

Anniversaries in October

Elaine O'Dowd, Fay Field, Gerard Minehan
Joan Brown, John (Ian) Duthie, Leonard Myers
Norris Durham, Maurice Reidy, Marion Brown (Twiggy)

Invitation to the Priest Jubilee

Mass | 11 October 2022 All parishioners are warmly invited to the Mass to celebrate the Jubilees of Priestly Ordination. The Jubilee Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 11 October at 12.05 pm in the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. The presider will be Cardinal John Dew. The priests celebrating Jubilees this year are Fr. Joe O'Sullivan (65 years), Fr. Dominic Heslin (60 years), Fr. Paul Kerridge (60 years), Fr. Joe Grayland (30 years), Fr. Anthony Zaw Htun (20 years), Fr. Simon Storey (20 years).

Diocese of Christchurch - The Catholic Shop is now online! The Catholic Diocese of Christchurch is delighted to announce the launch of our new online store – now you can shop anytime you like from our range of Church supplies, candles, books, Bibles, missals, crosses and crucifixes, holy cards, greeting cards, jewellery, statues, medals, gifts and more! Visit www.thecatholicshop.nz anytime.

Diocese of Hamilton - Silent Retreat Peace that the world cannot give: Silent retreat January 16th – 19th 2023 in Hamilton. Run by the NZ Community for Christian Meditation. Learn the art of silent prayer & uncover the wellspring of peace in your heart. For more information visit <https://christianmeditationnz.org.nz>, email retreat@christianmeditationnz.org.nz or contact Linda Polaschek, 020 479 7955

Ablaze Parish Renewal Conference-

After a pandemic-enforced gap, the Diocese of Christchurch is holding another of its excellent Ablaze Parish Renewal Conferences on November 4 and 5. "With the appointment of Bishop Michael Gielen as our new Bishop, it is a great opportunity to gather with him at Ablaze 2022 as we continue to build on our journey of parish renewal and our call to mission and faith in Christ," says the publicity for this event. The Ablaze website with regis-

Mass Times

Tuesday St Joseph's @ 9am
Thursday St Patrick's @ 9am
Saturday St Joseph's @ 9am
Sunday Masses
Saturday St Patrick's @ 5.30pm
Sunday St Joseph's @ 9.30am

tration details is here: <https://chcatholic.nz/ablaze/> A statement about the conference is online here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/mediareleases/ablaz>

Contents for October WelCom include:

Ordination to the priesthood of Fr Alfred Tong of the Archdiocese of Wellington. NZ Catholic bishops pay tributes to the late HM Queen Elizabeth II. Support Life Sunday, 9 October. NZ Catholic bishops' new guidelines for the country's 235 Catholic schools to support young people with regard to sexual diversity. Cardinal John Dew reflects on the Curia after his August meeting with cardinals in Rome. Feature about the reality of life today in Afghanistan a year on since the fall of Kabul. Hikoī Whakapono – Journey of Faith, The Catholic Parish of Otari, Wellington. October: month of the Rosary; and Mission month.



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Fr Paul Kerridge (Parish Priest)

9th October, 2022

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Rātini Kupu

9th Whiringa-ā-nuku 2022 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Pope Francis reflecting on seeking psychoanalysis for himself at a challenging time in his life: "The treatment with the psychiatrist also helped me to locate myself and learn to manage my anxiety and avoid being rushed when making decisions. The decision making process is always complex. And the advice and observations that she gave me was very helpful. ... Her teachings are still very useful to me today."

SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY 2022

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"We are called to re-member the Body of Christ by making mental health a key priority, acknowledging people living with mental ill-health as 'us' and not 'them'."

ACRC Social Justice Statement, P.8

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"... the real cost of mental illness is far more than economic. It is felt in the stigma and discrimination experienced by the most vulnerable – being labelled, shunned, denied support, or not even being recognised. This denies a person's human dignity and their right to live life to the full."

ACRC Social Justice Statement, P.7

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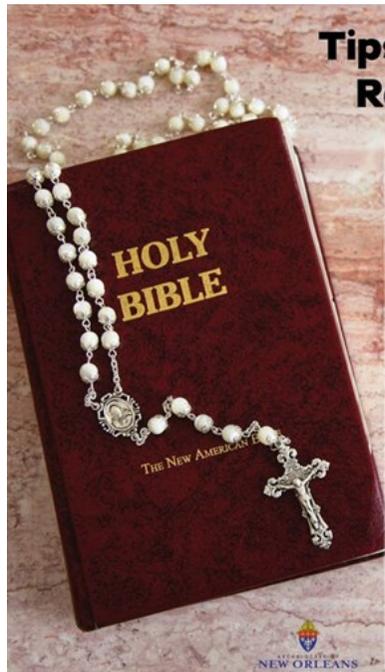
"Whoever suffers from mental illness 'always' bears God's image and likeness in themselves, as does every human being. In addition, they 'always' have the inalienable right not only to be considered as an image of God and therefore as a person, but also to be treated as such". *John Paul II 1996*

Grateful for what we have received

A friend was once rushed to hospital with a serious pain in his back, the result of an old football injury. He was successfully operated and made a rapid recovery. After his cure, he could hardly say enough in praise of his surgeon, the nurses and the whole hospital. Never again did he complain about our health services. It is normal to feel grateful to those who took good care of us. We have a new joy in living and thank God for being spared the other ailments we saw around us while in hospital. My friend even dropped his guard, to say a prayer of thanks. But the real test of gratitude comes later when the relief has worn off. Do we remember then what people did for us? Do we still say thanks to God, who saved our life? Earlier generations used to say "Thank God" after remarking about fine weather, success in business or at school, the safe arrival of a child, or a recovery from illness. It's a good custom, built on a tradition of faith and prayer. We might wonder whether a people truly grateful to God would not show it more in their way of life. A grateful people might be more ready to share what they have. They would hardly be totally fixated on private property, while so many are unemployed and the politics of austerity threatens the welfare of the elderly and the chronically ill. How satisfying it is to receive a sincere "Thank you" for a service truly appreciated. We might even be embarrassed by the warmth of another's thanks for something that didn't cost us much sacrifice; but there's still a warmth in being thanked for things we've done. The contrary also holds, of course: how hurtful it is to be consistently taken for granted, without ever a

word of appreciation. One out of ten was a fairly poor proportion; but then, truly appreciative people, willing to make sacrifice to show their thanks, are rare enough. After Mass, we need to bring this thankful spirit into practical social expression in our treatment of others; seeing our life as gift, we should be better able to accept the realities of daily living and share our blessings with others in a generous spirit. *Association-ofcatholicpriests.ie*

It is time to renew your planned giving and with the phase out of cheques this makes giving with cash and therefore the use of envelopes quite difficult. We have envelopes for the upcoming year and if you would like to receive some please let me know. For our regular envelope users these will be in the foyer for pick up this week. For those who may want to give using internet banking the account number for **the Holy Trinity Parish is 02-0630-0288045-013**



Tips to Pray the Rosary Daily

1. Carry a rosary in your pocket.
2. Say it while you wait (for example at a bus stop).
3. Recite the rosary while doing chores or while you work out.
4. Use images and music. The rosary is a contemplative prayer.
5. If you are upset, pray for the situation that worries you.
6. Pray while you walk and think of the people in your life.
7. Use each mystery to ask for a specific intention.
8. If you can't pray the whole Rosary at once, break it into parts.
9. Say it in moments of sadness or spiritual drought.
10. Fall asleep praying the Rosary.

NEW ORLEANS

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.

As I stood in a crowded bus, a passenger boarded and was offered a seat by a younger person. It was clearly the end of a long day for her, as she slumped into the seat and placed a crutch to one side. She began talking to another passenger in a way that said they knew each other. As the conversation went on, it became obvious that it was mostly one-sided, with just a nod of the head from the string of passengers she spoke to. The conversations were in a foreign language, but a few choice expletives matched with hand gestures and tone, implied that the content was more than idle conversation about the weather. As the bus began to empty, I felt a sense of relief when my stop arrived, because I had managed to avoid an awkward interaction with this gregarious person. Have you ever had that experience where you were suddenly aware of that one person who didn't fit in and whom everyone was passively (or actively) trying to avoid? This has happened to me in public setting, church gatherings, school parent groups and social events. It's a special type of person who rises above their own feelings of discomfort to consider the needs of the stranger, the unfamiliar, the alien within our midst. Yet, this is at the core of what it means to be a Christian. The gospels are full of examples of Jesus compelling his disciples to gravitate to the lost, the least and the lonely. The next day, I was walking to the shops in a densely populated area and as I made my way across a pedestrian crossing, I walked straight past her again. Firstly, it was surprising to bump into this person in such a large and unfamiliar city and secondly, because as she crossed the road, I realised her crutch was actually a walking

Holy Communion

First Holy Communion dates are 30 October, 6 and 13 November. Parents and children will be expected to attend the sessions together as well as attending Mass. If your child has not been baptised we can arrange with Fr Paul to help them prepare during school time for their Baptism. If you would like more information, please contact Fr Paul, Sue Cullen or Donna at the Parish office.

stick for vision impairment. My impression was completely changed as I watched her pass by, cautiously tapping the ground on her way to the hospital. I felt like I was being given a second chance to take a deeper look at the dignity of this person, created in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:27). Is it possible to feel like a stranger within our own families? A major challenge of raising our family has been the acceptance and appreciation of the unique personalities, needs and desires of each of our children. One size does not fit all in our household, and this goes for us as parents too. The celebration and honouring of this diversity takes place when we pay attention to the little clues that our children offer us. On many occasions, what I've initially assumed to be a crutch (bad behaviour) has turned out to be a walking stick (cry for help) from my child. A deeper, loving look was required. Pope Francis invites us to consider how Jesus gazes upon us. How does Jesus look at me? With a call? With forgiveness? With a mission? He always looks at us with love, asks us for something, forgives us for something and gives us a mission. It is enough to place ourselves under the gaze of God, to remember His fatherly love and let ourselves be gazed upon by Our Lady. When she gazes upon us, she does not see sinners but children. What is God trying to reveal to you today? Does someone in your life need a second loving look? What does Jesus see as He gazes upon you? Copyright 2022 Nathan Ahearne