



CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL PARISH
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Christ in the Centre
ŌTAUTAHI - CHRISTCHURCH

10th October 2021

28th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B

Around the Parish

Being a Good Neighbour – These days are uncharted territory for us. The whole world is grappling with Covid-19, each country in its own way. I hope you are managing okay and are reaching out for help where you need it. Our parish team is here to support you and your family. Reach out to us if you need help, and let's actively watch out for each other. Prayer is a powerful way to help each other too.

Fasting from Food – recently the parish leadership proposed a fast day for those who would like to do so. This was to be offered up especially for families and couples who are struggling with the lockdown. Fasting is a powerful tool for people of faith. It is a reminder of our need to be grateful to God for every good thing. The cost that fasting exacts is the sweet gift which we offer back to God. We can do this for any prayer intention we have. Why not try it again?

Deacon Monty Bamford – we joyfully celebrated the ordination to the diaconate of Monty one week ago here at the Pro-Cathedral. I know many of you watched the Mass online. Let's keep Deacon Monty in our prayers. We expect he will be ordained priest later next year.

Today we celebrate **Support Life Sunday** (formerly known as Respect Life Sunday). The theme this year is "Supporting and honouring health carers." It acknowledges the work of health carers, including family carers and health professionals, who are on the front line in supporting and protecting life.

Serving God / Serving each other – Our parish offers many different opportunities for people to participate in the life of our faith community. We need your participation in the ministries and pastoral outreach programmes which we undertake. Often when people read the preceding sentences, they don't consider this message is for them. But I am talking to you! Soon we will invite you to take on service actions. My prayer is that you will be open and generous in making your response. Watch this space!



Garage Sale - Save the Date We are holding a parish garage sale on **Saturday 30th October** in the old church at 380 Innes Road. 9.00am – 1.00pm. Mark your diaries now. If you want to volunteer to assist on the day please get in touch with the parish office.



Father Simon Eccleton
Cathedral Administrator

Masses have been offered for:

Mary Taylor, Eddie Goh (recent), Anna Goh, Margaret Arnold (anniversary), Quin Family, Special Intention (3)

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

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READINGS FOR THE DAY WISDOM 7: 7-11; HEBREWS 4: 12-13; GOSPEL: MARK 10: 17-30
PSALM RESPONSE: FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE, O LORD, AND WE WILL SING FOR JOY!

Change to the Level 2 lockdown Mass timetable

From next Saturday 16th October, there will be only two Saturday vigil Masses – 4.30pm and 5.30pm. This is due to the lack of use of the 6.30pm Mass.



Thank you for all the donations of money and food that we have received during the latest lockdown. This has assisted us to continue helping those in need in our community. Our pantry is in need of: **breakfast cereal, canned fruit, jam, peanut butter, toilet paper and rice.** You can also make monetary donations directly into our SVDP bank account 03 1700 0027831 00.

Pregnancy Choice Centre 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 the Flourish Op Shop, now open, cnr Battersea & Colombo Streets, Sydenham. Phone 351 3227; <https://www.facebook.com/flourishshop/>

The Month of the Rosary Ron Healing invites parishioners to join him for an hour in the Assisi Lounge at 7.00pm on Monday October 11th, 18th and 25th, where he will talk about the Rosary, followed by praying the Rosary together.

Parish Retreat 'Save the date' Fr John O'Connor will lead a One-day Parish Retreat, on site here at the Cathedral Parish, on **Saturday November 6th**. Mark it in your diaries now as a time for spiritual refreshment during a chaotic year.

Safeguarding Workshops 1 – One hour for Volunteers/Ministries. Tuesday **October 26th** at 1.00pm at Sacred Heart, Addington – **Lunchtime Session**; Tuesday **October 26th** at 7.00pm at Sacred Heart, Addington. **Who should attend:** Any **NEW** Volunteers in Ministries or any Volunteers who have not yet attended a Safeguard Workshop. Anyone who has been police vetted but not 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. You do not need to RSVP, just turn up and sign in. **Contact:** Clodagh Ward – Christchurch Diocese Safeguarding Officer; **Email:** cward@cdoc.nz; **Mobile:** 022 0124142.

Check out a recording of Fr Simon's week-day sermons on the Parish Facebook page.

Cathedral Parish Bank Accounts Please be advised we have now closed the former St Francis and former Cathedral Parish Bank Accounts. There are a few parishioners/school parents who continue to pay into the old accounts. We ask you to please move your donation/payment across to one of our new accounts Cathedral Parish 03 1592 0207236 20
St Francis Attendance Dues 03 1592 0207236 21
St Mary's Attendance Dues 03 1592 0207236 22
If you are unsure please contact the parish office.

A message from Deacon Monty Bamford Thank you for all your prayers and support for my Ordination to the Order of Deacons last Saturday. A video of the ordination is available on the Catholic Diocese of Christchurch YouTube channel and a selection of photos are available on the Catholic Diocese of Christchurch Facebook page. I will continue my studies and formation by distance until early November and look forward to serving in the diocese as a deacon over the summer before returning to Holy Cross Seminary for the first half of next year - **Deacon Monty Bamford.**

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Parish Men's Luncheon to be held at "**GBC**" **180 Marshlands Rd, Tuesday October 19th, 12 noon October.** Please confirm attendance by October 17th. Confirmation or any inquiries to Martin 385 9947. For your information I have been in contact with "GBC" management and they are geared up to observe COVID requirements.

Sacred Heart, Ashburton After the Government's announcement on Monday 4 October, we are able to proceed with our Reunion. If Covid rules change nearer to Labour Weekend, all those who have registered will be contacted by phone. Registrations have now closed.

Vocations The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference has endorsed the promotion of vocations. Fr Tien Cao is the Vocations Director for the Christchurch Diocese. If you have any queries or would like to talk about vocations contact Fr Tien at vocations.chch@gmail.com