



St Theresa's Parish Plimmerton

Newsletter



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Reconciliation By appointment

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

5 MAY 2019

Readings

5 May

First Reading	Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41
Second Reading	Apocalypse 5: 11-14
Gospel	John 21: 1-19

12 May

First Reading	Acts 13: 14, 43-52
Second Reading	Apocalypse 7:9, 14-17
Gospel	John 10: 27-30

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Monday 6** 11am Requiem Mass – Anne Beaumont RIP
(No Adoration today)
- Tuesday 7** No Liturgy
- Wednesday 8** 9:30am Eucharist
7.30pm Prayer group meeting
- Thursday 9** 9.30am Eucharist
11am Liturgy at Harbourview
7:30pm Rosary and Adoration
- Friday 10** 9:30am Eucharist
- Saturday 11** 6pm Vigil
- Sunday 12** 9:30am Eucharist



I am struck by how Jesus addresses the disciples in the 21st chapter of John. They have been fishing all night, and when the dawn comes, Jesus asks, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They hadn't caught a thing, so he tells them what to do to finally fill their nets. These children thought they knew best, but they couldn't get the job done until they listened to Jesus. Like a child who needs a parent, these early followers of Jesus were learning that real maturity of faith requires trusting in and listening to the Teacher.

The stewardship way of life demands of us a certain maturity of discipleship. Just as a child is not yet ready to be a parent, an immature disciple may not yet be ready to sacrifice regardless of the cost or understand the true value of his generosity. So every day, we are challenged and called to respond, sometimes even with little cost to ourselves. But each step, no matter how small, brings with it growth. We are growing not only in maturity, but in the ability to trust in God and how to listen for the call as well.

How mature are you in your faith? How much trust do you have in Jesus Christ? How often do you pause to listen to the instructions of your Teacher? The night is now over, and the dawn is upon you. Reflect on the visible fruit of your stewardship, and then listen for the words of Jesus.

PARISH NEWS:

Evacuation Drill at Masses this weekend

There will be an evacuation drill at the end of Mass this weekend as part of the requirement for our Building Compliance.

When asked to evacuate please follow the instructions of the Wardens: Wardens at each mass are the Eucharistic Ministers for the day.

- Please exit the church as quickly as possible and with minimal fuss and talk. Leave large items behind.
- Those in the front 3 pews, the side chapel and on the altar please exit through the side chapel and meet on the school asphalt area.
- The remainder of the congregation - please exit through the main doors and meet on James Street.
- All those with mobility issues should remain in their seats until everyone else has moved. You will be assisted by the Wardens.

Thank You

Grant Baker, Chair of the Resource Committee.



PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUPS.

If you are interested in joining a family group, please contact Sue & Richard Gibbs 234 7913.

Andys Angels are having Soup and Rolls for lunch at Eastgates this weekend - Sunday 5th – yummm!



Those who are sick:

Mary-Rose Royal, Lio Hunt, Tanya Scherzer, Denis Fairfax, Red Capewell, Courtney Harland.

Remember: Pat Conway, Rob Neru, David Day, Charles Bokany, Maurice Harris, John Abbott, Dorothy Shea, Michelle Turley, Jeff Tronc, Anne Conroy, Anne Beaumont RIP.



May she rest in peace:

Anne Beaumont died peacefully on Monday 29th April. Her Requiem Mass will be in our Church on Monday 6th May at 11am.

St Vincent de Paul news:



We are very grateful for a large donation of foodstuffs this week – rather than 21st birthday gifts, our Food Bank accepted a generous supply of tinned and packaged

food from a young parishioner.

In spite of that we are short of tinned spaghetti, baked beans, pasta sauce mixes, tomato mixes to suggest a few. We have had heavy demand recently and supplies go out the door rapidly. Your generosity is always much appreciated, thanks.



Alexa Sandra Gibson, Baptised at the 9.30am Mass today. Congatulations to Simon and Likhi Gibson.



Day of Prayer for Vocations

Next Sunday, 12 May, is a special day of prayer for vocations to the priesthood. Please pray for our seminarians Alfred, Matthew and Kinh and all those discerning the call to priesthood. Could someone you know become tomorrow's priest?

Pray for this person. Invite him to consider priesthood. Affirm his gifts and qualities. Encourage him to be open to the possibility of becoming a priest.

"The Lord's call is not an intrusion of God in our freedom; it is the loving initiative whereby God encounters us and invites us to be part of a great undertaking. Every vocation is a summons to follow Jesus on the path he has marked out for us, for our own happiness and for the good of those around us." Pope Francis

Fr David Dowling,

Vocations Director: frdavidd@gmail.com

ROSARY & ADORATION of BLESSED EUCHARIST GROUP



We meet on: 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month.

Where: At St Theresa's Church

When: 7.30pm

Please join us, if you would like further information contact - Francenne Smith M:027 724 7807



OFFERTORY GIVING

If you wish to give the Parish back your tax refund, our bank account details are BNZ 02 0536 003250 29.



Jenny Williamson will be in the Parish office Mon & Wed 1-3pm, Margaret Baker will be in the office on Thurs & Friday 12-4pm.

Fr John Van der Kaa will celebrate Eucharist: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9:30am and the Vigil and Sunday Masses. Fr van der Kaa's ph. is 232 3666 and his email is jvanderkaa@gmail.com.

Access to St Joseph's, Pauatahanui

The Transmission Gully team is working to complete the road access to St Joseph's which is currently cut off while they raise the road level.



They advise that work will not be completed until

mid-June and hence access to the church and cemetery will be restricted through to that time.

We have asked for access to walk to the church and they are considering how that can occur given the heavy machinery being used in the area.

There will be more information available shortly.

Grant Baker

Resource Committee Chair

Quiet Days with Suzanne Aubert. An invitation to spend time resting and reflecting on an aspect of the life and vision of Suzanne Aubert. Join us on 9th May, 10am - 2pm, Chapel, Our Lady's Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington. Simple lunch included. Registration is required. Email: retreat@compassion.org or Ph. 04 383 7769.

Taizé Prayer. Join us for an hour of meditative singing – simple songs typically featuring a line or two from the Psalms. A kind of Lectio divina in music, reading and spoken prayer along with periods of silence. First Friday of every month. Join us 7pm – 8pm, Our Lady's Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington. Ph. 04 383 7769.



St Mary's College Open Day.
June 13th 2019, 9am.



Ignatian Retreat Opportunity: Inner Peace in Friendship with Jesus. Led by C.L.C Wgtn. Participants meet weekly to pray and share in small groups their experience of prayer. The retreat is open to all. Held at St Anne's Church, Emmett St,

Newtown, Wgtn, over five Thursday evenings - 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 May 2019 at 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Cost is \$50, but sponsorship is available. To register/ information contact Sarah Dench 04 9733 501 or 021 0814 4424 or sarahdench@yahoo.com

Our God is Too Small - The Pope's Astronomer, Br Guy Consolmagno SJ, will be delivering a free public lecture, 7.30pm, on Tuesday 7 May at the Performing Arts Centre, Sacred Heart College, Lower Hutt.

A world leading astronomer, researcher, author, TED Talks and American University circuit speaker, he is visiting New Zealand to discuss his vision of God and our universe. He will be speaking on topics as diverse as:

- how science and religion work together,
- why he thinks our God is too small, and
- what his love of astronomy has taught him.

This is a free event, however tickets are required and are available online. See details at <https://skies.catholicdiscovery.nz/>

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington invites men to come along and join us on **Thursday 16th May 2019 at 7:30pm (Note: fellowship from 7:00pm for a 7:30pm start) In CONNOLLY HALL, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon (behind the closed Sacred Heart Cathedral).**

Speaker: Fr John Pettit on "Serving the Aboriginal people of Central Australia"

Want to know more? Ring Steve Ready 027-356-9555 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

May WelCom available in the Foyer, contents include:

- Prayers and solidarity for Sri Lanka.
- Cardinal John Dew's column – 'Jesus puts peace into our hearts so that we can give it to others'.
- Bishop Charles' column – 'From Desks to Neighbourhoods with the Oils of God's Workshop'.
- *Christus Vivit* – Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation to young people after last year's Youth Synod.

Service Rosters for May 11th / 12th - 4th Sunday of Easter

Mass Time:	6:00 pm	9:30 am	
Sacristan	Ruth Dobbs	Geoff Shirkey	
Greeters	Maryanne McKennie/Sue Warburton	Linda Reed & Ray Wolken	
Data Projectionist	TBC	Jasmine Watkins	
Welcomer /Prayers of Faithful	Chris Olsen	Anne Dodds	
Altar Servers	Amokura Royal Celine Ngan	Geneve & Tolan Brodey Abigail Vincent	
Karanga	TBC	Phoebe McClean	
Children's Liturgy		Rosa Souza-Galle	
Proclaimer of The Word	Margaret Baker	Maurice Foote	
Offertory Procession	Va'a Family	D & F Blank Family	
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Joseph Cole Mike Montgomery Kelly Ross Ange Reiher Grant Baker	Luke Barber Christine Johnco Sef Truyens Sharon O'Meagher Trish Fitzsimons	
Communion to the Sick		Mike Montgomery	
Hospitality		O'Sullivan's & Anna Vincent	
Flowers	Dorothy & Krystyna	Altar Society	Marcia Dunnett
Church Cleaning		Rosary Statue (wk fm)	TBC

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THOMAS	NATHANAEL	CANA	GALILEE
ZEBEDEE	BOAT	NET	STARBOARD
FISH	CLOAK	WATER	FIRE

