

## CATHEDRAL OF ST PATRICK & ST JOSEPH SUNDAY MASSES

8 am, 11 am, 4.30 pm, 7 pm

Children's Liturgy at 8 am, 11 am & 4.30 pm  
Tertiary Mass third Sunday of the month 7 pm.

Diocesan Youth Masses last Sunday  
of the month 7 pm.

### WEEKDAYS AT THE CATHEDRAL

Mass Monday-Friday: 7.00 am & 12.15 pm

Saturdays & Public Holidays: 8.30 am

Rosary to follow.

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### DIOCESAN YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

[www.akyouth.org.nz](http://www.akyouth.org.nz)

[www.facebook.com/akcym](http://www.facebook.com/akcym)

Contact Teresa, Rochelle or Joey

youthmin@cda.org.nz or 021 649 012

## St Patrick's Square

Please note that the Square is owned by Auckland Council and NOT the Church.

It is designated a *pedestrian mall* and parking is not permitted.

Cars parked illegally can be fined or towed by city parking wardens.

**Spaces on either side of the Cathedral doors must be kept clear for the disabled.**

**\$4 SUNDAY MASS PARKING** is available at **WILSON CAR PARK HOBSON ST**  
(old Farmers) and **\$2 SUNDAY MASS PARKING** is available at **WILSON CAR PARK  
DURHAM LANE.** Your ticket must be validated in the Cathedral before returning to Wilson's. The  
validator is at the left as you enter the main doors of the Cathedral. As soon as the light turns RED  
withdraw your card! When you return to Wilson's go to the payment machine.

It helps to have **TWO DOLLAR COINS** ready for payment to exit.

**TOILETS** : Liston Hall toilets open 30 minutes before and after Cathedral services only.

## ST BENEDICT'S, NEWTON

1 St Benedict's Street (off Upper Queen St)

Parish Priest ~ Monsignor Paul Farmer

Secretary ~ Catherine van Veen

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**Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil 6 pm**

**Sunday 9.30am** (with children's liturgy) & **5.30pm**

**Mass in Spanish:** 12 pm 2nd & 4th Sundays  
of the month.

**Mass in Tongan:** 12 pm 3rd Sunday of the month.

**Mass in Indonesian:** 12 pm 4th Sunday of the month.

### WEEKDAYS AT ST BENEDICT'S

Monday: 12.10pm Liturgy of the Word

with Holy Communion

Mass: Monday-Friday 7am & Tuesday- Friday 12.10pm

## ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, PARNELL

244 Parnell Rd

Parish Priest: Fr Chris Denham ~ Presbytery 300 6372

Parish Secretary Felina Soldevilla

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**Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil 5pm**

**& Sunday 7am & 9.30am**

Monday to Friday 12.10 pm.

Saturdays & Public holidays 9 am.

## ST PETER'S, WAIHEKE ISLAND

**Sunday Masses ~Saturday Vigil:**

**5 pm, Sunday 9.15am**

Liaison ~ Christine 09 372 3581

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Patrick's Cathedral ~ Weekdays

11.30 am - 12.10 pm (except Public Holidays)

St Benedict's ~ Saturday 5.00 pm - 5.45 pm

St John's Parnell ~ Saturday 9.30am

## CATHOLIC STUDENT CHAPLAINCY

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St Vincent de Paul & Foodbank: Tel 815 6122

The Square Gift Shop : Tel 365 1693

## AUCKLAND INNER CITY PASTORAL AREA



ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

244 PARNELL RD

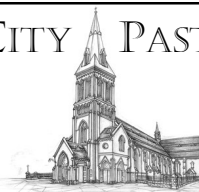
PARNELL, AUCKLAND



ST BENEDICT'S

1 ST BENEDICT'S ST

NEWTON, AUCKLAND



CATHEDRAL OF

ST PATRICK & ST JOSEPH

43 WYNDHAM ST, AUCKLAND



ST PETER'S

OCEAN VIEW RD

WAIHEKE ISLAND

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ 9 DECEMBER 2018

The first reading from the prophet Baruch speaks of the labour of Love; "For God will show all the earth your splendour." Though stripped of grandeur, Israel will be led by God in joy. Even in their terrible loss, God will shower them with glory, mercy, and justice.

Writing from prison, Paul's letter to the Philippians in the second reading is also filled with promise and with high hopes and comforting words. Paul is convinced after a great work has been started in the community that it will be carried out to completion. He is filled with love for them: "God knows how much I long for each of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. My prayer is that your love may more abound, both in understanding and wealth of experience, so that with a clear conscience and blameless conduct you may learn to value the things that really matter up to the very day of Christ."

In our gospel, Evangelist Luke is about to unfold the story about Jesus Christ with the accompanying story of John the Baptist. For two reasons, their stories will be different from the tales of many gods and goddesses of Greece and Rome and Babylon.

First, Jesus was a real historical person. He was a man, not a woman. He lived in a particular place and at a particular moment in history. The time and places in which he lived were well within the records of written history.

He spoke a particular language, called Aramaic and knew Hebrew for he read the Scripture publicly in the synagogue and had some colloquial Greek, the lingua franca of the Eastern Mediterranean. John the Baptist was equally an historical figure who was chosen to announce the coming of Jesus: the Messiah, the Christ, the Saviour-Servant- King.

Second, the Evangelist noted that names of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate, Herod, Philip, Lysanias, Annas and Caiaphas, indicating that

the stories of Jesus and John the Baptist happened during the ruling time of these men whose names bode more doom than deliverance. These men were the mighty and the dangerous, the important and the awesome. Yet hidden in the records of their dominion, a single voice was raised to preach repentance and forgiveness. John the Baptist, mindful of Isaiah's promise that all shall see the salvation of God, grasped that the time was ripe. Here was this hidden man, John, a voice in the wilderness of time, who was given God's word. "Make ready the way of the Lord."

Our readings this second Sunday of Advent may as well speak to us of paradoxical affirmation of hope despite almost impossible odds. It invites us to hope and despite every sinking feeling in our hearts about the world—to hope against hope that "all flesh shall see God's salvation." This is what Advent waiting means—to believe that God will, against every odd, complete his work of salvation not only in us, but also through us.

Thus, as we continue to enter more deeply into this season of Advent, let us not give up waiting and keep hoping that God in time, in His own time, will show us His salvation.

**Blessings Fr Sherwin Lapaan**



## The Cathedral Christmas Fair

Last weekend's Fair was blessed with fine weather and a good turnout from parishioners and the public. Just over \$12,000 was raised to support the ongoing work of the Parish.

A huge vote of thanks to the hard working organising Committee and the many benefactors and volunteers who worked to make a successful two day Fair for the Parish.

### Liturgy of the Word

- ~ **Baruch 5:1-9** Jerusalem is told to forget the sufferings of the past because God is going to bring back her exiled children to her.
- ~ **Psalm 126** The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.
- ~ **Philippians 1:3-6.8-11** Paul urges his fellow Christians to prepare for the second coming of Christ by pure and blameless lives.
- ~ **Luke 3:1-6** John the Baptist urges the people to prepare a way for the Lord through repentance.

**Next Week's Readings Micah 5:1-4; Hebrews 10:5-10; Psalm Isaiah 12 ; Gospel Luke 1:39-45**

For Sunday and weekday readings see: [mobilegabriel.com](http://mobilegabriel.com) AND [www.livingtheword.org.nz](http://www.livingtheword.org.nz)

### THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

**Adoration**—11 am—12 pm Monday to Friday.

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation**—is available Monday to Friday 11.30 am-12.10 pm.

**Centring Prayer-Meditation/Contemplation**  
Tuesday 5.30 pm—6.30 pm in St Peter Chanel Chapel in the Cathedral. All welcome.

**Charismatic Prayer Group Meeting** - Wednesday from 6 pm—7pm in the St Peter Chanel Chapel.

**Friday Rosary**—has finished for 2018. They will resume Friday 25 January 2019.

**Marian Movement of Priests**—with Fr George 6.30--7.30 pm Friday in the St Peter Chanel Chapel

**RCIA**— Programme for people interested in becoming Catholic. For further information, email [anita@stpatricks.org.nz](mailto:anita@stpatricks.org.nz) or phone 303-4509.

#### Ministries Over Christmas

Rostered Eucharist ministers, Ushers and Greeters: as you make your plans for the upcoming season, please check the roster in the Sacristy and choose which Masses you would like to serve at Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Eve. We also welcome new ministers to join us. Please contact Anita at 303-4509 x211 or [anita@stpatricks.org.nz](mailto:anita@stpatricks.org.nz) or pick up a yellow form in the foyer.

**Children's Nativity Play**—First Rehearsal today 9th December in Liston Hall, starting 1pm. Looking forward to seeing everyone! Bring a snack and drink bottle. Parent help also welcome. Contact Anita [anita@stpatricks.org.nz](mailto:anita@stpatricks.org.nz).

#### Children's Sacramental Programme 2019

Enrolments are open for children preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation: Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist. Enrolment forms are in the foyer of the Cathedral.

For more information contact Anita [anita@stpatricks.org.nz](mailto:anita@stpatricks.org.nz) or 303-4509 x211

**NZ Catholic Newspaper** - the latest edition is available in the Church foyer. \$4 a copy.

### Christmas at the Cathedral

#### Christmas Eve Masses Monday 24th December

8.30 am Mass ONLY.

5 pm - Children's Vigil Mass  
(*Children are encouraged to come dressed as angels or shepherds*).

8 pm ~Vigil Mass

11pm ~ Service of Readings & Carols followed by Mass at Midnight 12 am.  
Be early to get a seat!

#### Christmas Day Tuesday 25th December 8am, 11am & 4.30 pm (NO 7pm Mass)

Wednesday 26 December  
The Feast of St Stephen Mass 8.30 am only

Thursday 27 December to Saturday 29 December Mass is at 8.30 am only.

Sunday 30 December  
Masses: 8am, 11am, 4.30pm & 7pm

New Year's Eve Masses  
Monday 31st December ~ 8.30 am  
11pm New Year Vigil Mass - for the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

New Year's Day Mass  
Tuesday 1st January 2019 ~ Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - 8.30am only.

Wednesday 2nd January to Saturday 5 January 2019 Mass is at 8.30 am only.

7 to 18 January ~ 12.15 pm weekday Masses only. 7am weekday Masses resume Monday, 21 January 2019.

**Cathedral Office Hours for the Holidays**  
The Office closes 1 pm 21 December 2018 and re opens 14 January 2019.

**Family Faith The Diocese**—has a number of ideas and resources concerning advent for families at <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/re/family-faith/learn-together/advent/>



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Tax deductible receipts are automatically sent to your email address.

Your weekly gifts enable liturgy, worship and the care of our priests. Thank you!

#### Fundraising Movie Night for the Cathedral

Movie night on TOMORROW December 10 at 6.15 pm. "Second Act" with Jennifer Lopez.  
This is a chance to get together with friends to enjoy a new release movie and wine for only \$20 per ticket. Tickets can be bought after each Mass or from The Square Gift Store or on Push pay. Flyers with all the details will be at the back of the church or go to our Facebook page. Be in quick as there are limited numbers of tickets.

**Simbang Gabi**—9 days of Novena Masses for Christmas at the Cathedral from 15th to 23rd December at **7.30 pm** and Sunday 16th & 23rd at **7 pm** Mass. All are welcome.

#### Rite II Reconciliation Services for Advent

In preparation for Christmas we encourage you to participate in this sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Tuesday 11 December 7.30pm**-at the Cathedral.

**Thursday 13 December, 7.30 pm**

- at St Benedict's, Newton.

**Labour of Love** - is the Cathedral spring cleaning group. Join us this Saturday 15th of December from 11am-4pm to clean and polish our Cathedral for Christmas. All materials supplied. Email Dori on [dorianda@gmail.com](mailto:dorianda@gmail.com) or text 021 064 3447 to confirm.

#### FEED A FAMILY CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2018

"Feed a Family" is an appeal by the Society of St Vincent de Paul, Kingsland Centre, to support families who are struggling to put food on the table during the Christmas Season. It is an opportunity for you to connect with a family, and really make a difference. Staff and members of SVDPAK are at Mass today to tell us more. See the noticeboard and our Face book page for information on how you can help. You can donate through Internet Banking to Society of St Vincent de Paul Auckland. • ASB Bank 12-3017-0500224-00 Reference Fields: Your name and the words "FeedAFamily". Or visit [svdpak.org.nz](http://svdpak.org.nz) and press donate button. For a Tax Receipts available email [auckland@stvincies.co.nz](mailto:auckland@stvincies.co.nz) with your details.



#### YOUNG ADULTS

**Outreach for people 18-30s** - For more information contact Rochelle on 022 309 2022.

*Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially:*

Sonya Bennett, Brendan McFadden, Christopher Browne, Fatima Enari, Benny Clynes, Palma Doyle, Rosily Chacko, Louise Chesbrough, Tom Keane, Bronwyn Ryan, Mary Zanzottera, Nicholas James, AS, Maree C, Teofilo Damasco, Pamela Vincent, Judy Hana, Roy Carroll, Luigi Rocca, Shane McGruddy, Michelle Bergin, Anne Telles, Jon Manson, J.Harrington, Ivy Hi, Frank Van Nieuwerk, Rosa Santos, John Kainuku, Noeline Levick, Ben Hunt, M Lima, Rodolfo Paragas, Jane Ireland, Linda Mole, Emy Calma, Marie Mole, Maria Martho, Serena Coughy, Bunty Hart, Jin Shu Qin, Ellie Blackwell, Jill Hoppood-Luypers, Rosita Galarg, Teana Jones, Thilsi Vern, Joy Agon, TGAK, Baby Uji, Lydia Sharpe, Martin Harriman, Virgilia Velasquez, Wilfred Mansoor, BC, Msgr Brian Arahill, Ann Mary Gordon, Sheila Birnie, Adelaida Sison, Neira, Phil Wilkinson, Brenda McDonald, Baden McPherson, Barry Spooner, Peggy Bell-Booth, Shannon Kavanagh, John & Gloria Gillespie.

*We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time . . .*

Abbey Russel, Yasmin Ryan, T.F.P. Hanrahan, Peter Jay Seto Ma, Jude Fenandes, Rose Nebrao, Catherine Clarke, Irene Roca, Geoffrey Phillips, Isaura Sodder, James Ropata, BJ, Elizabeth Daly, Geb Aranas, Richard Petricevich, Rebecca Dizon Castro, Patricia Perkins, Maria Baek, Joachim Kim, Barry O'Meagher, Ong Hua, Grant Dunn, Jimmy Maninang, Rachel Fox, Bonnie Malpas, Lou McElwee, Mollie Coleman, Irene Pereira, Stoyanka Genora, Kieran Hegarty, Francie O'Sullivan, Alicia Artunduaga, Doris Myers, John Shea, Melwy Castelino, Joan Gravatt, Karen Ward, Andrew Carucan, Joan Coleman, Case Bakker, Rodrigo Fernando, Mary Mullally, Domingos Jose, Betty White, Joan Joseph, Catherine Petry, Bishop Jean Baptiste Pompallier, Jean Epalle SM, John Harriman, Delphine Victor Moreau SM, Ronald Terry, Francis Terry, Rosita Uy Lim, Margaret Cheyne, Sin Lin Dale Chong, Marie Thomson, Don Thompson . . . *Eternal rest grant to them.*