

NORTH PARISH

Weekly

SUNDAY 24 OCTOBER // 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Where is God revealing his love to you today?

Like many of us, Sister Miriam grew up Catholic and her family went to mass every Sunday, but for all the time she spent in church, she had never fallen in love with God, nor did she ever have a personal encounter with Jesus Christ as the living Lord who seeks us, knows us, heals us and desires to become one with us.

Miriam did, however, fall in love with sports and school and other things that quickly overshadowed any attachment she had to God or to an understanding of who she truly was in his sight. When she was a senior in high school, she was offered a full scholarship to play volleyball at a Division I university and proceeded to sign that scholarship thinking that all her dreams would come true.

"I had aspirations of working for ESPN or some other high-powered career and finally 'making it' in the world. The reality, though, was quite different."

There were no boundaries around the endless choices that university life presented, and her moral life continued to fracture; time after time this so called 'freedom' brought her bitter suffering. Miriam had also sustained unimaginable trauma in her early life and by the time she was 21, she had become an alcoholic. Her interior life was shattered with secrets, but she carried on with what appeared to be a "normal" life.

Right in the middle of it all, God deeply intervened into her life in the form of a beloved priest and the desperate prayers of her mother. Authentic love and grace had ultimately saved Miriam. The healing and restoration that Jesus has done in her life from addiction, abuse and trauma was remarkable and continues to be an ongoing journey of honesty, hope and redemption.

"I am beyond grateful. God is so beautiful. He never leaves us nor forsakes us."

Believe in the power of authentic love. Believe in the healing and restorative mercy of God. Believe that the most powerful gospel we will ever preach is how we live our daily lives.

Your life matters.

Your story matters.

You matter!"

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The office will be **CLOSED** on Monday 25 October (Labour Day).

On Monday 25 October there will be a **9.15am Mass**
but there will be **NO 7am or 12 Noon Mass**

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**

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 



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 027 480 6960 or email evangelisation@christchurchnorth.org.nz

NORTH PARISH BUILDING PROJECT

Parish Building Engagement
Information Sharing Days



We want a parish that is connected, where
we and our families feel safe and
supported.



SUNDAY 7 NOVEMBER

&

SUNDAY 21 NOVEMBER

1 pm - 3:30pm

St Joseph's Pastoral Centre



**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.**



PARISH SCHOOLS' COORDINATOR

If you are passionate about our school families and would like to be involved in connecting the School and Parish community, we have a vacancy for a Parish 'Schools Coordinator.'

This position is for 20 hours a week with some flexibility.

Please contact Melonie at the Parish Office to discuss further.

(03) 359 1438 by Monday 8 November.

Diocesan Fee Donations

The cost of diocesan fees is \$412 per child per year.

Diocesan fees are used to service loans, provide and maintain school properties and administration costs. The religious education component of the diocesan fees is paid to fund teacher support and programmes for the teaching of religious education. Donations are used at the discretion of the parish priest for families who need financial assistance.

To make a donation please use the following details.

Bank Account 03 1592 0207367 24

(Name - Donation - DF)

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 then travel by bus to a destination outside the city for a lunch (at no cost)

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



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

Donations needed for raffles. If you are able to help, please contact the parish office.



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Please pick up your planned giving packs (whether envelope or automatic payment), the pack includes a letter from Fr Rick.

Available from the St Gregory's foyer.

The church building is open 7 days a week (usually open between 7am - 6pm).

PLEASE NOTE there is NO YOUTH GROUP Sunday 24 October due to Labour Weekend.

Youth Group will resume on Sunday 31 October with our Masterchef competition.

6pm - 8.30pm at St Joseph's Pastoral Centre open to Year 7-13 students.

Email Kaelyn for more information at youth@christchurchnorth.org.nz



COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2022

From next weekend Saturday 30 October the Catholic Women's League will be selling Columban Calendars after Masses.



HEARTS AFLAME NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

Hearts Aflame is a national Catholic event for young adults that has been running for 30 years. At Hearts, people are drawn into a deeper relationship with Christ through the Sacraments, formation, and community.

With the 30th anniversary coming up, the Hearts Aflame Planning Team invites parishioners to support this event.

If you would like to make a donation, please visit the website at www.heartsaflame.org.nz/donate/ Prayer is always appreciated!



**HEARTS
AFLAME**
Fides et Scientia



SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP

For all Volunteers in Ministries

TUESDAY 26 OCTOBER

Sacred Heart Addington

1pm or 7pm

Who should attend: Any NEW Volunteers in Ministries or any Volunteers who have not yet attended a Safeguarding Workshop. Anyone from any of our parishes can attend this event. Attending these safeguard workshops is a requirement of volunteering/ministering in every parish in our Diocese. New Volunteers or people who have not yet been able to attend past workshops are asked to attend.

You do not need to RSVP, just turn up and sign in.

**Contact: Clodagh Ward - Christchurch Diocese
Safeguarding Officer**

cward@cdoc.nz /022 0124142

**Ethel & Bethel
Bingo Babes**



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**

**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



24 October: Louis Fowler, Norah Sugrue, Patricia Gibson, Catherine White, Invanka Ivos, Noni Ansley, George Morris, Terence Olsen, John Ford, Winifred McGrath, Andrew Pfahlert.

25 October: Ursula Kane, Jacqui Kanneen, Oreen Kelman, Eileen Sutherland, Robert Watson, Frederick Arscott, Quita Webster, Barbara Selby, Maureen Burns, Rebecca Palmer, Violet Morrison, Elizabeth Murray.

26 October: Margaret Dennehy, Leslie Thompson, Henry Shackle, William Hardy, Verna Hortop, Sylvia Parker, Margaret East, Peter Courtenay, Patricia Sheehan, Kay Gardiner, Catharina Giesen.

27 October: Herbert Fahey, Mervyn Downes, Gerald Anderson, Monica Fitzgibbon, Cecil (Toby) Brown, Catherine Henderson, Ann Graham, Patrick Dempsey.

28 October: James McDonnell, Olga Gaffney, Teresa herring, Leonard McGoldrick.

29 October: Russell Steel, Margaret Kelleher, George Anderson, Joy McAloon, Patricia Steel, Karen Barnett, Neil Lindstorm, Elizabeth Palfi.

30 October: Juliet Robin, Michael Caddick, Christopher Howell, William Smith, Cornelia Beukers, Mark Costigan, Catherine Foley, Aloysius Sweeney, Eileen Walker, Elisabeth Knegt, Couteney Watson.



Those who have recently died:

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, John Outram, William Cairns, Dean Leighton, Arthur Regan.

Mass Intentions:

Margaret Collins (Ann), Jean Reddington-Thurlow (RIP Ann.), Patricia (Pat) Gormley (RIP Ann.), Constance (Connie) Bendall (RIP Ann.), Thomas (Greg) McGregor Crowe (RIP Ann.), Christine Boswell (RIP Ann.), Kevin Anderson (RIP Ann.), Graeme Glen, John Fahey, Kathleen & Pat Ford, Luke and Mary Fahey, Pauline Daly (Ann).

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, Jenny Le Noel.

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