

VIGIL EUCHARIST: Saturday 5.30 pm
SUNDAY EUCHARIST: 8.00 am 10.00 am
WEEKDAY EUCHARIST: Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Sat. 8.00 am
 Fridays 12.05pm
Exposition & Benediction : 11.00am Fridays
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 4.45 pm to 5.15 pm Sat.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND: 29th September 2019

	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am
COMMENTATORS:	Osmitta Francis	Mark Almeida	Rebecca Brimble
READERS:	Carmel Webb	Estelle Arts	Nellie Wulf
MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION:	Teresa Chow Bernadette Collins Lynette Duncan Sushila Fernandes Polly Kenrick	Chris Naughton Sr Rita Vessey rsm Josephine Yang Mark Almeida Eleonor Almeida	Deborah Railey Amile Salian Annette Wilson Nellie Wulf Dan Young
OFFERTORY:	Paula McNamara and Family	Paul Grace and Family	Mary Overend Pat Thomson
COLLECTORS:	Shee, Bradley and Alyssia Chow	Michael Marinovich Olive Maumalanga	Aaron and Claire Pascoe
ALTAR SERVERS: (Please remember to arrive 10 minutes early)	Volunteers Please School Holidays	Volunteers Please School Holidays	Volunteers Please School Holidays

COUNTERS: Rex Carroll Pauline Carroll Peter Leathley	ALTAR CARE: Mary Jackson Rosemary Trevenen	FLOWERS Liza Johnson Joanna Johnson	CHILDREN'S LITURGY No children's liturgy School Holidays
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Are you new to our Parish? We warmly welcome you. We would like to know more about you and invite you to take an Information Pack available in the foyer in the cream-coloured box marked "Information for New Parishioners". Please complete the forms enclosed and return to the Parish Office. *Thank you.*

Eucharist has been celebrated or will be celebrated for:

Recently Deceased: John Henry, Bernard Radford, Peter Williams, Frances Knight, Winnie Groom, Kathleen Mary Mearns, Arturo Carbonilla, Hazel Francis, Alice Boffey, Frances Kieran, Hazel Griffin, Christine Orrell, Florrie Dsouza, Priscilla D. Mijares, Richard Phelan, Marica Bartulovic, Florante Mangosing, Henry Dean, Leo O'Brien, Br Terry Maney(FMS), Graham Glamuzina, Carolyn Purkis, Petrus Smit, Shirley Underell, Elma Penney, Jack Loughheed

Sick: Lucy Lee, Rita Kelly, D.E.Mijares, Sue Wong, Kathryn Badrick, Millie Pacheco, Phillip Jew, Leo Cassin, Margaret Anne Hobson, Theresa Way, Carol Rogers, Lloyd Jones, Corazon Abulencia

Anniversaries: Barney McCahill (16 Aug), Iluminada Abelo (19 Aug), Kitty McKewan (24 Aug), Rachel Foong (26 Aug), Carmencita M. Hernandez (27 Aug), Hanipale Henry Brown (Sept 11), Mons. Pat Ward (Sept 12), Desmond Ansley (Sept 20), Bro. John Paul Wilson (Sept 23)

Mass Intentions: 5.30pm Mons. Pat Ward & Bro. JP Wilson 8am Desmond Ansley 10am John Henry

Available in Church Foyer:
See notice board for upcoming events.



Readings for Next Week:

1. Amos 6:1,4-7
 2. 1 Timothy 6:11-16
 Gospel Luke 16:19-31

Parish of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

PARISH PRIEST

Father Robert O'Brien

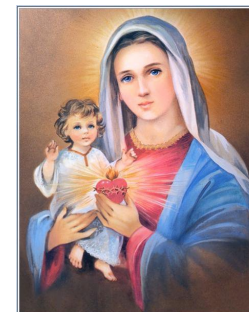
Fr Ruatamaki Ambo
 Fr Bonny Borges
 Deacon John Hawkins

PARISH SECRETARY

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Principal - Mrs Mini Joseph

22nd September 2019 - Sunday Readings Year C 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

How to "Become a Catholic"

While this may be a weighty decision, is easy in practice. Just join our RCIA programme. RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, the process by which adults are welcomed into membership of the Roman Catholic Church. RCIA is:

- A journey of faith with a number of different phases.
- A time of discovering about being a son or daughter of God who is loving and gracious.
- An opportunity to reflect on a personal relationship with God and how God calls everyone, each in His own way.
- A period if getting to know Jesus Christ (more) deeply.

Our **2019/2020** programme starts on **Thursday, 17th October 2019.**

If you are interested in participating or even if you are "mildly curious", please register your interest by calling or emailing our Parish office, or Deacon John at johnandpixie@xtra.co.nz as soon as possible, **preferably before Tuesday, 1st October**, providing us with your contact details.

Catholics who would like to "refresh" their understanding of their faith are welcome to join us as well. Further details are available by contacting Deacon John.

Planned Giving Envelopes

The new sets of Planned Giving Envelopes are now available for collection from the Church foyer. Please remember to uplift yours today.

Altar Servers - Volunteers needed

If you are available to assist with altar serving during the school holidays (28th-29th September, 5th-6th October and 12th-13th October), kindly register your name in the volunteer sheet provided in the Church foyer. Newly-trained altar servers are welcome to assist if they are with a more experienced altar server (for example, with an older sibling who have been altar serving for some time now). Your help is greatly appreciated.

Our Parish - The Week Ahead

Mon. 23rd Sept. 9-9.30am Rosary Group meet in the church. All welcome.
 Mon. 23rd Sept. 7.00pm Legion of Mary meet in the church foyer. New members welcome.

In Our Church

Parish Rosters

The new roster for the period 22 Sept to 19 January, 2020 have been sent out mostly by email and a few by post. Please check your inbox (or it may also have gone to your spam folder). A hard-copy is posted on our notice board and also available by request from the parish office. Thank you for your continued support to the various ministries in our parish.

Columban Calendars - 2020

Now available from the parish office at \$12 each.

NZ Catholic

The Sept. 22 – Oct 5 issue of NZ Catholic is out now. Some headlines are: St Bede's College opens \$3.5m chapel. School community unites against corrections facility. Cardinal Dew says church still a place of hope. NZ Catholic praised at press awards. The next issue of NZ Catholic will be published on October 6. Please make sure the money (\$4) is handed to any of our priests, Deacon John or in to the Parish office. *Thank you.*

Baptisms

We welcome **Chloe Jade Cooper**, daughter of Amy (nee Williams) and Ross Cooper.

Rafael William Tonkin, son of Sharon (nee Suarez) and Nicolas Tonkin. We offer Chloe and Rafael the warmest of welcomes and assure them and their families of our support and prayers.



Birthday Greetings



Fr. Rob recently celebrated his birthday on Monday, 16th of September. Belated happy birthday, Fr. Rob! May God's love and peace be with you always and may He shower you with more blessings as you continue to be a blessing to our parish!

Mercy Spirituality Centre

104 The Drive, Epsom

◆WEEKEND WORKSHOP Rediscovering Fire:

Exploring the Spirituality of Teilhard de Chardin with KEVIN GALLAGHER. **Fri 27 Sept, 7-9pm & Sat 28 Sept, 9.30am-4pm.** \$95 incl. lunch. \$145 also incl. accommodation Fri night. This seminar will explore some key concepts of Teilhard's spirituality and vision and offer opportunities to taste and experience Christ at the heart of all things.

◆INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE OLDER PERSON: *Tai Chi with JOCELYN WATKIN.* **Tues 1 Oct, 10.30am-12.30pm.** \$15. Talk on the philosophy and history of tai chi and the opportunity to learn a short section of Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention. Of course, you don't have to have arthritis to still benefit from this programme. All welcome, especially those aged 60+.

◆KOREAN CULTURE: *Korean Tea Ceremony (darye) with CECILIA KIM.* **Thurs 3 Oct, 10.30am-12.30pm.** \$15. All welcome.

◆EVENING EVENT: *"Dance and be Glad! (Jeremiah 31:13) Expressing gratitude through dance with MARTA CULLEN.* **Fri 4 Oct, 7-9pm.** \$15. Let's express our gratitude with some dances.

Bookings essential - Ph: 638-6238 or Email: info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

Mission and Live in Retreat

Divine Retreat Centre NZ, an Apostolate of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Auckland, is organizing a Mission and Live in retreat in Auckland led by Fr Augustine and his team from **29th September to 7th October** in various parishes around Auckland.

29th Sept 1.30-7.30pm: St Therese Church Three Kings
 30th Sept 7-9pm: Christ the King Church, Mt. Roskill
 1st Oct 7-9pm: St. Mark's Church, Pakuranga
 2nd Oct 7-9pm: St. Joseph's Church, Takapuna
 3rd Oct 7-9pm: St. Dominic's Church, Blockhouse Bay
 Live in Retreat: Carey Park Christian Camp, Henderson from 5.00pm Friday 4th October till 2pm Sunday 6th October.

For more info, visit www.drcnewzealand.org Email: drcnz@hotmail.com or contact Brian: 0210309144; Jacinta: 0224311644; Cynthia: 0210642157



WE ARE 20 YEARS OLD!!!

Have you been part of the Marian Early Childhood Centre in the last 20 years?

Then you are invited to celebrate with us on the **10th of October 2019.** Mass @ **11:15am** at St Patrick's Church Panmure followed by lunch, quick fire raffles and other activities at the Kindy. KOHA at the door. RSVP 021 0506 374 by Friday, 4th October 2019.

Abortion Bill – Update

The Abortion Legislation Committee, which is now considering written submissions, is made up of seven Members of Parliament, five of whom voted for the Bill at First Reading. Let us pray for the Committee that they be enlightened and make wise recommendations. They are:

Voted For: Ruth Dyson (Chairperson), Amy Adams (Deputy Chairperson), Jan Logie, Tracey Martin and David Seymour (Committee Members).
 Voted Against: Kanongata'a Suisuiki Anahila and Agnes Loheni (Committee Members)

What More Can We Do?

1. We can pray, especially for Members of Parliament. Opportunities include:

- ◆ Prayer vigils & Eucharistic Adoration, such as at (it may be best to check first):
 Mount St Mary, Titirangi 24/7;
 Divine Mercy Refuge 24/7;
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Herne Bay evenings.
 Rosary prayer in families/groups
 Ecumenical prayer, such as 'Standing in the Gap'
 – details available on request.

2. We can keep informed so that we are well-equipped and confident when the topic arises in conversation. A good resource is the Voice For Life website where you can ask to receive their newsletter: www.voiceforlife.org.nz
 3. We can visit Members of Parliament to express our concern.

MPs place great value on personal visits, since they might not have time to personally read all their emails, although the number of emails for or against may be counted. If you phone or email their office, you can arrange with a staff member a time and location that suits you to meet the MP. As you know, these visits need to be respectful and courteous. You can express concern and listen to them attentively if they talk about the issue (or anything else), and, before leaving, thank them and give them something, such as a copy of your submission. It is a good idea also to send a thank-you message afterwards.

Mayoral Election Forum

This is your chance to ask all the Mayoral candidates where they stand on issues important to the Catholic community. 7-9pm at St Columba Centre 40 Vermont Street Ponsonby on **Wednesday 25th September.** All welcome. Supper provided.

Diocesan Youth Mass

All welcome on **Sunday, 29 Sept 7pm** at St Patrick's Cathedral. Hosted by our Vinnies whānau. The theme is 'We Give Thanks To You Oh God.'

Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass

Fri 4 Oct 7pm. St Mary's Church, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Mercy sung, Benediction, Mass, followed by veneration of St Faustina's relic. All Welcome.

Logo Competition

The Auckland Diocesan Commission for Ecumenism and Interfaith Relations is mandated by the Bishop of Auckland. It is looking for a logo, and seeks for your artistic and design skills. The logo design requirements is to capture the statement "Unity in Diversity". For further information about the competition, visit our website at <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/mission-evangelisation/ecumenism/>. Submit design by email to ecumenicalandinterfaith@cda.org.nz, and if you have any questions. **Entries close on Monday 14th October, 2019.**

Annual Catholic Men's Retreat Auckland

18-20 October. For registrations and more information: Greg Sullivan Ph:021437747 or email greg.sullivan@xtra.co.nz or visit <https://tinyurl.com/y2sa9ujn>

*Make the Poor and those who care for them joyfully sing,
 "Praise the Lord who lifts up the Poor." - Psalm 113*