

Anniversaries February

Alan Cameron, Daniel Taylor, Margaret Parsons, Fred Allen, Mary Butler (Molly)
Peter Robinson (Skip), Vera Lawrence
Jack Moran, Bernard Skidmore, Malcolm Wenzlick

Covid-19 Protection Framework—Red

When New Zealand goes into Red under the Traffic Light System the following requirements will be followed for our Masses

- Record keeping/scanning required.
- At gatherings, face coverings are required for workers and volunteers.
- Gatherings at a place of worship up to 100 people based on the maximum number of people who could occupy the space if each person was 1 metre apart.
- Vaccine Passes will be Required.

Notices

From Titipounamu Study & Joy— Online Sessions (Evening):

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The Holy Spirit – A Driving Force with
Kieran Fenn fms.

Mondays, 21 and 28 February, 7-
8.30pm. ZOOM. \$25/session
or \$50/series.

[https://www.studyjoy.nz/
events/the-holy-spirit-a-
driving-force-3/](https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/the-holy-spirit-a-driving-force-3/)

For more information and registration:
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**Maria Assumpta Parish in
Beach Haven, Auckland** is
celebrating its Golden Jubilee
over Labour Weekend.
22-24 October, 2022. Register
your interest and get updated
details

Mass Times

Tuesday St Joseph's @ 9am
Thursday St Patricks @ 9am
Saturday St Joseph's @ 9am
(Masses can go ahead as they are under
10 people- No vaccine pass required)
Saturday St Patricks@5.30pm (Vigil)
Sunday St Joseph's@9.30am
**Vaccine Passes required for Sunday
Masses**
Scan, wear a mask and physically distance -2m

from patlythe@gmail.com / Ph
09.4839903. We'd love to hear from you.

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Called to Be Peacemakers

Kua Karangatia
Tātou hei Kaihohou
i te Tongo

the Lent
appeal
2022

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"Blessed are the peacemakers for they will be called sons and daughters of God" Matthew 5:9

Fr Paul Kerridge (Parish Priest)

20th February, 2022

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Rātini Kupu

**20th Hui-tanguru , 2022
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Able to forgive

Jesus' message was new and shocking for the religious leaders of his day. Their law decreed "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." In other words, they were expected to strike back at those who harmed them in any way. It is in a gospel like that presented to us today that we see just how radical and revolutionary Jesus' teaching must have sounded back then. Indeed, it is still quite revolutionary in today's world, with our dog-eat-dog mentality. The process of salvation which he had come to establish would be based on forgiveness, and, therefore, to be part of, and to belong to that process must put each of us right Out there in the front line of tolerance, forgiveness, and love. Look in a mirror, reflecting on the failures and sin in your life. Take as much time as you need. You are going to ask God's forgiveness, you are going to offer amendment, to move forward from here. Jesus taught us one simple prayer, which we call the Our Father or the Lord's Prayer. It is a simple prayer, and it is quite short. One of the petitions is where we ask God to forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. We can rattle off this prayer, and fail to realise the bind in which it can place us. In the Lord's Prayer, we ask God to forgive us on one condition, which is that we will forgive others in our turn. There is a proven power in forgiveness and love. "Blessed are the meek" says Jesus, "they shall possess the earth." We are impressed by the power of forgiveness shown by characters like Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther King, and others who somehow managed to turn the other cheek. The bully cannot deal with the power of the one who won't strike back, but often resorts to violence as the only way to silence their voice of protest. To err is human, to forgive is divine. We would aim to be big-hearted, tolerant and patient.. But the ideal Jesus sets for us is, "Be merciful, just as your heavenly Father is merciful." associationofcatholicpriests.ie



Saint Vincent de Paul Update - Please support our Tongan Tsunami Appeal - St Vincent de Paul is fund-raising nationwide to purchase 15 specific items requested by the SVDP Society in Tonga. Donations may be deposited in the SVDP Bank Account 03 0642 0802638 00 Reference Tonga Appeal. SVDP shop will also supply Material aid which will be transported by Conroy's to the 'Vinnies Hub' Onehunga Auckland for shipping in a container to Tonga.



Catholic Archbishop Paul Martin, the current Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Christchurch, accepts that survivors want the church to take responsibility for historical abuse cases and not just leave it to the particular order involved. He made the comment at the Royal Commission into Abuse in Care inquiry investigating historical abuse by the St John of God Order at Marylands School in Christchurch between 1955 and 1984. Martin said what was supposed to be a good place for people became a burden for the Church – but nothing like the burden for the victims. “I want to apologise and I want to convey the deep sadness that I feel and I know our Catholic people do as well, because this was an institution that was supported by the community ... and was not actually doing what it should be doing. It is a cause of deep shame and sorrow”. “We don’t have these institutions anymore. We do take it very seriously and do want to try to be better now and into the future” he said. “When a religious order like St John of God works in a diocese it is done with

a bishop’s permission. However, lines of control can become blurred. Martin said it was at the bishop’s instigation that the St John of God brothers were brought to Christchurch to care for young people. He believed he was setting up something that would meet the boys’ needs. He explained bishops cannot be closely involved in everything in their diocese. Religious orders take up some of this burden and this was understood by all parties to be the arrangement with St John. “It was the handing over in good faith and good belief that they would do what they said they would do. As it turns out that wasn’t the case.” Commission chair Coral Shaw asked Martin if it was ever right to cover up the abuse and ignore it. He replied no. Shaw also asked him if it was always the responsibility of the bishop and every other religious person who knew about abuse to do something. He answered yes. Brothers at Marylands who offended against children should have been removed immediately, he agreed. “I think that was the culture of the time and it was wrong and we have the results and the fruits of that and what a terrible legacy for us to carry as a church, as a society”. He confirmed to Shaw that the Catholic Church is prepared to take responsibility for the healing and redress for survivors. “...This is why we asked to be part of this (the Royal Commission process) and we knew that in doing that we were coming with all our history and our past, so as a bishop and one for the future, I am saying yes.” *cathnews.co.nz*



An Invitation to Pray for our Parish
On the first Friday of each month, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St Joseph’s Church from 10am to 3pm. The intentions are for all the needs of our Holy Trinity Parish family. You are invited to come along during this time and to pray for one hour before the most Blessed Sacrament.

St John’s College

The last two weeks have been very busy at SJC with the welcoming of our new staff and Y9 students happening on the first day back to the commissioning mass held for our prefects and new ministers of the Eucharist held last Thursday. This is in addition to all the start of the year busyness that comes with students settling in, confirming course, etc. Summer sport has started with cricket matches for junior and senior teams on the go, basketball and canoe polo. School masses and general meetings have been complicated by the Red light Covid settings which saw us have our commissioning mass at school, outside, with sadly no parents in attendance (yet again). We are however thankful that we were able to start our year as a St John’s College community with mass. Thanks to Fr Trung for his support of our College and his continued involvement with our young men.

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women invite all women to an afternoon of celebration, reconnecting with Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, and with each other in a safe, gentle and welcoming community of Christian love. As we begin this new year, we especially

invite any woman who is looking to deepen her personal relationship with Jesus, grow her faith, and experience new friendships, to give Dove Fellowship a go. Our first meeting will be at St Mary’s Centre, February 26th, 2-4pm. Vaccine passes will be required.

“Lenten Giving Envelope Packs are in the foyer of the church. You can either use the weekly donation envelopes or use a single donation envelope. You may either return your donation envelopes during the parish offertory collection or send them to Caritas directly. A freepost envelope is available for this option. **NZ Post specifies that cash must not be sent through the post.** Donations received by Caritas in these envelopes by 31 March 2022 will be sent receipts for the 2021/2022 tax year. Donations received by Caritas after April 1st will be sent receipts for the 2022/2023 tax year. Thank you for your generous support.”

The annual Lent appeal is run by Caritas on behalf of the New Zealand Catholic Bishops. Funds raised enable Caritas to:



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