

**NORTH PARISH POSTAL ADDRESS**PO Box 20146, Bishopdale,  
Christchurch 8543**PHONE NUMBER** - (03) 359 1438**WEBSITE** - <https://christchurchnorth.org.nz/>**NORTH PARISH****Weekly****SUNDAY 17 OCTOBER // 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****Communion | Participation | Mission**

Last Sunday (10 October) Pope Francis, in Rome, opened the Synod in local Churches. This is a Synod he has called for across the whole Church. He asked that this opening ceremony be recognised and celebrated on this Sunday (17 October) in Dioceses and Parish Churches around the world.

The three key elements of this Synod are:

- **Communion**
- **Participation**
- **Mission**

A synod - an assembly of various members of the Church - is convoked to discuss and decide on Church affairs. It can be a Synod of Bishops, or a Synod called by a Diocesan Bishop for his Diocese. Pope Francis has called the whole Church to take part in this Synod.

*"This journey, which follows in the wake of the Church's 'renewal' proposed by the Second Vatican Council, is both a gift and a task: by journeying together and reflecting together on the journey that has been made, the Church will be able to learn through Her experience which processes can help Her to live communion, to achieve participation, to open Herself to mission." (Preparatory Synodal Document)*

Representatives, young and old, will come from each parish to take part in discussions, and the feedback will go from each Diocese to the Pope.

This weekend we welcome this deep call to each of us in the Church to **walk forward together, sharing a common path and embracing our diversity.**

May we, as Pope Francis has asked us to, pray to the Holy Spirit for this Synod.

God bless,  
*Fr Rick Loughnan*



*This prayer is attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560-636). It has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. This prayer was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.*

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,  
make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path  
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity  
so that we may journey together to eternal life  
and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You,  
who are at work in every place and time,  
in the communion of the Father and the Son,  
forever and ever. Amen.



**For a synodal Church**  
communion | participation | mission

Next Week's Readings: Jeremiah 31:7-9 / Hebrews 5:1-6 / Mark 10:46-52

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*Please note: you have to register every week to attend Sunday Mass. Thank you for your patience as we continue to journey through these uncertain times of lockdown.*

## LEVEL 2 SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE WEEKEND MASSES

**Reminder: all Sunday Masses will be celebrated at Christ the King Church**  
**Saturday Vigil : 5pm, 6:30pm**  
**Sunday : 8am, 9:30am, 11am, 5pm.**

## LEVEL 2 WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE

**St Gregory's Church, Bishopdale**

**Monday - Friday : 7am, 9:15am, Noon**  
**Saturday : 9.15am**  
**Followed by Reconciliation**  
**9:45am - 10:45 am**

**\*NO 12 NOON MASS MONDAY 18 OCTOBER DUE TO A FUNERAL**

We will return to our normal parish Mass schedule when we are back down to Level 1, and these restrictions are lifted. Just a reminder that during Lockdown Level Two (and above) **the dispensation from attending Sunday Mass continues.**

**REGISTER NOW**

or phone the parish office if you do not have access to the internet before 2pm Friday, we do not work on Saturdays.

## FORMING INTENTIONAL DISCIPLES

Sherry Weddell wrote a book in 2012 titled Forming Intentional Disciples.

This book set out a blueprint for forming Catholics as disciples.

To further our growth as a missionary parish and to help us grow as disciples, **we would like to invite you to join a pilot discipleship group.** The overall aim is to grow our parish.

This course will look in depth at Sherry's book discussing 2 chapters each week.

There will be questions to ponder and an opportunity for discussion at each meeting and opportunities for spiritual development. The course will run for 7 weeks starting with an introductory night on Tuesday 2 November at St Joseph's Pastoral Centre 7.30pm - 9.30pm.

Please contact me if you wish to attend.

Phone Brendan Woodnutt 0274 806 960 or email evangelisation@christchurchnorth.org.nz

## NORTH PARISH BUILDING PROJECT

### Please Join Us

Parish Building Engagement  
Information Sharing Days

**Fr Rick and the building committee invite you to the Parish Building Engagement Information Sharing Days**

**After weeks of engagement & data collection we are excited to share what we heard...**

**SUNDAY, 7 NOVEMBER & 21 NOVEMBER**

**1 pm - 3:30pm**

**St Joseph's Pastoral Centre**  
**Cnr Vagues and Main North Road**



**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.**

### RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

**Thursday nights at Christ the King Parish Centre  
7pm 21 October - 11 November.**

**'Dwelling Place: That Christ may dwell in our hearts...'**

Do you wish to deepen your relationship with Christ and discover God's presence then come and join this retreat.

Everyone is welcome and no experience is necessary.

You are invited to commit to a short time of daily prayer and meet on Thursday evenings **7 - 9pm**

The retreat will be led by Kevin Gallagher.

Please visit <https://christchurchnorth.org.nz/event/retreat-in-daily-life/> to register.

### PARISH FRIENDSHIP AND DINING OUT GROUP

This month we will meet outside Christ the King Church on **Thursday 28 October at 11.30am.**

We will share transport to go to a local venue for lunch.

Please RSVP to Michele Ward 3584 304 by Tuesday 26 October.

Bring along your friends and join us.



### SENIORS' BUS TRIP

A free bus trip to Trotts Community Gardens in Ashburton on Tuesday 26 October, entry \$5.

Lunch at Hotel Ashburton, \$20 for a two course lunch.

Names to Marie Kelly 352 2707 or Velma Maunsell 354 0060 by Sunday 24 October

Bus leaving from St Joseph's Pastoral Centre at 9.15 am and CTK at 9.30 am. Returning approximately 3.30pm

## THANK YOU

Thank you from Phoebe Bryant a young parishioner on NET ministries.

I've completed my sponsorship for my NET year.

Thanks to your generosity, I have been able to fully raise the funds needed to contribute to my year of mission. With just under three months left of NET your prayers for our team are greatly appreciated.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NORTH BRANCH

Catholic Women's League Christchurch North Branch

AGM will be held on Thursday 21 October

in the St Joseph's Pastoral Centre at 1.30 pm.

We will take an arm chair trip to Italy with Kay. All welcome.



### TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!

Friday, 19 November  
7pm - late

Burnside Rugby Club Rooms

\$25 per ticket

BYO Nibbles / Cash bar

Please visit the events page on the [parish website](#) to RSVP your tickets now, and for more info.

**These are limited to 100**



### PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

All planned giving envelopes are now available to pick up from the St Gregory's church foyer.

The church building is open 7 days a week.



Every year, the priests of the Diocese gather together to celebrate Mass for those who are celebrating a jubilee of priestly ordination.

**Fr Edwin Colaco sdb** celebrates his Silver Jubilee (25 years), and

**Fr Bernard Carney sm** celebrates his Golden Jubilee (50 years).

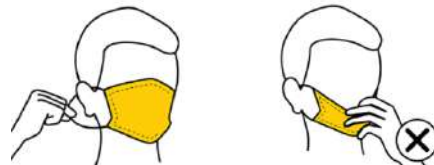
We will celebrate Fr Edwin's Silver Jubilee as a parish later this year.

### WEARING A FACE MASK

Place the face covering over your nose and mouth, then secure it with ties or ear loops.

#### The face covering should:

fully cover your nose, mouth and chin  
fit comfortably, but securely, against the side of your face to allow you to breathe easily.



## 16 October Get Vaccinated

Unite

### BELONG and BELIEVE: A CaFE film resource.

Refreshing our communities and renewing our mission.

Ideal for parish teams and small groups.

Training for parish teams online or in person.

Ring Graeme 021 413659.



### ST VINCENT DE PAUL APPEAL

There is currently a great need and we are asking for donations both financially and with food assistance.

If you wish to make a financial donation our bank account details are **03 - 0802010234 - 00**

Cash donations can be placed in an envelope marked St Vincent de Paul and put into the collection basket at weekend masses. Canned or dry food items and toiletries, can be left in the basket in the St Gregory's foyer.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**Please send all bulletin and noticeboard posters 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**

**PLEASE REFER TO THE  
CENTRE OF THE  
BULLETIN  
FOR  
COVID LEVEL 2  
MASS TIMES**

**REMEMBER  
REGISTRATION IS  
REQUIRED FOR  
WEEKEND MASSES  
ONLY**

**RECONCILIATION  
TIMES  
Saturdays  
Refer to Level 2  
guidelines**

St Gregory's  
9:45 - 10:45 am

[ or by appointment ]

**ADORATION**

St Gregory's Perpetual  
Adoration Chapel  
24 hours a day, 7 days  
a week

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

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

Preferences are signed on the first, second and third Friday of each month between 3 - 4pm at the Parish office 26 Cotswold Ave Bishopdale.

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

*Please note: no preference certificate signings during school holidays.*



**17 October:** Catherine McTigue, Jane Sullivan, Mary Ryder, William (Bill) Elliott, John Noble, Victoria Moynihan, Ivan Moynihan, Edward Donnelly.

**18 October:** Antonia Dillion, Brian Crooke, Eileen Shaw, Margaret Scurr, Bernard (Bernie) Campbell, Ida Simes, Maureen Wallis.

**19 October:** Margaret Kelly, Frank Beard, James Walsh, John Linklater, Irma Watson.

**20 October:** Fredrick Sisson, John Fitzsimons, Christine Graham, Florence Skedden, Marie Cullen.

**21 October:** Mary James, Dorothy Walker, Anthony Bagley, Doreen Lim, David Donaldson, Michael Blazey, Michael McCarthy, John Mullane, Ellice Bentley.

**22 October:** David Wilder, Johanna (Anne) Van Pelt, Madeleine Upjohn, Brian Kelly, Helen Methven, Stella Bearman, Doris Grady, Alice McDonnell, Roderick Tohill, Patricia Schiphorst.

**23 October:** Mary Molloy, Tony Thurlow, Glen Watson, Norman May, Czeslaw Nakielski, Mary (Molly) Winder, Maurice Gilmore, David Cotter, Robert Power.



**Those who have recently died:**

Louise Farrant, Peter Cahill, Theo Edwards, Len Brereton, Alistair Read, Trevor Roswell, Luisa Teofilo, Ellie Messervy, John Coghlan, Donna Jagers, Fr Frank Kelly, Pale Lafaele, Mary Parker, Michael Newton, Ammi Joy, Noeline Klemick, Sister M. Adrian Keating, Monica Kelly.

**Mass Intentions:**

Margaret Collins (Ann), Ellen Bridget Crowe (RIP Ann), Malcolm McRae (RIP Ann), Tony Bagley (RIP Ann.), David Holland (RIP Ann.), Fr Frank Kelly (RIP Rec.).

**Those who are sick:**

Monsignor Bill Middleton, Colleen McCammon, Mary Fitzgerald, Noel Mullis, Margaret Aynsley, John Frame, Philip Baird, Mary de Leijer, Neill Williamson, Kath Carrington, Tanya Boers, Mary Arscott, Frank Newsome, Lily Wei, Aimee Brown, Harry Albert, Pat Selvam, Fran Edmonds, Fr Pat Kennedy, Theresa Campbell, Mel Sugrue, Robyn Holmes.

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



**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**