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NORTH PARISH

Weekly

SUNDAY 13 JUNE // 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Let's keep sowing the seeds of faith!

After celebrating so many important feast days, we find ourselves back in the liturgical season of **Ordinary Time**. Ordinary, in this context, comes from the Latin term *ordinalis*, meaning 'numbered' or 'ruled'. This title simply refers to the ongoing and rhythmical nature of the season. Just like everyday life, there is a rhythm to the days and the weeks. Sure, we have holidays and special occasions that we look forward to that change the pace, just like we have holy days and feasts in the Church year. But those special occasions aren't the whole picture, just like there is more to the life of Christ than what we celebrate in other liturgical seasons.

When we think of liturgical seasons we typically think of the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter. These seasons celebrate what could be thought of as "The Main Event." Namely, the incarnation, birth, passion, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus. The 33 (or 34 depending on how the feasts fall) weeks of Ordinary Time contain the rest of Jesus' earthly ministry and some of the major events of the Gospels we have come to know and love.

This weekend's Gospel displays this with the well known parable of the **mustard seed**. When tasked with explaining the kingdom of heaven to the crowds Jesus states: "*To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade.*" - Mark 4: 30 - 32.

From this parable we are reassured that even **the smallest act of faith can help us grow** in our relationship with Jesus.

During my time in youth ministry this is something that I have witnessed time and time again. In 2017 I served with NET (National Evangelisation Teams) Ministries Australia in the Catholic Parish of Bundaberg. One young person from the parish youth group mainly attended because his parents had told him he had to. He wasn't really interested in anything other than distracting the other young people. However, over the year I saw a change in him! Slowly he actually began to participate in youth group and the conversations about faith. It wasn't a huge change overnight, but a year later I saw that after finishing school he decided to join NET Ministries himself as a missionary, serving the young people of Australia. When I spoke to him to tell him I was praying for him, he thanked me for sowing the seed of faith in his life.

This is why I believe it is important to keep **sowing the seeds of faith in our young people**, as you never know how even a small conversation could encourage them in their journey!

Next weekend our youth ministry are holding another fundraiser, a bake sale at the end of Masses. If you are able to donate some baked goods which we can sell, please get in touch with me. If you are able to support the youth ministry by buying some baked goods, this would be greatly appreciated!

Kaelyn Graham

Youth & Young Adults Coordinator



Next Week's Readings: Job 38:1, 8-11 / 2 Cor 5:14-17 / Mk 4:35-41

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NOVENA TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



Did you know that St John the Baptist is the Patron Saint of the Christchurch Diocese?

We would like to invite the **whole** parish community to join in a novena to St John the Baptist for the intention of **a new Bishop** for our Diocese. We encourage you to pray this novena as a family, class, group, or incorporate it into your own personal prayer.

The Novena **begins on Tuesday 15 June**, and **ends on June 24th** June (St John the Baptist's Feast Day).

Our Masses for St. John the Baptist are the usual Mass times for Thursday.

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

COPIES OF THE NOVENA ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH FOYERS AND ONLINE

<https://novenaprayer.com/novena-to-st-john-the-baptist/>



Professor John Simpson speaking at the Closing Mass of St. Matthew's Church 2021

Congratulations to Professor Harold John (John) Simpson who was named on the Queen's Birthday Honours List. Professor John (who provided art and architecture advice to a number of Bishops of Christchurch) has been named an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit (ONZM) for services to art education.

God bless you always!

<https://dpmc.govt.nz/honours/lists/qb2021-onzm#simpsonha>

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2021

Enrolments for our parish's First Holy Communion Programme are now **closed**.

Thank you to all our parents who have registered their children in this incredible journey where they will receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion for the first time. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin this journey!

Any queries, please contact Irene Maguire on discipleship@christchurchnorth.org.nz or call her via the Parish Office on (03) 359 1438

THE SIGN OF MY LOVE - A Marriage Enrichment Afternoon

Sunday 4 July 2021 at Christ the King

Led by Fr Rick Loughnan

11am: Mass

Noon: Shared potluck lunch

1 - 3pm: Marriage enrichment session

For all couples who are seeking to reaffirm their love to each other.

Contact Irene Maguire to enrol on discipleship@christchurchnorth.org.nz



This weekend we welcome students from Marian & Villa Maria Colleges who are journeying through the sacramental programme. They will be at the Christ the King 9am Mass, and the 5pm Mass at St. Bede's. We also welcome the young people from the Catholic Parish of Christchurch South to our 5pm youth led Mass at St Bede's. Please keep these young people in your prayers!

PREFERENCE TO ATTEND A CATHOLIC PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Preferences are signed on the **first, second** and **third Friday** of each month.

If you require a preference for your primary school child, please make contact with the Parish Office before attending one of these three signing sessions on 359 1438

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.

**DO YOU WANT TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?
IS THERE SOMEONE YOU KNOW WHO IS INTERESTED?**

The OCIA (formerly RCIA) journey begins this **Sunday 13 June, 11:30am at St Gregory's Church.**
(After the 10am Mass).

Please contact Dan Martin 022 1751 789 or
Brendan Woodnutt 0274 806 960

PIZZA & FAMILY FILM EVENING

Sunday 20 June, 4:30pm // Christ the King Pastoral Centre

Our Passionist Family Group are hosting a 'Pizza & Family Film Evening' to which all parishioners are invited!

There is a nominal charge of \$7 per adult for the pizza, please bring your own drinks.

For more information, contact Keith Lewis on 021 140 6224

DOVE Meeting : 'Food for our Faith'

Saturday 12 June at Christ The King,
Burnside from 1 - 3 pm.

Our speaker is Fr John O'Connor who writes an online mission 'Food for Faith' which reaches several thousand people across the globe, especially during Advent and Lent.

All women are warmly welcome.

Contact Ann Martin 021 111 3963

PARISH FRIENDSHIP AND DINING OUT GROUP

We will meet at Christ the King church on Thursday 24 June at 11.30am. We will share cars to go to a local venue this side of the city for lunch.

Please RSVP to Michele Ward 3584 304 by Tuesday 22 June.
Bring along your friends and join us.



HALF FINISHED

Have you any projects half finished?
Come along and be inspired to finish them.

Where: Christ the King Centre

When: Wednesday 16 June 10am - 12 Noon
For enquiries phone Janet 021 209 1310

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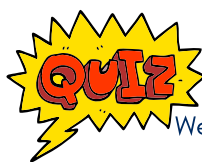
The Leadership Team are wanting to invest in a Parish subscription to FORMED that will allow **anyone** in the parish access to this content. The yearly cost for a subscription is \$2,766.78. **The Leadership Team are seeking generous donors who would like to contribute towards this cost.**

Please check out the link below to find out more about FORMED
<https://youtu.be/nkbOLjSdzw>

Please contact Fr Alister if you are able to contribute towards this amazing resource.



If you are able to donate some baked goods which we can sell, please get in touch with Kaelyn - 027 752 7789



North & South Youth Group Quiz Night!

**This Sunday 13 June / St Bede's College
5 - 8pm (starting with our Youth Led Mass)**

We've teamed up with Catholic South Youth Group for a combined youth group quiz night
Anyone in Year 7 - 13 are welcome!

**CATHOLIC YOUTH TEAM: ANTIOCH CAMP 2021
Years 10 - 13 / Woodend Christian Camp**

Antioch empowers taiohi/young people to recognize the incredible person God has created them to be. Led by the Youth Team, it is an opportunity for young people to learn about their faith, experience the love of God, and connect with young people from other parishes throughout Aotearoa.

<http://www.cyt.org.nz/what-we-offer/events/antioch/>
to register and for more information

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE CHRISTCHURCH NORTH
BRANCH**

Next meeting on Thursday 17 June
at 1.30 pm in St Joseph's centre.

George Varghese will tell us about the work of St Vincent de Paul. There will be a raffle and sales table. All welcome.

ROSARY CRUSADE FOR MEN

You are most welcome to join with other catholic men at St Gregory's church every Wednesday from 2pm

**SACRED HEART COLLEGE ASHBURTON
BOOK OF MEMORIES**

The Book of Memories will be launched at a reunion in Ashburton
22 - 24 October 2021.

The book is included in registration for those attending.
Others interested in early education with the Sisters of the Lady of the Missions are welcome to pre-pay orders for this book (\$20 +p&p) from Jan McAllister phone 03 3085748 or Kath Bryant ph 03 307 1127 until 30 June.

After that the book will be \$25 + p&p

Visit <https://chhcatholic.nz/events/> or more Diocesan Events

Please send all bulletin and noticeboard posters 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 – Christ the King Church
6 pm – St Gregory's Church

Sunday Masses
8:30 am – St Gregory's
9 am – Christ the King
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
**no 7am Mass on public holidays*

Tuesday
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 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
24 hours a day, 7 days a
week

**TO REQUEST A PRAYER
TEXT**
021 413 659



Book of Memories

- 13 June:** Martha Holtum, James Barkley, Nafetaiai (Mike) Hau, Mary Williams, Margaret Archibald, Mary Butts, Richard Sullivan, Sally St John, Kathleen Croft, Robert Moriarty, Mariette Van Tulder.
- 14 June:** Betty Shepherd, Peggy Monopoli, Coral Webster, Irene Lombard, Eileen Tully, Mary Mullins, Whitman Porter, Margaret Gibson, Marguerite Bent, Agnes Bentley.
- 15 June:** James McIntyre, John Roche, Anna Lynch, Cyril Donoghue, Janet Beard.
- 16 June:** Mary Boucher, Helen McMaster, Ronald Mooney, Cornelis Klomp, Robert Cotcher, Maxine Kazukaitis, Noeline Butler, Jules Mentink, Bernard Preston, Chaeirhona, Judith Parsons, Ivan Wilby, Margaret Macdonald.
- 17 June:** John Godinet, Charles Obery, Iris Morgan, Harry Dilger, Gerald Hobby, Margaret Fahey, Theresa Smith, John Batten, Leslie Cotter, William Smith, William Whitham, Bonnie Alexander.
- 18 June:** Gladys Dench, John Roche, Eileen Denton, Edward Moolenaar, William Hortop, Kevin Smith, Mavis Gormack, Thomas Cannon, Kevin Cunneen.
- 19 June:** Lynn Riley, Mary Bellam, Basil Simmons, Clarence Rhodes, Catherine Simmonds, Winnie Smith, James Crawford, Katherine Henderson, Kenneth Bayne, Edward Newman, Michael Doonerwind.



Those who have recently died:
Leo Murphy, Terry Crean, Betty Leggat, Ann Ryan, Bernard O'Neill, William (Bill) Fay, Margaret Cane (née Gorman), Denis Perham, Catherine Power (née Stuart), George Gaspar, Michael Dwyer, Lenoree Timlin, Lena Mechtilda Jansen, Mervyn Stonyer, Debbie Gilbert, John (Jerry) De Silva.

Mass Intentions:
Margaret Collins (Ann), Barry Duggan (RIP Ann.), Maureen, Cecil, & Mary McEvedy (RIP), Valma Tippen (RIP Ann), George V. (Birthday).

Those who are sick:
Monsignor Bill Middleton, Colleen McCammon, Mary Fitzgerald, Noel Mullis, Fr Frank Kelly, Fr Bob Wilson, Margaret Aynsley, Betty Burt, John Frame, Trevor Roswell, Philip Baird, Mary de Leijer, Neill Williamson, Kath Carrington, Tanya Boers, Jean McHugh, Michael Hughes, Mary Arcscott.

Please keep in your prayers all those who have no one to pray for them.

Last chance to get tickets to the Catholic Business Network with guest speaker Sir Bill English.
With only 10 tickets remaining, be sure to secure your place.
Event details: Catholic Business Network Luncheon
Thursday 17 June, 12.00pm – 2.00pm
Limes Room, Christchurch Town Hall



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

Please Note:
The Parish Office hours are
Mon - Fri, 9 - 2pm