

Diocesan-wide Ecumenical Service in the spirit of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated at Holy Trinity Cathedral on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 5pm. Theme: *Justice and only Justice you shall pursue (Deut 16:18-20)* With participation from the Anglican, Catholic, Presbyterian, Methodist and Coptic churches. Homilist: Bishop Patrick Dunn. 446 Parnell Rd, Parnell. Free parking in Cathedral grounds accessible from Parnell Rd or Brighton Rd. A collection will be taken and refreshments will be available afterwards.

## Baptism Preparation Changes

Baptism preparation class will now be held on a monthly basis.

The session will be led by Mrs Marena Hubbers. If you are interested in helping Marena with this, please discuss further with her or the Parish Secretary.

There is a class on the 9<sup>th</sup> June from midday – 1pm and then the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month starting 14<sup>th</sup> July 10:30am – 11:30am

**Huge Congratulations and thanks to our Wolves n Roses Youth Group on this wonderful feedback. You're making an amazing difference!**

Hi Marena

I have been given your email address by Selwyn Village. I wanted to let you know how much I appreciate the involvement of your students / young people in helping out with the Cyber Seniors group at Selwyn. My elderly mother (name removed for privacy) lives at the village, and it is fantastic that she can learn how to use her iPad so that she can keep in touch with the family. We are scattered across Perth, Sydney and NZ, and it means so much that we can share photos, chat etc. For 88 she is doing pretty well but not surprisingly she needs a hand with technology!

Please pass on my appreciation to those involved.

Thanks, (name removed for privacy) Perth, Western Australia



Don't forget our Youth Mass on **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June**. Pizza's in the Whanau Room beforehand! If you want to be involved in the Mass, please contact Marena Hubbers.

## St Francis and St Therese Parish

Parish Priest: Rev Fr John Webb



**Mass Times:** Monday 10am Christ the King Chapel, Selwyn Village

Wednesday 12pm Tuesday & Friday 9:15am

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm, Sunday: 9am: **Reconciliation:** Sat 5pm or by appointment.

## The Ascension of our Lord 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2019

**Today's Readings:** 1st Rdg: Acts 1:1-11 Psalm: 46

2nd Rdg: Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

I suspect that the image that the ascension evokes is that of Jesus boarding a space ship: 'five, four, three, two, one – we have lift-off to planet Heaven!' The problem with this image is that Jesus did not 'go' anywhere – he remained with us, but in a different way. Ascension does not mark the end of Jesus' presence. It simply marks the change in how he is present and how he acts. 'Where two or three are gathered together in my name, 'Jesus said, 'there am I in the midst of them' (Matthew 18:20).

'Many of the Easter accounts have directed our attention to the appearances of Jesus, which were intended to strengthen the Christians' belief in his bodily resurrection... In many of these accounts Jesus seems to have been saying, 'I am the same one who walked with you before. This is the body that you have always known'. Today we stand awestruck, watching Jesus ascend into the clouds of heaven, there to be enthroned at the right hand of God. Today is a day to be overwhelmed by the reality of the divinity of the one we have known in his humanity'.

Dianne Bergant *Preaching the New Lectionary Year C*



**Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday "Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth!"**

**If you would like to read a prayer of the faithful in a different language, please contact the Parish Office.**

**We encourage Parishioners to wear their National dress.**



# Pentecost

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**Email:** stfrancis-ptchev@xtra.co.nz **Secretary:** Ms Paula Betham

**Office Hours:** Mon-Fri 9am – 2:30pm; except Thursday Office Closed.

**Parish Account:** RC Bishop of Auckland (Pt Chev) BNZ Auckland 02-0100-0120982-017

**St Francis School Principal:** Mrs Lisa Bateman Ph: 846 4696

### Pray For The Sick

Peter Lennard, Ben Hagglund,  
Joan Turner, San-Mooi Chan, Tony Soon,  
Audrey Murphy, Audrey Earl, Teresa Mann  
Noelle Antelme, Bishop Stuart O'Connell,  
Fr Maurice Ford & Fr John Webb.

### Pray for the Deceased

Pray for all those who are recently deceased  
especially Kathleen (Kaye) Webb; Peko  
Faatoese, Nancy Sandoy-Wright  
& Lino Vito.

Please pray also for all those whose  
Anniversaries occur around this time.

### Dates to Remember

#### JUNE:

**8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Pentecost Sunday**

**11<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Meeting**

**15<sup>th</sup> Youth Mass**

**23<sup>rd</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Mass**

**30<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Mass**

**Donations** Your Parish of St. Francis & St.  
Therese appreciate any money you can  
contribute on a routine basis in order to  
maintain the premises and enable the Church  
to function.

We encourage Parishioners to transfer money  
by way of **weekly** direct credit.  
All contributions/donations are **Tax Deductible**.

The Parish's Bank details are as follows:

Bank Account Name:

RC Bishop of Auckland (Pt Chev)

Bank Account Number:

BNZ Auckland 02-0100-0120982-017

**Bible Study with  
Deacon David Marshall  
Thursdays 7:30pm – 9pm  
in the Presbytery.  
All welcome**

### Upcoming Readings

**8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**1st Rdg:** Acts 2:1-11

**Psalm:** 103

**2nd Rdg:** Romans 8:8-17

**Gospel:** John 14:15-16, 23-26

### Ministry Roster

**8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

#### 5:30pm Vigil Mass

**Welcome/PoF** – Maree van den Hurk

**1st Reader** – Dominic Hines

**2nd Reader** - Chris Smith

**Communion** - Susan Milne &

Alicia King

**Projector** – Paula Whitfield

#### 9:00am Sunday

**Welcome/PoF** – Christian McTaggart

**1st Reader** – Clare Goldwater

**2nd Reader** - Terence Creagh

**Communion** - Margaret Smallridge &

Emma Ibbetson

**Projector** – Max Limisco

#### GENERAL:

**Children's Liturgy:** Frances

**Cleaning** – Carla & Neil Sheldon

**Counting** – Steve & Michelle Walls

Fr Ezio Blasoni will be  
celebrating both Masses for us  
this weekend, please join us in  
thanking him for helping us out.  
Please also keep Fr John in your  
prayers as he takes time out to  
recuperate.

### Diocesan Job Vacancy

**Property Manager – Building Compliance focused role.** The Diocese is seeking a motivated property professional to join our small property team in a Property Manager role with a focus on Building Compliance. You are someone who enjoys coordinating and managing all aspects of building compliance, can manage our Health and Safety programme for the Diocese ensuring all legislation requirements are being met, ensures that all insurance information is current and correct and all School property data is accurately recorded with NZ Catholic Education Office and Ministry of Education.

This is a varied and busy role and we seek applications from candidates who can demonstrate the following experiences and attributes: Relevant experience or tertiary qualification in Property, Construction or Health and Safety; Sound knowledge and understanding of building compliance;

Excellent knowledge and understanding of the HSWA 2015; Excellent organisation and planning skills; Strong administrative skills; Excellent relationship building skills with both external, and internal clients; Strong customer focus; and Strong computer skills – intermediate competency in MS Work & Excel.

To view the full advertisement and position description for the above role, please visit our website [www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz) under Administration and staff vacancies.

**The Sisters of Mercy** invite young women aged 18 and over to a **Come and See Day** to discover more about our Mercy Life. **Saturday 22 June. 10am to 3.30pm.** Ponsonby. RSVP and more information Sr Fatima - [flem2609@yahoo.com](mailto:flem2609@yahoo.com) – 021 0842 9440. Sr Linda - [vocations@mercy.org.nz](mailto:vocations@mercy.org.nz)- 021 263 0439

### **Has Mass Changed over Time? And Eucharist: the Great Sacrament of Unity.**

We extend an invitation to all parishioners to come to these two seminars at **Christ the King Church, Ōwairaka on Saturday June 30<sup>th</sup>**. This is a great opportunity for people to deepen their understanding and appreciation of the Mass. Visiting lecturer, Rev Thomas O'Loughlin, Professor of Historical Theology at Nottingham University, will present two seminars: 1) **1.00 – 3.00 pm**, How understanding changes to liturgical rites that have occurred over time can help us understand and appreciate today's liturgy more fully. 2) **3.30pm – 5.30pm**, Why do we call the Mass the great sacrament of unity? Afternoon tea provided 3.00 – 3.30.

In addition to these two seminars, Rev O'Loughlin will present a free academic lecture to the public, 'One or Two Cups' the origins of the longer Recension of the Lukan Last supper Narrative,' on **Tuesday July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm** at the Columba Centre Vermont St

### **FAMILY LIFE INTERNATIONAL: WE'RE HIRING!**

**Development/Fundraising Administrator.** Family Life International is a well-established, active and successful charity looking for a highly motivated person to join their passionate team. To view the position description and make an application go to [fli.org.nz](http://fli.org.nz). Alternatively, contact the office 629 4361 and Colleen Bayer will be in touch.

**A new handrail will be installed soon by the lecturn to enable ease of access up the steps to the Sanctuary.**

**Thanks to those involved in sorting it out for our Parishioners and Priests**