

**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 Mass 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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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 may 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

Tel 379 0624 stbenedicts@xtra.co.nz

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
Tuesday- Friday 12.10pm

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, PARNELL

244 Parnell Rd

Parish Priest ~ Fr Chris Denham

Presbytery 300 6372

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 9.15 am

Liaison ~ Christine 09 372 3581

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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 9.30 am

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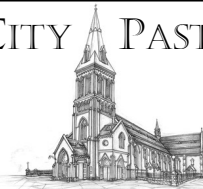
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244 PARNELL ROAD
PARNELL, AUCKLAND



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TWENTY~FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME ~ 25 AUGUST 2019

The question Jesus is asked in today's Gospel, is one which many people would not doubt like answered. "Will many be saved, or only a few?" Is heaven just for an elite few, or does almost everyone get in? Some people's optimistic thought is that everybody except a few very evil people, like Hitler, will be there. Others, hearing some of Jesus's harsher statements about the commitment needed, worry that almost no one will get in.

So there seems to be a lot of interest in the question. And yet, Jesus doesn't answer it! In effect, he tells us that it's none of our business. Because the way the question is asked is, as so often, about others. Are that bunch over there going to be saved?

Whereas the subject we should be paying attention to is ourselves. So Jesus tells the questioner to focus on their own call to enter the gates of the kingdom. Jesus makes it very clear that it is possible to fail, and that if we spend our time saying this one or that won't get in, we may end up looking at them from the outside.

But it isn't just a reminder of our own need to respond to the Lord's call that Jesus points out. He also uses it as an opportunity to confirm something that the prophet Isaiah proclaims in the first reading. There is no people, no subset of humanity which is excluded from the possibility of salvation.

Just as no one is guaranteed a place in heaven, because of their birth, or race, or even that they ate and drank with the Lord, so also no people are beyond the reach of God's grace and mercy.

It's always tempting to speculate about others. Even St Peter did it: "What about him?",

speaking of St John. But the Lord's response is always the one St Peter got. "What is that to you? You, follow me." There are many things that can distract us from following the Lord. There are all sorts of difficulties and problems. But the greatest distractions are often the ones we create ourselves. And Jesus makes clear that trying to determine the fate of others is one of them.

Although there is quite a bit of severity in Jesus's response, the sort of chastisement we hear of in our second reading, it is also a message of great hope. Everyone can hope for the kingdom to be theirs. No one is automatically excluded. For each of us there is the call to follow the Lord on a way which, we know, passes through the narrow gate into joy. And with God's grace, all of us can.

Blessings~Fr Chris Denham
St John the Baptist
Parnell



Cathedral Pasifika Dinner-Dance

You're invited! Join us for an evening of dinner & dancing - celebrating contributions of Pasifika culture. Bring family and friends.

21 September 2019, 7-11pm,

89 Galway St, Onehunga.

Tickets \$50 includes food & entertainment.

Available for purchase at eventbrite.com.

Tickets not required for children under 13 years old.



Liturgy of the Word

~ **Isaiah 66:18-21** Gentiles will be converted and receive a share of Israel's blessings.

~ **Psalms 116** Go out to all the world, and tell the Good News.

~ **Hebrews 12:5-7.11-13** As a father shows his concern for his son by training him in discipline, so God trains his children through suffering.

~ **Gospel Luke 13:22-30** The Kingdom of God is offered, not just to the Jews, but to people from the four corners of the world.

Next Week's readings: Sirach 3:17-20.28-29; Psalm 67; Hebrews 12:18-19.22-24; Gospel: Luke 14:1.7-14

For Sunday and weekday readings see: mobilegabriel.com AND www.livingtheword.org.nz

This week at the Cathedral

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday at 7 am & 12.15 pm

Adoration—Monday to Friday 11 am-12 pm.

Reconciliation—Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 11.30 am to 12.10 pm in the St Peter Chanel Chapel.

Please note that there is **NO Reconciliation** on Tuesday 27 August.

Monday Bible Reflection—Mondays 6.30pm in Liston Hall. All welcome.

Centring Prayer-Meditation/Contemplation

Tuesday 5.30 pm—6.30 pm in St Peter Chanel Chapel in the Cathedral. All welcome.

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Charismatic Prayer Meeting—Wednesdays at 6pm in the St Peter Chanel Chapel.

Friday Rosary

5.15 pm in the St Peter Chanel Chapel.

Marian Movement of Priests—with Fr George Friday 6:30pm in the St Peter Chanel Chapel.

RCIA Programme—for adults considering becoming Catholic has resumed.

For further information contact Anita at anita@stpatricks.org.nz or 303-4509 x211.

Children's Liturgy Helpers & Leaders needed

Children's Liturgy is held during 8am, 11am & 4.30pm Sunday Mass. All children welcome.

If you would like to be a leader or helper, please contact Anita 303-4509x211 or anita@stpatricks.org.nz.

The NZ Government is proposing to radically liberalise the law regarding abortion.

Currently the law allows for abortions under certain medical circumstances to preserve the physical or mental health of the mother. The new bill, if passed, would allow unrestricted abortion on demand for the first 20 weeks of pregnancy. After this point, it would still be very easy for someone to obtain an abortion right up to when the unborn child is fully born, should she want one.

When the Abortion Legislation Bill was given its first reading on 8 August, a majority of MPs voted in its favour, including many who did so in the hope that the bill can be improved to include better safeguards. The bill has now been sent to a Select Committee and public submissions have been called for – which is where we come in.

Today you are invited to make a submission to this Commission.

Please note that there should be one submission per person.

It is easy to complete. Firstly, fill in your details on the printed side of your form. Then use the blank side of the form to write a statement opposing the new bill followed by one reason that makes sense to you.

There are plenty of suggestions for both statements and reasons on the other sheet of paper provided – so you will be writing one sentence from the top part of this sheet followed by one sentence from the lower part. Together these will make a clear submission against the proposed law. Of course you are also free to add your own comments but it may not be wise to base your opposition to the bill on religious arguments as this is a secular, political process we are taking part in.

Before you hand in your submission form to one of our helpers, please check that you have filled in both sides of the paper, otherwise it will not count. Thank you for doing this on behalf of our precious unborn New Zealanders and their mothers.



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St Leo's Catholic School, Devonport—is a small Catholic school a short ferry ride from the city centre. The school prides themselves on being friendly and family orientated. They welcome all primary aged pupils. After school care is available and they may be able to arrange to have an adult accompany your children to and from the Auckland ferry terminal. For further information phone 4459339 or email Maureen Harris at principal@stleos.school.nz.

Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass

Friday 6th September at 7 pm.

St Mary's Church, 20 Kitemui Ave, Mt Albert. All welcome.

Birthday Celebrations of our Blessed Mother

Mary through Novena, Rosary and Mass

from 29th August to 8th September at 6.30pm.

St Mary's Parish, 2134 Great North Road, Avondale and join the pilgrimage. For more details please call Cynthia on 813 2101 or Helen 834 7798 or see the Cathedral noticeboard.

NZ Catholic Newspaper

Available in the main foyer for \$4 per copy.

Mass at the PEACE PLACE - Saturdays 8 am

22 Emily Pl, Auckland CBD.

ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Diocesan Youth Mass Tonight

Sunday, 25 August, 7pm at the Cathedral. Hosted by the East region.

New Life Teen youth group session at the Cathedral

Our next session is a social event called *Running Blind* on Sunday, 1 September, 4.30pm at Liston Hall. Parishioners please do pass the word on to your children, nieces, nephews and all those between ages 13-18 years.

There will be games and afternoon tea. More information on the Facebook event.

And check out the photos from the last Life Teen session on the Cathedral Facebook page.

The Life Teen Aotearoa Camp 2020.

- At Forest Lakes, Otaki and for teens and parish leaders a chance to encounter God, deepen their faith and build a stronger parish community. For the first time ever, the camp will be extended over 2 WEEKS to accommodate the growing numbers.

Week one: 14-18 January 2020

Week two: 20-24 January 2020

For more information about the camp and to register visit <https://lifeteen.nz/>.

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

Baby Emery, Peter Gheradi, Sue Wynne Davis, Michael Wong, Sepi Fe'ao, Chris Dwyer, Patricia Wright, Maurice Robinson, Alana North, Bonifacio Sanches, Michael Swann, Alice Swann, Kirei Tua, Gavin Alexander, Yuliang Liu, MF, Patricia Deveraux, Mahuika Anderson, Angus Macleod, M Lima, Leonie Lawson, Fatima Enari, Andy & Trish Goodwin, Louise Chesbrough, Ivy Hi, Mary Bratton, Michael Lyall, Julie Nicholls, Joy Agon, Chonusi William, Eric & Rachel Smith, Francisco Billinilanz, Benny Clynes, Baby Uji, Tom Keane, Linda Mole, Lynn Barnett Welsh, Brendan McFadden, Christopher Browne, Barry Spooner, Rosily Chacko, Bronwyn Ryan, Nicholas James, AS, Maree C, Judy Hanna, Pamela Vincent, Neira, Roy Carroll, Luigi Rocca, Shane McGruddy, Michelle Bergin, Anne Telles, Jon Manson, J. Harrington, Emy Calma, Rodolfo Paragas, Frank Van Niekerk, Rosa Santos, John Kainuku, Noeline Levick, Ben Hunt, Jane Ireland, Marie Mole, BC, Maria Martho, Buntly Hart, Serena Coughy, Jin Shu Qin, Ellie Blackwell, Jill Hopgood-Luyters, Rosita Galarg, Teana Jones, Thilsi Vern, Martin Harriman, Virgilia Velasquez, Sheila Birnie, Wilfred Mansoor, Msgr Brian Arahill, Ann Gordon, Adelaida Sison, Phil Wilkinson, Baden McPherson, Peggy Bell-Booth, Shannon Kavanagh, John & Gloria Gillespie.

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

Peter Williams, Dr Warren Moran, Basil Aholelei, Phyllis Murphy, Greg Boyed, George Dyer, V. Handoyo, Laurie Neeson, Peter Nola, Frank Soldner, Anthony Raman, Maurice Boland, Eileen Anne Brosnan, Mikie King, Michael Rehder, Cecy da Costa, Betty Johnstone, Jo Scully, Hazel Harris, Eugenia Reyes, Robin Maber, Basil Yap, Jo Scully, Muriel Prendergast, Nolean Byers, Jim Robbie, Anthony Moore, Andrew Martin, Brendan Dunican, Lizza Tagle, Romeo Ballona, Josephine Bish, Bob Skelton, Bill Roche, Benjamin Contreras Snr, Moira Bryant, Lynette Collins, Maura Henley, Pacing Bergante Talamor, Pat Tonks Eleanor Tierney, Kazimier Milek, Sr Frances Scully OP, Eric Szczerba, George Wood, Marie Murphy . . . *Eternal rest grant to them.*