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Weekly

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JESUS' TEACHING ON MARRIAGE



On the 50th wedding anniversary of the great Henry Ford, someone asked him what his secret for marital success and happiness was. "Just the same as in the automobile industry, Ford replied, stick to one model."

Jesus taught the same 2000 years ago, as we read in today's gospel. "Some Pharisees came [to Jesus], and to test him they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" (Mark 10:2). What is going on here? Why is it a temptation? Well, to start with, the Pharisee never had any doubts about the dissolubility of marriage. The Old Testament Law took the lawfulness of divorce and remarriage for granted and all the Pharisees accepted that.

Jesus' reply underlines two important points. First point, Jesus treats the woman as a person. Earlier Jewish law treated her as property of the man to be disposed of at will. In fact, here for the first time in Hebrew literature (verse 12) we hear not just of the man divorcing the woman but also of the woman taking the initiative to divorce the man. Jesus treats the woman as a legal person equal to the man. Second point, Jesus is interested in teaching not legal statements but moral principles. They asked him whether divorce was lawful, his reply was that the mind of God is for husband and wife never to separate. They asked him about what was lawful, he told them what was best for them, what they should always strive for. For in Christ "All things are lawful, but not all things are helpful. All things are lawful, but not all things build up" (1 Corinthians 10:23).

Marriage is a bond of true love and care. A true sign of Fidelity and total commitment. This is a small message I have for you: It's going to be a marriage bond recipe where the ingredients are: **Care Share and Be Fair.**

That brings us to the First ingredient:

CARE: is in line with love. Care is to be one with the other. Be considerate, kind and compassionate. Both in words and deeds. Care is more of giving than receiving. It should be given out of concern. This is the real essence for marriage. The second suggestion: The last words before the end of day should be "I love you as you are"

Let's see what the Second Ingredient has to tell us.

SHARE: marriage can be effective if the quality of sharing is present. It is not only sharing things, your time, money, your home. But above all your feelings, joys and sorrows, ups and downs, success and failures. Communicate your inner feelings. When you feel angry, neglected, hurt express your sentiments. A practical suggestion: Every day spend a few moments simply talking and listening to one another.

This brings us to the last ingredient of the recipe:

FAIR: There, will be hurt feelings, disagreement, misunderstandings. But one should reconcile quickly and heal wounds. Talk to each other with trust and confidence. Speak straight and do not hide anything from the other. Before going to sleep make up by saying, "I forgive you".

Fr Edwin



Next Week's Readings: Wisdom 7:7-11 / Hebrews 4:12-13 / Mark 10:17-30

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LEVEL 2 SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

WEEKEND MASSES

Beginning Saturday evening 2 October

All Masses will be celebrated at Christ the King Church

Saturday Vigil : 5pm, 6:30pm

Sunday : 8am, 9:30am, 11am, 5pm.

REGISTER NOW



or phone the parish office if you do not
have access to the internet before
2pm Friday

Level 2 Weekday Mass Timetable

St Gregory's Church, Bishopdale

Starting 2 October

Monday - Friday : 7am, 9:15am, Noon

SATURDAY 9.15am

Followed by Reconciliation

9:45am - 10:45 am

We understand that these changes may be unnerving but know that these are only temporary. 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.**

This is a peace of mind for those who are still uneasy about coming to Mass.

SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS IN MINISTRIES



TUESDAY 26 OCTOBER

1pm at Sacred Heart, Addington - LUNCHTIME SESSION

7pm at Sacred Heart, Addington

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 safeguarding 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

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.

Congratulations to Monty Bamford who is being ordained a deacon this Saturday 2 October by Archbishop Paul at St Mary's Pro Cathedral.

Due to level 2 restrictions this is by invitation only. Please keep Monty in your prayers.



St AUGUSTINE'S BOOKSHOP

Hours are 9.30am - 12.30pm
Tuesday - Saturday.

Please follow level 2 procedure of scanning in and wearing face masks.

YOUNG ADULTS FEEDBACK SESSION

We would love to hear from you what you kind of events you want from our parish young adult group. All young adults aged 18-30 are welcome to join us for drinks, nibbles and sharing. Sunday 10th October 6pm at Christ the King Pastoral Centre.

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



A temporary gardener is required by a parishioner if you are interested please contact Jo 027 205 1010

Have you had your COVID Vaccine.

<https://bookmyvaccine.covid19.health.nz/>

THE PREGNANCY CHOICE CENTRE

Pregnancy Choice offers free help and support to women with an unplanned pregnancy.

We invite you to support this work by donating quality clothing, children's books, toys and household items to our Flourish Op Shop.

Opening Wednesday 6 October
445 Colombo St, Sydenham. Ph 351 3227
<https://www.facebook.com/flourishopshop/>

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.

WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU A PART OF OUR COMMUNITY!

Why not join our parish roll, and receive important notices via email. Click the image below to join our parish roll.



KNOWING GOD BETTER

Can my faith make a real difference?

Does God really care about me?

Why should I pray?

Knowing God Better is a fun and stimulating 7 talk series by David Payne. Everybody is welcome - Tell your friends.

This is an online Zoom course, Tuesdays 7 pm - 8 pm

Starting Tuesday October 5.

More information and registration online at www.fdm.org.nz/kgb

LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY MASS - 9AM

Please visit the parish website for the live streamed Mass, celebrated by the priests of the Central Parish.

ANNUAL APPEAL of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions (Mission Sisters)

The Mission Sisters would be grateful for your support for their appeal this year. The focus is on two areas of need.

Myanmar: COVID 19 is also spreading through the whole country. Health care is fragile; hospitals have been closed. Among those most affected are pregnant women and mothers with new born babies. The RNDM sisters help to provide shelter, food and support for these women.

Philippines: COVID 19 is putting the community in Kulaman, Southern Philippines, under great strain. The sisters are providing rice, vegetables, milk and baby formula to remote villages in an effort to support those in the Maternal and Child Programme.

Donations: Province Office: PO Box 30-575 Lower Hutt 5040
New Zealand

Direct Credit Account number: 06-0529-0413665-03
Account Name: Institute de Notre Dame des Missions
Particulars: MA2020 Code: Your Surname

PRAY MASS
SUNDAYS @ 2.00pm SHINE TV
Free-to-air TV Channel 25
SKY TV Channel 201

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

Refer to Level 2 guidelines

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

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

There will be **NO Preference Signing** on Friday 8 October due to school holidays.



3 October: Malcolm McRae, Lester Collins, Ruth Manning, Margaret O'Malley, Mary Jones.

4 October: Gregory Purcell, Ronald Coleman, Alice Morais, Patricia Halligan.

5 October: Clare Dawber, Michael Buckley, Andrew Wakefield, Helena Aynsley, Margaret (Peg) Hempseed, Gladys Elliot, Dorothy McDonnell, John Carroll, Brenda Brankin, Hugh Hennessey, Margaret Doherty, Teresa Phelan.

6 October: Beverley Hack, William Dunn, Margaret Cole, Elizabeth McDonnell, Dorothy Rosenblum, Winifred O'Connell, Audrey Truman, Rina Mallouk, Beverley Lanini, Brian White.

7 October: Elizabeth Quigley, Murray Macowan, Leonard Topp, Gertrude Joyce, John Owen, Lawrence Berry, Lynne Menzies, Charles Hill, Frieda Boeyen, Timothy (Terry) Leonard, Kathleen (Kathy) Toumazou, Myrtle Ross.

8 October: Richard Furness, Martin Burke, Belinda Price, Brian Coburn, Miriam McAteer, Patricia Foord, Frederick Fisher, Ena O'Connor, John Sepie.

9 October: Amy Clay, Sean Mackey, Diana Jessett, Nicolaas van der Plas, Owen McManus, Theda O'Brien, Richard Sumicz, Donald Anderson, Hendrikus de Gouw, Johanna Lanigan.



Those who have recently died:

Louise Farrant, Peter Cahill, Theo Edwards, Len Brereton, Trevor Roswell, Luisa Teofilo, Ellie Messervy, John Coghlan, Donna Jagers, Fr Frank Kelly, Pale Lafaele, Mary Parker, Michael Newton.

Mass Intentions:

Margaret Collins (Ann), Manolito Panganiban Jr (RIP Ann), Thomas Joseph Rodriguez (RIP), Antony Augustine Kallumpurath (RIP Ann) John Joseph Reddington, Ellen Bridget Crowe (RIP Ann), Malcolm McRae (RIP Ann), Roger Quijada (RIP).

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, Noeline Klemick, 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