

NORTH PARISH

Weekly

SUNDAY 4 JULY // 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Faith in Action is Love - and Love in Action is Service

On finding out that a school friend had been diagnosed with cancer, a group of friends developed an online chat feed, organising food parcels and baking for her family while she was to recover. Coming into the group chat a day late, it was pleasing to see that it was inundated with messages of support and gift offering. Such an amazing group of friends all offering the practical support that they could. So much gratitude!

As a child, this friend was not only a school friend, but also a church friend and ironically, so was the friend who had organised the group chat. There was not one mention of prayer!

What happens to our faith as we get older?

As a child, it can be easy to believe in things that are being taught to us. As we get older, something shifts. Bear Grylls says that he "remembers praying a simple prayer up a tree one evening and saying, 'God, if you're like I knew you as a kid, would you be that friend again?' It was no more complicated than that. The amazing thing is that all God asks is that we sort of open the door and He'll do the rest. As children, the presence of Jesus is so real that we can embrace him, just as he embraces us. It seems that as adults, if we are not nurturing our faith, it is not so easy.

If we are to see children and young people continuing in faith in our churches, we need to enable parents to nurture their children's spirituality. Parents are their children's biggest influence - but many feel ill equipped or simply don't know where to start when it comes to growing their children's faith.

Last term we decided to take part in an Alpha course to see if it was something that would serve our school communities. We believe that Alpha is a safe and welcoming environment that allows individuals to ask questions about faith. Is there more to life than this? Does God really exist? Alpha is positioned to respond to these questions. It allows you to explore Faith, Life and Meaning.

How ever you look at life, it can be a time of "uncertainty", but it is also a time of "Opportunity"

Please take the time to look at this quick link and consider having the courage to join us on this journey (with others)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fViYK_Xb3Wg

Please register at this link: <https://christchurchnorth.org.nz/alpha/>



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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. You are all welcome to join us.

PLEASE NOTE:

Fr Alister is on break and is back on deck **Saturday 10 July.**

Welcome to St Joseph's school children and their families to the 10am Mass at St Gregory's

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021

We are blessed to have 142 children enrolled in our First Holy Communion programme this year.

Please welcome these children as they attend Mass over this weekend (3/4 July) for their official enrolment Mass.

At these Masses, there will be named prayer cards for you to choose, so you can keep that child with you in prayer.

PRAYER MINISTRY this weekend - at all Christ the King Masses.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY CONTACTS

Most hospitals no longer provide names of Catholic patients to our chaplains.

If there is someone from your family going to hospital, please advise the chaplain or let the nurses know that you would like to see the Catholic Chaplain/Priest on call.

Christchurch Hospital: Angela McCormick 364 0640 (x89554)

Burwood Hospital: Megan Emery 027 410 6940

Hillmorton Hospital: Joan Hough 021 501 683

Nurse Maude Hospice: Christchurch North Parish 03 359 1438

St George's Hospital: Christchurch North Parish 03 359 1438

Southern Cross: Cathedral Parish 379 1068

NORTH PARISH SCHOOL FAMILIES - TERM 2 DIOCESAN FEES

A reminder to our school families that Term 2 Diocesan Fees are now overdue.

We would appreciate payment as soon as possible, if you are having difficulties please contact the Parish office. Please ensure payments are made in to the correct bank account.

St Joseph's school diocesan fees - 03-1592-0207367-021

Christ the King school diocesan fees - 03-1592-0207367-022

St Patrick's school diocesan fees - 03-1592-0207367-023

St Albans Catholic school diocesan fees - 03-1592-0207367-024

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

We remind parishioners to sign in, either by using the app or sign in sheets, when they come Mass, into the church or parish facilities. If you are unwell please stay at home.

Please do not be offended if some one does not want to shake hands at the sign of peace a bow can be used instead.

**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.**



VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Is there a parishioner who lives close by to Christ the King who is able to close and lock the Church from **Sunday - Friday, 5pm** (or approx. that time). Please contact Fr Rick on (03) 359 1438

WALKING IN THE SPIRIT

An online course commencing Wednesday 14 July.
(An ideal follow-up to Alpha)

An inspiring and practical look at Discipleship for Catholics. It will help you grow in your relationship with God and equip you to serve Him more effectively.

More information and registration at www.fdm.org.nz/spirit

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

MID WINTER CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The members of the Parish Rosary Crusade invite all men who enjoy good food and fellowship to a luncheon.

Commencing at 12.30pm on Thursday 15 July
at a venue to be disclosed.

We wish to know the numbers attending, please confirm your desire to attend by emailing;

Eugene at eugene@aynsley.co.nz or

Tony at careymotors@extra.co.nz



ROSARY CRUSADE FOR MEN

You are most welcome to join with other Catholic men at St Gregory's Church every Wednesday from 2pm to pray the rosary.

NEXT ALPHA PROGRAMME BEGINS

Mondays from 26 July 2021
St Bede's College

Parking in the staff car park (access off Momorangi Cres, Redwood)

to register: <https://christchurchnorth.org.nz/alpha>

Email: alpha@christchurchnorth.org.nz

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Please pray for those who are thinking about becoming Catholics. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming a catholic please contact Brendan Woodnutt at the Parish office.

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



ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The SVDP (Papanui Conference) thank you for the continued donations of food, baking, vouchers and help. We rely on your kind donations and help for our vulnerable in our community.

We are a registered charitable organisation and a tax receipt is issued for those who request one.

If you wish to make a donation.

Our bank details are 03-0854-0646219-00

Do you have bedding surplus to requirement, buried in your linen cupboard that you no longer need? SVDP are in desperate need for sheets and blankets to provide warmth and comfort to those in need in our community this winter.

We also have a great need for household furniture particularly whiteware and dining tables.

Bedding can be placed in the parish clothing bins or email Penny on penny@svdpchch.co.nz to arrange bedding/furniture pickup/drop off.

Thank you for helping us help others.



A belated happy 90th birthday to Peg Brereton for last week.

PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

Currently we are baptising children from our four parish schools. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as they begin this journey. Congratulations to the six St Joseph's School children being baptised this weekend.

DOVE FELLOWSHIP

The next Dove meeting is on
Monday 12 July
at 7pm at St Patrick's Church.
61 Fuller Street, Kaiapoi.

The speaker is Sr Gael Henry (former Mission Sister) and her theme is "Jesus take me as I am" based on her overseas Missionary experiences.

All women warmly welcome.

An offering will be taken.

HALF FINISHED

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

Where: Christ the King Centre

When: Wednesday 7 July
10am - 12 Noon

For enquiries phone Janet
021 209 1310



**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

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 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

4 July: William Harris, Anne Glengarry, Ted Hickey, Anne Low, Kenneth (Tom) Patterson, Raymond Madden, Jane Donnelly, William Keith, William Sewell, Florence Caldwell.

5 July: Lambert Kellens, Theresa Hilton, Maise D'Arcy, Mavis Willets, Nicholas Kelly, Mary McGirr, Marie Purcell, Eileen Fahey, Geoffrey Neave.

6 July: Sarah Lockington, Mary Maher, Charles McDonald, James Wylie, Bryan Neave, Noeline Beard, Anton Hendriks, Annette Kenny, Genevieve Duncan.

7 July: Desmond Foster, Wilhelmena Wall, Patrick Cummins, Robert Farrelly, Eliza Kirby, Iris Marsh, David Wallace, Alphonsus Graham, James Kavanagh, Joseph Ross, Margaret Mercer.

8 July: Mary Morris, Elsie Dellow, Veronica Giera, Nancy Meates, Martin Condon, John Tolan, Elizabeth Neeson, Erle Fahey, Damian Frethey, Daniel O'Keefe, Bede McCormick, Lew Ogilvie.

9 July: Frances Summerfield, George Schulze, Herbert Shaw, Archie Wylie, Moira Harris, Marie Andrews, John Collins, Anthony Linklater, Margaret Riordan, Mary Shine.

10 July: Florence Harrington, Wallace Keen, Catherine King, Catherine Mulvihill, Dorothy Holling, Peter Denton, Duncan Ross, Mary Prendergast, William Prenderville, Venantia Peare, Gerard Macmanus.



Those who have recently died:

Denis Perham, Catherine Power (née Stuart), George Gaspar, Michael Dwyer, Lenoree Timlin, Lena Mechtilda Jansen, Mervyn Stonyer, Debbie Gilbert, John (Jerry) De Silva, Jean McHugh, Bill Newsome, Terence (Terry) Fogarty, Kenneth Hawkins, Brother Peter Henderson.

Mass Intentions:

Margaret Collins (Ann), Manolito Panganiban Jr. (RIP Ann), Patrick Ford, Doris, James & Fay Vercoe, Michael Throll (RIP Ann), Frances Summerfield & Lester Summerfield (RIP Ann), Andrew Donnithorne (RIP Ann), Dot Smith (Ann).

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, Michael Hughes, Mary Arscott, Frank Newsome.

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

RECENT BAPTISMS – We pray that you may continue to be guided by God's love and grace.

Ethan Barrington, Tom Huggins, Declan Huggins, Mikhail Huggins, Madison Tan, Hunter Crow, Sienna Chester, Gabriella Brennan, Sophie Farmer, Freddie Lapsley, Fletcher Cottier, Honora Rea, Eoin Lewis, Thomas Olivares, Angus Howell, Edward Howell, William Gibson, Margot Gibson, Elise Baudet, Jack Kingen, Oliver Kingen, Ruth Mathew, Poppy Walker, Elodie Doughty, John Mendoza, Athena Delizo, Mary Bay, Mason Wright, Sophia Sanico, Frankey Nelmes, Kenneth Xiao, Agnes Wong.



**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