

Parish Information

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil - 5:30pm

Sunday - 8am, 9:30am, 11am

Choral Mass, 4:30pm, 6pm

Weekday Mass Times

Monday to Friday

7:30am, 9:15am, 12:05pm

Saturday - 9:15am

Public Holiday 9:15am

Reconciliation

Monday to Friday 11:30am

Saturday 9:45am

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 5th July 2020

I will bless your name for ever

First Holy Communion Programme

This week we held two Reconciliation services for the 84 children on the First Holy Communion Programme and their families. They were very moving events. It was striking how many parents came forward to receive the sacrament as well. A great example to the children and blessing for them personally.

Welcoming New Catholics

Congratulations to the six adults and one child baptised or received into the Church at the 9.30am Mass last Sunday. It was a joyful celebration. This group had been preparing with study and prayer since August last year so last weekend was the culmination of a very special journey. We welcome among us Kerrie and son Antonio Rodrigues, Colin Renouf, Katie Clark, Rebecca Roberts, Jamie Gornall, and Son Pham. May your faith journey continue to deepen.

Becoming Catholic

Next month we will start the Journey to Faith programme (officially known as OCIA – the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) for those who are considering becoming Catholic. Our faith is a great treasure which cannot be kept hidden. We have a responsibility to share what we have received with the world. It's interesting that many people become Catholic after having been invited by others.

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? We would love to have you join us. Do you know someone you think might be interested in coming along? Please pray about this and then invite them to consider this invitation.

Ministries Training

Thanks to the bumper crowds who attended training for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion this week. Your attendance in freezing cold and rainy weather was an inspiration!

Father Simon Away on holiday – he returns next Sunday.

Assisi Lounge

Some of you will know of the portacom next to the church at Innes Road. We plan to transport it to the Pro-Cathedral for use by groups and for cups of tea between Masses. Plans are being finalised, but we expect it will be placed on the gravel parking area next to the Music Centre. Consent and connection to services are being worked on now. In the process we will lose about 5 car parks. We are looking to see if we can free up car parks elsewhere.

Father Simon Eccleton Administrator

Bishop's Decree

The Bishop has issued new decrees for the amalgamation of our city and Selwyn parishes to reflect the fact that all assets are now able to be transferred to the new entities along with employment agreements and other rights and obligations. The decree for our new parish being established becomes effective on the 12th of July 2020. A copy of the decree is on the parish website and the diocesan website and will also be put in the Church foyer during the week.

Mass Timetable		All Masses at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral	
Sunday Mass		Weekday Mass	
Saturday Vigil	5:30pm	Monday to Friday	7:30am, 9:15am, 12:05pm (preceded by Confessions 11.30am)
Sunday Morning	8am, 9:30am & 11am	Saturday	9:15am followed by Confessions
Sunday Afternoon	4:30pm, 6pm		

READINGS FOR THE DAY 1ST: ZECH 9: 9-10; 2ND: ROM 8:9,11-13; GOSPEL: MT 11: 25-30
PSALM RESPONSE: I WILL PRAISE YOUR NAME FOR EVER, MY KING AND MY GOD

Spirit Night – Whisky & The Holy Spirit: Friday 31 July 7.00pm-10.00pm

St Francis of Assisi Catholic School, 370 Innes Road, Mairehau, Christchurch.
 A men's night of whisky tasting accompanied by testimonials from parishioners about how The Holy Spirit works in their lives. Supper included. R18 event. \$20pp. Tickets must be pre-purchased from the Parish office or from Phillip Bell 02102914855, phil.clare.bell@gmail.com. Payments to bank account number 031592 0602105 20 using your name as the reference.



St Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your support helping those in need. Our pantry is in need of: **tinned spaghetti and beans, tinned soup and tinned fruit.**

Mass Offered for:

Makafalani Tatafu and Meilin Goh (anniversaries)

They have gone no further from us than to God and God is very near

Seasons for Growth

Finding the changes to your spiritual home difficult? Seasons for Growth is a course that helps those experiencing loss or grief and the changes we are currently undergoing in our parish can be a significant cause of both of these. Lauren Butler, the Diocesan Coordinator of the course, will run the 4-week programme in our parish on Friday afternoons beginning **July 17th from 1pm till 3:30pm (July 17th, 24th, Aug 7th, 14th)**. If you are interested in attending, please put your name on the 'Sign-Up' board in the Narthex or phone the office to register. For more information contact Kirsten Challies.



Young Adults Alpha: Those 18-35yrs who are interested in meeting and discussing things of faith will want to attend the Young Adults Alpha programme. The course runs for 11weeks and begins July 13th at 7pm at **St Albans United Church, cnr Nancy Ave and Knowles St. (NOTE: Change of venue)**. Sign-up on the clipboard in the Narthex and feel free to bring a friend.

7 Days In Daily Life Retreat: "That Christ May Dwell In Our Hearts" (NOTE: Changes to dates/times) _

Gatherings in the Cathedral Parish during the week:

Saturday 25 July 3.00pm-5.00pm (Beginning the Retreat)

Tuesday 28 July 7.00pm-9.00pm

Saturday 1 August 3.00pm-5.00pm (Concluding the Retreat)

Daily prayer in your own time (Material offered); Morning prayer (30 Mins) Examen in the Evening (10 Mins)

Small Group ZOOM Meetings (30-45 mins) **26, 27, 29, 30, 31 July** Led by experienced Spiritual Directors. These ZOOM sessions are an opportunity to share with others something of your prayer experience.

Flyers with more detail are in the Narthex. Sign-up on the clipboard in the Narthex if you are interested or contact Kirsten Challies for more information.