

Spiritual Direction is for everyone. Don't wait to be perfect to answer God's call - He is just bursting for you to grow in a deeper relationship with Him.

Lauren Butler
Worship Coordinator



PARISH PICNIC

Thank you to all who attended our first North Parish Picnic!

It was a great day and was great to see many families there. The highlight of the day was the lolly scramble that took place from the top of the rural firetruck!

Next Week's Readings: Ex 20:1-17 // 1 Cor 1:22-25 // Jn 2:13-25

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HOLY WEEK & EASTER MASS TIMES

Monday 29 March

Chrim Mass, 7:30 pm - St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral



Holy Thursday - Thursday 1 April

Reconciliation, 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Christ the King Church

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7 pm - St. Matthew's Church

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7 pm - Christ the King Church

Good Friday - Friday 2 April

Stations of the Cross, 10 am - Christ the King Church

Stations of the Cross, 10 am - St Gregory's Church (Led by the Marralomed Community)

Celebration of the Passion, 3 pm - St Matthew's Church (Reconciliation afterwards)

Celebration of the Passion, 3 pm - Christ the King Church (Reconciliation afterwards)

Celebration of the Passion, 3 pm - St Gregory's Church (Reconciliation afterwards)

Holy Saturday - Saturday 3 April

Reconciliation, 9:30 am - Christ the King Church

Reconciliation, 9:30 am - St Gregory's Church

Easter Vigil Mass, 8 pm - Christ the King Church (OCIA Candidates receiving Sacraments)

Easter Vigil Mass, 9 pm - St. Gregory's Church

Easter Sunday - Sunday 4 April

8:30 am & 10 am - St. Gregory's Church

9 am & 11 am - Christ the King Church

9:30 am - St. Matthew's Church



Please Note - there is no 5 pm Mass at St. Bede's Chapel on Easter Sunday



PROPOSED MASS TIMES FEEDBACK

As Fr Rick mentioned last week, we are looking at changing a couple of the current Mass times due to the closing of St Matthew's Church on the **Second Sunday of Easter**.

Please send us your feedback regarding this issue - the proposed Sunday Mass times are below.

Saturday Vigil

Christ the King - **5pm** (change from 6pm)

St Gregory's - 6pm

Sunday Masses

St Gregory's - **8am** (change from 8:30am)

Christ the King - 9am

St Gregory's - 10am

Christ the King - 11am

St Bede's College Chapel - 5pm

With these proposed changes, which Mass would you attend? _____

Comments:

Please cut out and drop in parish drop box at St. Gregory's or email comments to northparishcomments@gmail.com

**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.**



FABULOUS FAMILY FUN
ST ALBANS CATHOLIC SCHOOL
GALA
SUNDAY 14th MARCH 2021
11am - 3pm
49 RUTLAND STREET

☆ **FOOD** ☆ **CAKES AND BAKING** ☆
☆ **LIVE MUSIC** ☆ **PRELOVED CLOTHING** ☆
☆ **CHOCOLATE WHEEL** ☆
☆ **SILENT AUCTION** ☆ **GAMES** ☆

AMAZING LIVE AUCTION 1PM
INCLUDING HELICOPTER
FLIGHTS & GETAWAY PACKAGES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesdays in Lent, **7pm - St Matthew's Church**

Fridays in Lent, **7pm - Christ the King Church**

'A NEW WAY FORWARD' - CARITAS LENTEN REFLECTIONS

As a group or family or individually, 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. Copies of booklet available in church foyer. For further information:

Kathleen Rushton RSM (352 7533 or kprushton@gmail.com).

STATIONS AND YOUNG ADULTS GET TOGETHER

All Young Adults aged 18-35 are welcome to join us Wednesday 3 March. We will be attending Stations of the Cross at St Matthew's Church 7pm and heading to Elmwood Trading Co. afterwards. Email Kaelyn for more information at youth@christchurchnorth.org.nz

POT LUCK LUNCH

Thursday 4 March after midday Mass at St Gregory's.

All welcome. Drop food into Kitchen before Mass.

Contact Linlee 0211576252.

PRAYER MINISTRY THIS WEEKEND

Prayer Ministry will be offered at the end of Mass at St Bede's College Chapel this weekend

ALMS GIVING DURING LENT

Parishioners are reminded to use the brown Lenten envelopes that were included in their planned giving packs.

All monies received are forwarded to Caritas each week.

If you are not on our planned gifting programme - individual packs are available in the foyer of each church.

You may also opt to donate online - please use your surname, name and LENT as references.

CONFIRMATION 2021

Enrolments close this coming Friday 5 March.
Visit <https://christchurchnorth.org.nz/confirmation>

SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP 1

Tuesday, 16 March @ 7pm (1 hour)

Christ the King Pastoral Centre

This is aimed at all new volunteers/ministers or people who have not yet attended a Safeguard Workshop but are already in a ministry.

Attending safeguarding workshops is mandatory for all those who work in our parishes as a minister or volunteer.

Any queries please phone Melonie in the parish office 359-1438

HOSPITALITY AFTER 5pm MASS

Next Sunday 7 March after the 5pm Mass at St Bede's Parishioners are invited to come to the Performing Arts Centre for a cuppa. This will be served by members of the Youth Group for a time of service during the season of Lent.

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*

FR JOHN REA HEALING MEETING

Thank you to all who attended the Healing Meeting last Friday night. We appreciate feedback about how the meeting was for you. If you were blessed with a healing, we would love to hear from you, giving what the condition was, a background to the condition and what actual healing occurred.

Please email me at evangelisation@christchurchnorth.org.nz
Brendan Woodnutt, Evangelisation Coordinator

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FRIDAY 5 MARCH All welcome

St Silas Anglican Church - 10am

Corner Main North and Tuckers Road

St Ninian's Presbyterian Church - 10am

9 Puriri St, Riccarton

St Christopher's Anglican Church - 7pm

244 Avonhead Rd, Avonhead

FIRST FRIDAY CHARISMATIC MASS

You are warmly invited to the Charismatic Mass Friday 5 March, 7-30pm at Christ the King, Greers Rd, Burnside. There will be Praise & Worship led by Jesus Youth and Fr. Rick Loughnan is celebrant.

Prayer ministry and supper follows; please bring a plate.

For any enquires contact Maureen: 0275688338

ST JOSEPH'S INDOOR BOWLING CLUB

Opening night Tuesday 2 March at 7.15pm

New members welcome. For any enquiries please phone Valma Maunsell 354 0060 or Brian Breen 359 3374

DOVE CHANGE OF VENUE Monday, 8 March

St. Patrick's Church, 61 Fuller St, Kaiapoi. 7.30-9.00pm.

Refreshments at 7pm.

For further information contact Ann Martin 0211113963

Please send all Bulletin and Noticeboard Notices to 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

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

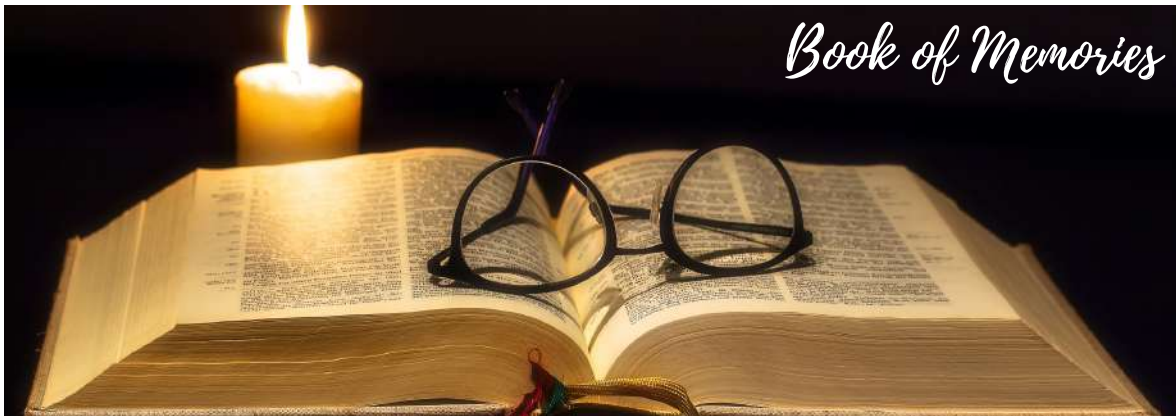
St Gregory's Perpetual
Adoration Chapel

TO REQUEST A PRAYER

**TEXT
021 413 659**

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



29 February: Walter Boyer, Verona Arscott, Jennifer Anderson.

1 March: Annie Kelly, Benjamin Simmons, Mary Taylor, Edward Mulvihill, Caecilia Van Irsel, Jeanette York.

2 March: Ella Percy, Charles Fraser, Arthur Callaghan, Justin Canning, John Weir, Kevin Cunniffe, Alexander Burke, Edith Quinn, Verica Hanlan, Ian Anderson.

3 March: Archibald McLaren, Mary McAnulty, Marie Landis, Michael Lyons, Patricia Roche, Neville Lewis, Wilhelmus Van Pelt, Maria Molloy, Maurice Trengrove.

4 March: Jim Gill, Brendan Hickey, Beatrice Bunz, Jessie Herbert, Charles O'Brien, Lois Bird, Felix McCarthy, Nancy Williams, Leslie Lake, Peter Connelly, Mary Samson, James Barnett, Antonius Borkus.

5 March: Jack Kemp, Helena Stickleman, Richard King, Mary Shatford, Joan Prisk, Freda Twomey, Richard Lattene, John O'Brien, Micelsia Davila, Patricia Findlay, Catherine Anderson, Margaret Bowring, Monica Kearns.

6 March: Terence Sullivan, Kevin Hanrahan, Jim Heffernan, Frank Dolan,

7 March: Antonius Hoogveld, John Manning, Aileen McBryde, Mary Galloway, Patrick Keenan, Sheila Cowan.



Those who have recently died:

Shona Carey, Denis Mullany, Ronald (Ron) Burt, Peter Ward, Thomas Cochrane Snr, Susan Steele, Barbara Rowe, Loreto Creagn.

Special Intentions:

Margaret Collins (Ann.), Kevin Barry (Ann.), Fr Gerard Kane (Ann.), Paul Joseph Castelo Tan (Recent RIP), Molly Familton (Ann.), John Howard (Ann)

Those who are sick:

Monsignor Bill Middleton, Colleen McCammon, Mary Fitzgerald, Noel Mullis, Fr Frank Kelly, Fr Benito Velasco, Fr Bob Wilson, Margaret Aynsley, Betty Burt, John Frame, Trevor Roswell, Russell Williamson, Philip Baird, Steve Watson, Ann Ryan.



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