



Catholic Parish of
Christchurch North

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NORTH PARISH

Weekly

SUNDAY 7 MARCH // 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

Walking with Families

Pope Francis emphasises the importance of prayer, affection, forgiveness, tenderness, and adherence to the will of God within the family.

"In this way," he said, "the family opens itself to the joy that God gives to all those who know how to give joyfully."

Mike and Alicia Herson's podcast called 'Messy Families' sends a message to parents to 'stop worrying about getting your kids to heaven - parenting is about helping YOU get there'.

Mike and Alicia explain that the reason motherhood or fatherhood is a vocation, is not to make our kids into saints; it's about making parents into saints. Said differently; raising is a lifelong lesson in our journey of holiness. Motherhood and fatherhood form us as parents, and we in turn form our children. What God is trying to teach us through the challenge of parenting is to love like Him - As God the Father - and raising children teaches that. God works on us through the difficulties of raising children.

When our kids push us to the limits of our patience, when they demand more than we are prepared to give in time and attention, when they challenge our rules or rebel against our values - they are blessing us with a lesson in what real, unconditional love means. In doing so, they provide us with some small human insight into God's immense love for us. As children of God, we do not always get it right, but we are always SO LOVED!

As we merge as a parish, we encourage you to explore your own faith journey. We are all called to be children of God and the invitation is there for the taking.

We welcome all families to the Catholic Parish of Christchurch North. Families are important!

God has called us all into a new family. The Church.

This is our 'first family', the place where we find other brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts, dads, mums, and grandparents, and where together we seek to nurture and support the children in our midst.

Our vision for you is to be part of our missionary parish bringing people to come to know Jesus Christ personally.

How can you grow as a disciple of Christ and how can you be that example to your family?



Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

Mark 12:30



Schools Coordinators

Megan Stewart & Monique Kearns

The priests are away for Professional Development from Tuesday afternoon to Thursday afternoon. If you are in need of a priest, please contact the parish office ph 359 1438 during office hours 9am - 2pm after hours please phone Father Dan Doyle on 027 439 1847

Next Week's Readings: 2 Chr 36:14-16 ,19-23 // Eph 2:4-10 // Jn 3:14-21

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Principal - Abraham Atherton

St Joseph's - Ph 352 8779

Principal - Aaron Richards

St Patrick's - Ph 351 5590

Principal - Tom Wallis

BUILDING COMMITTEE

buildingchair@christchurchnorth.org.nz

Parish Notices

Please note that there are NO MASSES in the parish on Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 March - instead there will be Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.

Wednesday 10 March

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

Thursday 11 March

9am - Christ the King Church & 12 Noon - St. Gregory's Church

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

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

Anointing Masses

- 17 & 18 March 11am

Christ the King, Burnside

Followed by light lunch provided.

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

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT

To enable the three former parish bank accounts to close we need to ensure that all APs for gifting donations goes to the new parish account number.

Catholic Parish of Christchurch North 03 1592 0207367 20 - using your surname and christian name as references.

All diocesan fees charged to school parents go to the specific bank account number on the invoice. Thank you in advance for checking your details.

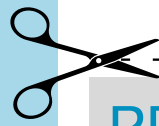
THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE SUBMITTED FEEDBACK REGARDING THE PROPOSED MASS TIMES AFTER ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH IS CLOSED.

One of the questions raised is why the proposed change from **8:30am to 8am** at St Gregory's Church on Sunday morning?

One of the reasons was an earlier Mass would help with our shift workers.

PLEASE NOTE - FEEDBACK FOR THIS CLOSSES ON FRIDAY, 12 MARCH.

The Leadership team will look at all the feedback and discuss this proposal once all feedback is received.



PROPOSED MASS TIMES FEEDBACK

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**

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

VOLUNTEERS FOR CATHOLIC BOOKSHOP

Due to parishioners generous donations, the second-hand Catholic bookshop at Christ the King is due to open on Saturday 20 March. We have close to 1,000 books in stock which will be made available for affordable prices. One thing we still need however is volunteers to attend the shop for 3 hours once a week or once a fortnight to help people purchase the books. If you are interested in doing this, please

contact Dan Martin on 022 1751 789 or dan_martin74@yahoo.co.nz

SHINE TV MASS RETURNS THIS SUNDAY

Sunday 7 March.

Shine TV will broadcast Mass at 2pm on free-to-air TV Channel 25 and Sky Channel 201.

This Sunday, Monsignor David Tonks will lead us in prayer from St Joseph Church, Takapuna.

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.

GOLDEN CATHOLICS

You are invited to attend the first Golden Catholics Mass, presentation and luncheon for 2021.

Presentation by Mike Nolan from the Catholic Education Office and Liza Sparrow and Melanie Perry from the Catholic Development Fund.

11.30am on Wednesday 24 March

St Bede's College Chapel, 210 Main North Road, Papanui

RSVP: For catering purposes please reserve your space via Donna Malone on 03 352 5810 rf-dmaloneextra.co.nz or the Diocesan Office on 03 366 9869 JClarke@cdoc.nz

MARIAN GROUP

The Marian Group will meet this Tuesday 9 March, after the 9.15am Mass at the back of the church. There will be Stations of the Cross before the short meeting. New members are most welcome to join this friendly group in prayer and helping in the parish. Any enquiries contact Therese on 741 1306.

JOSHUA MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

WEDNESDAY 10 MARCH

7.15pm at Christ the King Centre, Burnside.

Join like-minded catholic men as we find out more about ourselves and Simon of Cyrene.

For more information, phone Chris on 027-646-4138.

CHRISTCHURCH NORTH SENIORS' BUS TRIP.

Tuesday 16 March, leaving at 11 am

Lunch in Oxford.

Return via the Waimak Gorge approx 3pm.

The bus is funded. Please put names on the form in the church foyer.

Numbers needed by Sunday 14 March.

Husbands welcome.

Enquiries ring Marie 352 2707 or Sister Marietta 354 4945



LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

11am CHRIST THE KING

BEGINS 14 MARCH - Covid Alert Level 1 Permitting

Liturgy of the Word with Children (LWC) caters for children from 4 years through to those who have not yet received their First Holy Communion. The session is for around 20 minutes. Come along and see if your child will enjoy it.

Children who are under 4 or require closer supervision, please be accompanied by a parent.

We need assistant leaders to help support these sessions.

So if your child attends LWC, are you available to be rostered as an assistant to sit in on the session? Contact Lauren on 027 424 6045 worship@christchurchnorth.org.nz

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



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

8 March: Deborah Ritchie, Anne Purcell, Roger O'Hare, Maurice Fraser, Kathleen Russell, Alan Newton, Trevor Smith.

9 March: Anthony O'Connell, Mary Gurnow, Jonathon Stevens, Mary Brownlee, Catherine Dwier, James Galvin, Ellen O'Brien.

10 March: Maurice Donnelly, Nancy Burdon, Sean Hurton, Julia Wiles, Jack Williamson, Anthony Brown, Paul Muir, Thomas O'Brien, Henk Hendriks, Mary Murray.

11 March: Madeline Hishon, Daniel Davey, Kenneth Maister, Elza Morrison, Christopher Brady, Michael Dwyer, Mary Stokes, Cyril Tansey, Gladys Smith, Tom Woodford, Brenda Quinn, Mary Keane, Brianna Aulavemai, Mary Donohue, Fintan Donnelly, Annette Smith.

12 March: Philip Brennan, Jim Olin, Maurice Palmer, Alwyn Harbutt, Margaret Sutherland, Mary Henderson, Joyce Shanley, Richard Rowe, Ceclia Linklater, Dorothy Agnus, Mary Connelly.

13 March: Harry McNeice, Karen Lewis, Matthew Rhoads, Thecla Slattery, Noeline O'Rawe, Valmai Vuleta, Edna Fitzgerald, Terrance Heffernan, Eileen Chappell, Timothy Heneberry, Louisa Bergin, Max Smith.



Those who have recently died:

Shona Carey, Denis Mullany, Ronald (Ron) Burt, Peter Ward, Thomas Cochrane Snr, Susan Steele, Barbara Rowe, Loreto Creagh, Katherine Bowers, James McKeefrey, Ian Batchelor.

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**