



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

30<sup>th</sup> May 2021  
The Most Holy Trinity Year B

## Called to be Extraordinary



This week we returned to 'Ordinary Time' in the Church Liturgical calendar, having completed our Easter season. However, this period of 'ordinary time' is only ordinary in that we continue in our process of being molded by the Gospel readings that focus on Jesus' life and ministry. Nothing about that is ordinary in 2021!

If we were to follow the ordinary pattern of life of the average person living in New Zealand: getting up, going to work, meeting with family, catching up with friends, participating in a pastime or cultural activity, exercising, eating, and sleeping; it is unlikely that "being molded by the Gospel readings about Jesus' life" would register in that mix. So, for us to fully participate in this 'Ordinary Time' of our liturgical year, we need to be EXTRAORDINARY. If we don't make a decision and take action to be molded by the gospel, it won't happen. We need to make some effort to be different and not be consumed by the culture of our day.

Deciding to set aside just 15 minutes per day, to sit with the readings and allow God to mold us, is one way of standing against the cultural current in order that we might better mirror Jesus. Daily readings can be found on our Diocesan website, on phone apps such as Universalis or Laudate, or in magazines such as the Marist Messenger or the Magnificat. The phone app "Pray As You Go" will also lead you through a 15 minute time of prayer focused on the daily readings. Lectio Divina prayer is a helpful tool in applying the readings to our lives.

### Lectio Divina

1. Read the Scripture readings through slowly twice listening for what most resonates for you.
2. Meditate on, or think about, the word, phrase or idea that most stands out for you.
3. Speak with God about what you have pondered on.
4. Now simply enjoy 'being' in God's company.

Spiritual Direction, where we meet with someone approximately once a month to look at where God might be working in our life, can be a very helpful practice, enabling us to take notice of God's hand amidst the ordinary. You can find a list of Spiritual Directors on the Diocesan website.



**Kirsten Challies**  
Pastoral Worker

### Masses have been offered for:

Cynthia Cunningham, Frances Pym, (recent), Ryan Adamson (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 (Miha Māori)

### 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

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**READINGS FOR THE DAY** 1<sup>ST</sup> DEUT 4: 32-34, 39-40; 2<sup>ND</sup>: ROM 8: 14-17;

GOSPEL: MATT 28: 16-20

PSALM RESPONSE: HAPPY THE PEOPLE THE LORD HAS CHOSEN TO BE HIS OWN.

### **Do you call Cathedral Parish your home?**

**It's Census Time** This weekend and next we are conducting our Parish Census. This is where we gather up-to-date information from you on who makes up your household. If you consider Cathedral parish your home please complete a Census form this weekend (or access it online on the parish website or the various social media platforms). One form per household please. Our parish roll will be updated directly from these Census forms – therefore if we don't receive a completed Census Form from you and you are currently on the parish roll, someone will need to either phone or visit you. Having an accurate parish roll allows us to provide better pastoral care and administration of the parish. It also means we will comply with the privacy laws that came into being in December last year.

**Men's 'Spirit Night' - Whisky & The Holy Spirit** Friday 11th June, 7.00pm at St Francis of Assisi School, Innes Rd. Join the Cathedral Brotherhood for an evening of faith sharing, accompanied by a whisky tasting. Speakers include Fr Simon Eccleton. Seats must be booked at either the parish office, or email Phil Bell [phil.clare.bell@gmail.com](mailto:phil.clare.bell@gmail.com). \$20pp. To secure your place payment can be made into the parish bank account Catholic Cathedral Trust 03 1592 0207236 20 using the reference WHISKY

**Vigil for Life** Your country needs you! Please join us to pray for the conversion of hearts and reverence for Life at a beautiful Vigil on the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June**, Sacred Heart Church, Spencer St. Addington. Begins with Mass at 7.30pm followed by Adoration and Rosary till midnight. Confession available. Enquiries: JP2 Centre 351 3225.

**Young Adults** Next meeting is on Monday 31st May at 7.00pm in the Narthex (please note date and venue change due to Queen's birthday). Our topic is: **Pentecost - building the Church**. Find us on Facebook: Cathedral Parish Young Adults

**Sacrament of Confirmation** Any Baptised Catholic adults in the parish who have yet to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to receive the Sacrament this year in September please contact Clare Bell [cbell@cathedralparish.nz](mailto:cbell@cathedralparish.nz)

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is held in the Blessed Sacrament chapel every weekday between 11:00am -12 midday. Come and spend some time with the Lord.

**Priests at 'Solidarity'** This week the priests of the parish are at Hanmer for their annual gathering with fellow clergy. Thanks to Fr Mike Doyle and Fr Peter Farrant for assisting with Masses over these days. Please note there are NO 7.30am Masses Tuesday to Friday this week. Where a priest is required in an emergency please call Fr Peter Farrant on 021 043 9093.

**St Vincent de Paul** This week we helped **90 people** in our community. Our pantry is in need of **pasta, tinned fruit, tinned soup, biscuits and soap powder**. Thank you to all who continue to support us financially through donations directly into our bank account or through the SVDP envelopes available in the Narthex. May God bless the givers and their gifts.

**Interested in becoming Catholic?** We will begin instruction in August on our Catholic faith and anyone who feels drawn to become a full member of our Church, or simply to investigate that option, is welcome to join in this instruction. Please make yourself known to one of the priests or pastoral workers or complete the OCIA form in the Narthex to register your interest. We look forward to journeying with you.

**Inviting others to become Catholic** If you have someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic, please take time for focused prayer for them over these coming weeks and invite them to our OCIA programme which begins in August, where they can receive instruction in the Catholic faith. If it would be helpful for Fr Job or Kirsten Challies to describe the process, contact them via email.

**Workshop** On Wednesday this week Clare will repeat the workshop she gave at our Parish Alive Conference "The Bishop Has Asked Us To Do What?" Join her at 7.00pm in the Assisi Lounge for an hour.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** is held in the Chapel after the 9:15am Mass on Saturday mornings.

**Parish Men's Luncheon** to be held at "GBR" 180 Marshlands Rd 12 noon 15 June. Please confirm attendance by June 13th. Confirmation or any inquiries to Martin 385 9947.

**Children of Hope: Adoration for Kids** Come along and spend some time with Jesus in a half hour of guided adoration. Songs, prayers and short periods of silence, St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Chapel, 3.00pm, Sunday 6th June. Nibbles and play afterwards in the Assisi Lounge. All welcome. Contact Debra: 0277175616 for more info.