

**Next year baptismal Course.** There will be one session of two weeks each month. These days will be on the First and Second Sunday's of the month at 5.30 pm. Please start to enrol for them. Once the class becomes too large, we will ask you to go to the next month's lessons. On completion of the preparation, the couples will be presented with a certificate of completion, this is necessary before Baptism happens. There will be two Sundays for Baptism. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 2.00 pm. If you wish to have your child Baptised at Mass, this requires working with the Priest and Baptism Team. We welcome the opportunity to Include Baptism at Mass. **Baptism Courses:** For Children 0-6 years. Ph Sesilia ph/text 0211176334

**Fibre Cable** was laid in the Parish, thanks to the efforts of many people to get this done.

**We are looking at the phone system now**, and the need to have it working efficiently and well. This will be another expense on the Parish, but necessary and needed urgently.

As a Parish I would encourage you to participate in the **Christmas Event for Manurewa** which is run by the Christian churches in our area. Our theme for this year is "light up the night." We picked this theme because we wanted to make it about Jesus, and for us, Jesus is our light in the darkness. Contact details Shaira Baladad - Stall manager [shairabaladad@gmail.com](mailto:shairabaladad@gmail.com) 02102497419 • Mobile

**Yesterday, five young people were confirmed.** This family has recently arrived from Tonga and had missed out on confirmation, because of the Policy in this Diocese of Confirming children when they make Holy communion. Welcome and congratulations to the Tuivai Family, Carl and Loloma, and their five children, Paulo, Kolotita, Petelo, Hellen, Velonika.

**Tongan Sunday School** Re-commence 10th Feb 2019 in the Hall 11am-12.30pm Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

**Next Saturday after 8am Mass** there will be refreshments in the Lounge to celebrate the conception of Mary.

**NZ Pro-Life Rosary Crusade** on Saturday 8th December St Anne's Church at 3 pm All are welcome.

**Old Rosary Beads, Broken or Not**, that people no longer want, can be dropped into Parish Office.

**Renovated 2 Bedroom Home** in Weymouth available for rent. Please call or text 021950705

**Acts Fellowship (20-30s)** Those in their 20+ single, married, parents or in a relationship, are welcome to Acts Fellowship. Ph: Therese Kiely 0212636812

**Meditation Group**

Every Monday 5-6pm in the Chapel (St Anne's). All welcome Ph: Charmaine 0274800418 or Paulina 02102590750

**Rosary for Life:** Every Monday in the Chapel 7pm Contact Pat 2676027 or Bernadette 2669475.

**Legion Of Mary:**

Juniors & Intermediate: Fridays at 5pm. Seniors: Tuesday 6.30 pm both groups meet in the Parish Lounge. Contact Jacinta 021 02649993

**Divine Mercy Group Prayer Meeting** on Wednesday every week in the Chapel starting from 6-8pm and 1st Wednesday of every month it's our Eucharist Adoration 6-8pm You are all most welcome to pray with us.

**Temples of the Holy Spirit Prayer Group**

Every Monday 7.30pm in the Lounge. Serena 2696353.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:**

Welcome to our parish! Please fill in this box and hand it in to the Parish Office.

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Christian Names \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

For the planned giving programme please circle one of the following **Automatic Payment** **Envelopes**



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Hours: Mon 11.30am-2.00pm; Tues, Wed, Thurs 9.00am-3.00pm; Fri 9.00am-12-30pm; 1.30-3.00pm

**ST ANNE'S PARISH SCHOOL**

Principal: Mr Glen Ryan Ph (09)269 0023

**PARISH NEWSLETTER FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, 1ST DECEMBER 2018**

Pope Francis guides us in dealing with stress, anxiety, and real loneliness of the Christmas season. The pressure of daily life in general. In his letter to us, *Rejoice and Be Glad*, in the search for happiness: "The presence of constantly new gadgets, the excitement of travel and an endless array of consumer goods at times leave no room for God's voice to be heard. We are overwhelmed by words, by surface pleasures and by an increasing noise, filled not by joy, but rather by the sadness of those whose lives have lost meaning. How can we fail to realize the need to stop this constant busyness, and to recover the personal space needed to carry on a heartfelt dialogue with God? Finding that space may prove painful, but it is always fruitful. Sooner or later, we have to face our true selves and let the Lord enter."

In the last few weeks there has been an invitation to come together for Advent Prayer, it began on Thursday, come and pray and prepare for Christmas. Thursday 8,00 pm in the Church. Finishes exactly at 9.00 pm.

**Tuesday next week**  
**the Anointing of the Sick, 1.30pm**

**AND**

**Rite of Reconciliation, healing, Peace and Forgiveness, 7.30pm**

**A Call to all the Parish to come.**

## PARISH MASS TIMETABLE

### SUNDAY MASS:

Sat Vigil: 5.30 pm,  
Sun: 8.00 & 10.00am, 7.00pm  
12noon 3rd Sun (Samoan) 2nd month  
11.30am 4th Sunday (Maori)

### WEEK DAY MASS:

TUES & THURS 7.00am  
WED: 12.05pm  
FRI: 9.00am  
SAT: 8.00am

### LITURGY OF THE WORD AND HOLY COMMUNION

MON: 7.00am (Public Hols 8.00am)

### Confessions time:

Saturday after the 8:00 am Mass  
Saturdays from 4:00 till 5:00 pm

## PLEASE PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS

**Recently Deceased:** Alosio Talalelei Godinet,  
Paddy Schutz, Francis John Edwards

**The Sick:** Stephen Barry, Noomaunga Aituru,  
Karina Tatari, Pat Fitzpatrick, Jenny Fitzpatrick,  
Baby Adrian Mansur, Rosalynn Clark, Henry  
O'Neil, David Ifopo, Demi Ball, Francis Gallego,  
Olivia del Valle, Bob Belz, Su'a Pese, Margaret  
Hokai, Peter Dickens, Marie Dephoff, Alice  
McElhinney, Kevin Nelson, Nadia Kourkgy,  
Naomi Daculan.

**RCIC:** Baptism for Children (7 years+) Ph Parish  
Office 266 5826 to register for programme.

### RCIA Want to Become Catholic?

Ph Therese Kiely 0212636812

### We Have 18 Columban Calendars Left

available from the Parish Office at \$12 each.

**Taize-style prayer series** at St Anne's. Contin-  
ues this Thursday 6 December 8-9pm in the  
church and every Thursday of Advent. This  
week: "Prepare the way of the Lord".  
All welcome, enquiries Des Kiely 027-2221672.

**Daily Mass Calenders 2019** are now available  
for purchase in the Office \$3.50

### YOUTH NOTICES:

Next youth session Fri 7th December 6.30-8.30  
in the Parish Hall. Ph Tino 021 032 2835

## CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SAT: 8.30AM & 4.00—5.00pm

### MARRIAGE

Give the priest 6 months' notice and  
enrol in Pre-Marriage Preparation  
Programme.

### BAPTISM

Contact Parish Office and complete the  
preparation programme.

### HOLY COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION, RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Contact Parish office for enrolment

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact one of the priests

## READINGS FOR SUNDAY YEAR C

### First Sunday of Advent 2nd December

Jeremiah: 33:14-16 Ps: 24:4-5.8-9.10.14  
Thessalonians: 3:12-4:2 Luke: 21:25-28.34-36

### Second Sunday of Advent 9th December

Baruch: 5: 1-9 Ps: 125  
Philippians: 1: 3-6. 8-11 Luke: 3:1-6

### St Anne's Christmas Midnight Choir

**Practice:** every Thursday evening in the Hall  
7pm Singers and Musicians all welcome.

**Altar Servers:** There is an important meeting  
for all altar servers next Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> Dec at  
2.00pm at the Church. This is to welcome the  
new Altar Servers and those who wish to con-  
tinue in this ministry, and to draw up the list  
and Mass rosters for Altar Servers for Christ-  
mas and the coming year.

**Happy Birthday to Pat Fitzpatrick**, who  
turned 90. Pat, the parish of St Anne's has a  
debt to you for your love and your amazing  
service of the people, the priests. Blessings  
and grace of God for you on this great occa-  
sion with your family around you.

**Yesterday**, Pat and Marlene O'Connell's  
granddaughter, Greer Game-O'Connell was  
married to Robert Campbell (Ireland).  
Congratulations.

## Anointing Mass

### Tuesday 11th December 1.30pm

in the church followed by Lunch in the Hall.  
Would Special Ministers of Communion to the  
Sick please let your folk know of this occasion.

### The Advent Rite of Reconciliation

will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> of December at 7.30.  
This is where we ask the priests of the Deanery  
to assist us in this evening of Healing and  
Grace. Please make this a day of preparation  
for Christmas.

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### 1st Sacramental Programme Upcoming Dates:

**1st Reconciliation** 7th February 2019 7.30pm

**Confirmation** 7th June 2019  
but date still to be confirmed with the Bishop.

**First Holy Communion** 23rd June 2019

**Parish Health and Safety:** We need to review our  
health and safety policies, hazards and processes.  
Are you experienced in this? Can you please come  
on to our team and lead this review. Please call  
John Thurston 0274811677

**Great Gratitude and Thanks** to Tino Tofaeono, and  
to Gina, who are retiring from the role of Parent  
Youth Team Leaders and Coordinators. The Parish  
owes you both a great debt of gratitude. As we all  
know to be in this service for this length of time,  
takes its toll on you, your family and your time.  
Thank you for your generosity and long years of  
service.

**Thank You Des Kiely and team** of workers who  
presented a stunning night of prayer. Thank you for  
the time and the passion to see this off the ground.  
As a Parish event, I hope more people will experi-  
ence this time of prayer.

**Please: If you arrive late for Mass:** Wait until the  
Reading is finished. Readers please make sure you  
adjust the microphone, to suit your height. The mi-  
crophone while good, needs to be near your mouth.

**Congratulations on the School** for their Cultural  
Festival, and thanks for the support of the Priests at  
your morning tea. The school and the Parish are so  
necessary to each other.

**We welcome home Father Percy Kimble sm**,  
who has been on a personal Renewal Course  
in Australia. He is happy to be home in New  
Zealand, however, Our Marist Provincial has  
asked Father Percy to move from Manurewa  
and be appointed to the Marist Community in  
Napier, he will work in the Parish of Napier.  
Father Percy has been here in Manurewa for  
three years, and in that time has been a signifi-  
cant influence for stability, his generous re-  
sponse to lead the community and to be Parish  
Priest in a time of changeover.  
Thank you, Father Percy. We will have a fare-  
well for Father Percy.

**The Provincial of the Society of Mary**, has  
appointed **Father Robert Devlin sm** to the  
Parish Staff of St Anne's. Many of you will  
know Father Rob. He was here early this year  
helping in the Parish. He is currently away from  
New Zealand and will return in the beginning of  
the year. We welcome Father Rob.

**Father Michael O'Connor sm**, who has been  
helping while Father Percy was away, will move  
from St Anne's during the week. Thank you,  
Father Michael, for helping us. Your willingness  
to fit in and helping has been much appreciated.  
Your time of coming from Fiji, returning to New  
Zealand, I hope, will be blessed and a graced  
time.

**The Parish Security System** has been up-  
graded this week. There is still lots of work to be  
done, the system was found to be old, and most  
parts have had to be replaced, an unexpected  
expense on the parish.

**Security Code Change:** If you have access to  
the Church you will need to be given a Security  
Code for the alarm system. Please come to  
the Office for this. All key holders of the Church  
and Sacristy, Flower Room, will have to have  
this code. The old code is no longer accepted.

**We Now Have a Colour Printer** in the office.  
All groups and Committees will be given a  
code number. You will need to have this code  
number, and your print requests will be put into  
your groups budget and activity sheet. The  
Printer will be in the office. All reasonable re-  
quests for printing will be handled in the office.  
Personal printing will be charged. The cost of  
the printing lease is \$100.00 per month, and .07  
for black, 7 cents for colour.

### **Music Workshop with Fr Chris Skinner sm**

Saturday 23rd Feb 2019 10am-1pm. \$30 incl. morning tea. St Columba Centre, Ponsonby

### **Calling all New Mums.....**

St Anne's Parish Mother's Group.

Offering a Christian Service of outreach, warmth, love, respect and support.

Want to know more contact the parish office 09-2665826 Fr Brian or Brigid McGilly (Reg. Social Worker)

### **Knitting Group.**

We continue to meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday in the multipurpose room at the front of the school, from 10-12. We're a friendly group and all are welcome. Any queries contact Tina on 2667699 or 0274404563, any yarn donations are always welcome.

**Zumba** every Saturday 9-10am in the Parish Hall. Cost \$4.00

### **Masses for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary at the Cathedral**

Saturday, 8 December at 8.30 am and a Choral Mass at 7.30 pm with the Cathedral Vocal Ensemble directed by James Tibbles.

Validated parking available for both Masses. *Poster included*

**Contemplative Care:** Healthcare and Meditation, a Meditatio Seminar, with New Zealand healthcare professionals and Laurence Freeman OSB January 17 & 18, 2019 at the Clinical Education Centre, Auckland City Hospital. For more information visit [www.meditatio.org.nz](http://www.meditatio.org.nz)

**Family Faith** The Diocese has a number of ideas and resources concerning advent for families at <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/re/family-faith/learn-together/advent/>

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**Pax Christi Aotearoa** New Zealand AGM will be held at 2F 22 Emily Place, Auckland Central, 5.30pm, Wednesday 12 December 2018. All welcome.

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### **Mercy Spirituality Centre**

104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or [www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz](http://www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz)

### **Advent Series: Encountering the Holy Spirit in Advent**

with Helen Bergin op. Tues 4 & 11 Dec, 7-9pm. \$15 each session. Advent is alive with the Holy Spirit's presence. In Advent 2018 (Year C), the Spirit is not always named 'Holy Spirit' so we will explore Sunday readings for signs of the Spirit!

### **Sacred Expedition: Evangelisation and Settlement in early California**

with Beate Matthies. Fri 7 Dec, 7-9pm. Koha/Donation. If you missed this talk in Nov, Beate will look at the history of the missions, early stories and the fate of these missions today in modern California.

**RETREAT: Who are You O God and Who am I?** with Christina Cathro rmdm. Tues, Wed, Thurs 11, 12 & 13 Dec, 10am-1pm. \$65 per 3-day Retreat. We fall into a particular way of seeing and know God that we are given a lifetime to unveil. This is a silent morning retreat with input from Christina, time to oneself and sharing in a group. See our website for more details. Bookings essential, reg email: [info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz](mailto:info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz)

### **The Word in Other Words is a Bible Diary**

which contains reflections written by Divine Word Missionaries and Sisters Servants of the Holy Spirit working in various mission places in the world. The reflections are based on the Liturgical Readings of the day. A helpful tool for prayer, too. Order now arrives December. It is as a treasured Christmas gift for dedicated volunteers and leaders in your parish. Order by email: [info@missio.nz](mailto:info@missio.nz) or phone (04) 472 2210.

**Explore your Faith** The New Zealand Bishops' Conference provides many opportunities for people to learn more about their faith. Two important aspects of this outreach are Good Shepherd College and The Catholic Institute of Aotearoa New Zealand (TCI). Both offer a variety of courses and qualifications.

**Good Shepherd College-Te Heparā Pai** is where the diocesan seminarians go for their theological formation it is an NZQA-registered tertiary provider offering papers towards level 7 awards; the Bachelor of Theology degree and the Graduate Diploma in Theology.

Details of what is offered in Semester One of 2019 can be found at <http://www.gsc.ac.nz/course-papers/2777-1/>

**TCI** The Catholic Institute of Aotearoa New Zealand offers courses in Religious Education, Pastoral Ministry, Scripture, Theology and Leadership. Courses are available online or in face-to-face classes. To find out more go to [www.tci.ac.nz](http://www.tci.ac.nz) or email [office@tci.ac.nz](mailto:office@tci.ac.nz).

**Parish to Parish Bed & Breakfast** - since the first book was printed 15 years ago, many hosts have suffered health problems or downsized their homes. We urgently require more hosts in places all over the country. I would encourage anyone with a spare bedroom or two in their home to join us. The accommodation does not have to be 5-star - just clean, comfortable and welcoming, as well as being able to provide a light breakfast. The aim is to provide Catholic hospitality and make new friends. The hosts charge a fee of \$35 for one person, or \$30 per person for 2 or more per night. For further information contact Marie Anderson on +64-3-359 5541 or email [marie.ian@xtra.co.nz](mailto:marie.ian@xtra.co.nz).