



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

9 October 2022  
28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C

## Being Thankful

And somehow it is October already. This year is flying by and with so many exciting things happening in the next few months, it is going to be Christmas before we know it. Spring is in the air with the beautiful flowers in bloom and the weather is teasing us with sneaks of summer.

With the days moving so fast, it can be tricky to find the time to recognise the things we are thankful for. It is easy to look out the window in the morning to see the sunshine, blue sky and the flowering blossom and forget to acknowledge God for his wonderful creation. It can be easy to catch up with friends or family and forget to thank God for making them such a special part of our lives. It can be easy to sit down and enjoy some yummy food or a nice hot coffee and forget to be thankful that we are so blessed to have this privilege.

With the year speeding on by and not looking like it is slowing down, try to take a few moments to talk to God and be thankful for all the wonderful gifts we receive *every single day*.

In today's Gospel, we hear that Jesus gave the amazing gift of good health to ten men who were all suffering with an illness called leprosy. Lepers suffered two-fold alienation, both physical and spiritual. Because of their threat to public health, they were ostracised and made to live outside the city walls. They were forced to leave their families and loved ones to suffer this illness in isolation.

After Jesus healed these ten men, only one returned to thank Jesus for all he had done. He was not the only one to have faith, but his gratitude sets him apart from the others.

Think back to your own life, or even last year, or even yesterday. What has God done for you? When has God given you grace? When have you been offered healing? It might be on a small or large scale. These are all of importance. How were you thankful for this? How did you show gratitude?

This week, take time to notice God's graces in your life and be thankful for these.

**Cathie Hurdle**  
Pastoral Assistant



**Two Safeguarding Workshops will be held here at Manchester Street on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 10:30am in the Assisi Lounge and 7:00pm in the Narthex.** It is recommended that if you have not been to a Safeguarding Workshop in the last two years you attend this new and updated safeguarding workshop. The Cathedral Parish Safeguarding contact is Kirsten Tester, 595 1053 or email [ktester@cathedralparish.nz](mailto:ktester@cathedralparish.nz)

Due to the Requiem Mass for the late Rev Father Bryan Parish being held in the Pro-Cathedral on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 11am**; Adoration, Reconciliation and the 12:05pm Mass on Tuesday will be cancelled.

### PARISH INFORMATION

**Parish website**  
[www.catholiccathedralchch.org.nz](http://www.catholiccathedralchch.org.nz)

**SUNDAY MASS TIMES**  
Saturday Vigil 5.30pm  
Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am,  
4.30pm and 6.00pm

Te Rangimarie Centre  
11.00am (Miha Māori)

**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
Monday to Friday  
7:30am  
9:15am, 12:05pm  
Saturday 9:15am  
Public Holidays  
9:15am

**RECONCILIATION**  
Monday to Friday 11:30am  
Saturday 9:45am

**PRESBYTERY**  
03 377 5610

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**READINGS FOR THE DAY**

2 KINGS 5: 14-17; 2 TIM 2: 8-13; GOSPEL LUKE 17: 11-19

PSALM RESPONSE: THE LORD HAS REVEALED TO THE NATIONS HIS SAVING POWER.

The **Mission Sunday** collection has notably decreased over the last two years primarily due to Covid19 and the discontinuation of cheques in New Zealand. The Annual Mission Sunday appeal is held on Sunday 23rd October. Donations can be made at any time during October. Planned Givers have a special envelope to use or if you are not on PG you can put your donation into any plain envelope, write MISSION on the front and drop it into the collection plate. If you wish to donate electronically you can do so directly into the parish account 03 1592 0207236 20 using the reference Mission.



The **Mission Circle** meets on Tuesday 11 October at 1:30pm in the Assisi Lounge. An invitation is extended to all parishioners to join with us for an afternoon of fun including Housie, raffles and afternoon tea. No joining fee – just come along with a small grocery item for a 'Housie' prize, a small raffle prize and a plate for afternoon tea. Housie cards are 30c each & raffle tickets 50c. Queries to Diana 942 1705 or Gaye 960 5328.

Our monthly **Baptism Preparation Class** is held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month in the Assisi Lounge. Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm. If you are wanting Catholic baptism for your baby, please pick up a baptism form from the Narthex, complete it and get it into the office so we can register you for this class. Baptisms are held at 11:30am on the last Saturday of the month.

**Confirmation** will be celebrated next Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October at our usual 4:30pm Mass. We have 32 members of our parish community receiving this sacrament. As this Mass will be very busy with Confirmation candidates and their families you may like to consider attending one of our other Masses that day.

**The Miraculous Medal** Ron Healing invites parishioners to a talk on the Miraculous Medal. Meet in the Narthex on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm.

**Parish Men's Luncheon** will be held at "GBC" 180 Marshland Rd 12 noon Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Please confirm attendance by 16<sup>th</sup> October. Confirmation or any inquiries to Martin 385 9947

**Cathedral St Vincent de Paul** have helped **105 people** in our area this week. Our pantry is in need of tinned fruit, tea bags, instant coffee, 2-minute noodles, cakes of soap and soap powder. Donate online to the Cathedral SVDP - 03 1700 0027831 00. **If you need**



**food** either ring the SVDP welfare line 389 7484 extension 1 or text 027 358 9400. Clearly state your suburb, first name and family name, your address and your phone number.

**Diocesan Young Adults Ball** Young Adults between the ages of 18- 35 are invited to the Gonzaga Ball on the 28<sup>th</sup> October at the Canterbury Club. The evening consists of fine dining and amazing music in a stunning venue while connecting with young adults across the diocese and beyond. Tickets are available at: <https://cyt.org.nz/ball/>

**Prayer Ministry (Intercessory Prayer)** We have trained parishioners available to stand alongside you in the presence of Our Lord and support you in prayer. You can come forward seeking help through prayer as an individual, as a couple or as a family. It does not matter, as what is important, is that through prayer, we are all able to reach out to our loving Lord in a real and meaningful way with the help of the Holy Spirit. **This weekend** we have people available to pray with you **after 5:30 pm, 8am and 11am Mass and next weekend after 9:30am & 6pm Mass**. Our prayer ministry is a great ministry that brings many blessings and hope to our parishioners and our parish community.

**Pastoral Care** Our Pastoral Care Team members make contact with parishioners that are new to our parish, or have had a change of circumstance and need some extra support. They might provide support by phone or they might also visit. If you have a natural inclination to help others and would like to know more about being part of the Pastoral Care Team, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Sr Marietta on 0277740725.

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**Spirit NIGHT**  
Whisky & The Holy Spirit

**FRIDAY 21ST OCTOBER**  
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL  
INNES ROAD, MAIREHAU  
7PM - 10PM  
CONTACT: PHIL BELL 021 02914855  
phil.clare.bell@gmail.com  
OR THE PARISH OFFICE

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MEN'S TALK  
SUPPER  
FELLOWSHIP

**TICKETS \$25**

**Masses offered for:**  
Rev Father Bryan Parish, Catherine Bassett, Rolando Besas (recent); Carmeline and Snowy Fernandes (anniversaries); Thanksgiving (1)