



**CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL PARISH**  
KO TE KARAITI KEI TE PŪ  
*Christ in the Centre*  
ŌTAUTAHI - CHRISTCHURCH

16<sup>th</sup> May 2021

*The Ascension of the Lord Year B*

### **Laying the Spiritual Foundation for the conversion and transformation of our Parish**

On Pentecost Sunday, our parish is one year old. Over the parish year we have talked a lot about becoming a parish that preaches the good news of Jesus Christ “without hesitation, reluctance or fear”. We have taken a number of steps including our parish conference day and beginning Alpha.

The starting point for any renewal is always prayer – we want to lay the spiritual foundation for all the work that the Lord wants to do in our parish. And he wants to work – Sherry Weddell, in her book *Forming Intentional Disciples*, states that we should ‘expect and plan for conversion’, for people to be drawn by the Holy Spirit to come to our parish. And we are seeing signs of this already. One of the ways Sherry suggests is through intercessory prayer. Praying for the people both in our parish and in our community to experience God’s love in a new and deeper way. **So, this Pentecost, we are praying for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit for ourselves, our parish and our community.** We are going to go out and pray for the people of our parish and our community, that their hearts might be open to a new experience of God’s love for them.

Why don’t you come and join us and help us lay the spiritual foundation for all that God wants to do in this parish community. We will meet in 3 locations in our Parish on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 3.00pm and head off together to pray quietly for no longer than an hour. Children are welcome.

Choose from one of these locations:  
Old St Francis Church on Innes Road  
Outside Te Rangimaire Centre on Gloucester St  
In the car park at St Mary’s Pro-Cathedral

We would like to have a prayer walk happening once a month in our Parish. If this is something you would be happy to undertake please contact Clare [cbell@cathedralparish.nz](mailto:cbell@cathedralparish.nz)

**Matt O’Connell and Clare Bell**  
**Prayer Walk Coordinators**

**Masses have been offered for:**  
Maria Joseph Emmanuel (India),  
John Garvey, Joseph Colin Keane  
and Neville Tiller (Recent); C T  
Joseph and Valerie Pavelka  
(anniversary).

## **PARISH INFORMATION**

### **SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm  
Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am,  
11am Choral Mass, 4.30pm,  
6.00pm

Te Rangimarie Centre  
11:00am (Maori Mass)

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday to Friday  
7.30am, 9.15am, 12.05pm  
Saturday 9.15am  
Public Holiday 9.15am

### **RECONCILIATION**

Monday to Friday 11.30am  
Saturday 9.45am

### **APOSTOLIC ADMINISTRATOR**

Archbishop Paul Martin SM

### **PRESBYTERY**

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### **CATHEDRAL ADMINISTRATOR**

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### **Office Hours**

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READINGS FOR THE DAY 1<sup>ST</sup> ACTS 1: 1-11; 2<sup>ND</sup>: EPH 4:1-13;

GOSPEL: MARK 16: 15-20

PSALM RESPONSE: GOD MOUNTS HIS THRONE TO SHOUTS OF JOY: A BLARE OF TRUMPETS FOR THE LORD.

**Come Holy Spirit** Join us for an evening of prayer as we enter Pentecost weekend: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May 7.00pm – 7:45pm Reconciliation; 7:45 – 8:30pm Praise and Worship. Come and join us for prayer and music. Come for the whole time or for some of the time.

**Pentecost Sunday** Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday when we celebrate our Parish's first birthday. Parishioners are invited to place a pin on the map in the narthex to show where in the world they have come from to make Christchurch and the Cathedral Parish their home. Parishioners are also invited to wear their national dress to Masses on that day.

**Take Action Against Modern Slavery** Modern slavery is the severe exploitation of other people for personal or commercial gain and is in the clothes we wear, the coffee we drink, and the goods we love and purchase. Two-thirds of all people in modern slavery live in Asia Pacific – the area New Zealand trades with extensively. Unlike many other countries, New Zealand has no legislation that requires companies to undertake due diligence looking into the risks of modern slavery within their supply chains and taking actions to address those risks. Modern Slavery legislation is a key way for New Zealand companies to work together to eliminate modern slavery in private and public sector supply chains. You can take action by signing the petition in the Narthex or going online to [www.signforfreedom.nz](http://www.signforfreedom.nz) before 17<sup>th</sup> May.



**St Vincent de Paul** This week we helped **75 people** in our community. Our pantry is in need of **breakfast cereal, canned fruit, long life milk, instant coffee, canned spaghetti and biscuits.** *Thank you for your kind*

*donations - please note non-perishable food only as we are unable to store perishable or frozen food.* Who are we?... what do we do? How do we help those in need? Please visit our website: <https://www.svdpchch.co.nz/>

**St Vincent de Paul - Free Budget Advice** Day to Day Money Planning. SVDP will discuss with you confidentially, ways and solutions to your money worries. To make an appointment phone 021 244 9966 or email [penny@svdpchch.co.nz](mailto:penny@svdpchch.co.nz). Appointments available Wednesday and Friday 10am-1pm. 265 Stanmore Road, Christchurch.

**Transport for a parishioner** Anyone able to provide transport to Mass on the weekend, from the Palms area in Shirley, please contact Kirsten Challies.

**New Parishioners** We are blessed to have you with us and want to assist you with settling as best we can. Please fill in a green registration form from the Narthex and return it, once completed, in the giving basket or to the parish office or a staff member.

#### **Areas in which you can serve at Sunday Mass**

##### **Liturgy of the Word with Children (LWC) Helpers**

We are in need of 3 or 4 helpers to support the teacher at Liturgy of the Word with Children at 9:30am Mass during term time. If your child/ren attend LWC we would ask you consider being a helper. We would also invite others 16 and over to join the team. For more information contact Clare [cbell@cathedralparish.nz](mailto:cbell@cathedralparish.nz)

**Altar servers** In the next few months we would like to offer training once again for Altar Servers. To be an Altar Server you must be Year 5 and above and have made your First Communion and have a level of maturity. Please take a blue form from the Narthex or email [cbell@cathedralparish.nz](mailto:cbell@cathedralparish.nz)

**The Welcome Team is looking for some helpers at 11.00am, 4.30pm and 6.00pm Masses. Contact Clare Bell if you can help.**

**Preference of Enrolment Certificates** If you are about to enrol your child in a Catholic School you need to obtain a Preference of Enrolment Certificate. This can be done by bringing your child's Catholic Baptism Certificate to the parish office during office hours.

**Catholic Cathedral College Open Evening Tuesday 18 May** from 6.30pm – 8.00pm at 62 Ferry Road,

**Adoration** is held in the chapel on weekdays between 11.00am-12 noon.

**Novena** is held in the church after the 9.15am Mass on Saturday mornings.

**Wednesday Prayer** Join with other parishioners in taking a Wednesday as a specific day of prayer and a form of fasting for family and loved ones who don't choose to follow Christ. We pray in our own spaces, as we go about our day, and remember others in our parish who are doing the same and we offer prayer for their loved ones too.

**If you usually pay your planned giving by cheque the last day the Parish will accept them is 31 May 2021. Please either use cash or set up an automatic payment instead.**