

**There are only three seats outside of the Church**, for sitting, they need a clean-up. If you know of anyone who has outside seating and outside rubbish bins they would be a good help to making the place more a place of talking and meeting.

**Next Year**, in the early part of the year, the parish will be providing a complete break down on our Financial situation.

**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

**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

**Zumba** last class for the year is next Saturday 22nd December 9-10am in the Parish Hall. Cost \$4.00. **Zumba classes will restart 2nd February 2019**

### **Meditation Group**

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

### **Legion Of Mary:**

Juniors & Intermediate: Fridays at 5pm.  
Seniors: Tuesday 6.30 pm both groups meet in the Parish Lounge. Ph Jacinta 02102649993

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

**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.

### **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.** Starting again second Tuesday in February 2019. Contact Tina 2667699 or 0274404563



**ST ANNE'S PARISH (Est 1947)**  
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### **MARIST COMMUNITY** Ph (09) 266 5826

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### **PARISH OFFICE**

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### **ST ANNE'S PARISH SCHOOL**

Principal: Mr Glen Ryan Ph (09)269 0023

**PARISH NEWSLETTER THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, 16TH DECEMBER 2018**

The invitation of St. John the Baptist, to the people of God, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."

"The Baptist invited the people of his time to conversion. It was clear, it was strong, and it was a tough call, change our ways, turn back to God, make God first. Turn away from doing our own thing. Thinking of and making decisions that only concern ourselves. John knew how to listen, he knew how to be tender, to show ways of forgiveness towards the people who came to him to confess their sins and be baptized."

"Even today, the disciples of Jesus, we are called to be humble, but witnesses of courage, witnesses to renew hope."

Each person asks, "How can I change something in my attitude to prepare the way for the Lord?" What is the heaviness in my heart that I carry.

One step is "making a move to change the way we think of each other, asking for forgiveness of our faults. The Lord helps us in this, if we have good will to each other, even if we have been the offended ones, the hurt ones, we can change the way we live, and act.

Christians are called to help people understand that "despite everything, the kingdom of God continues to be built day by day with the power of the Holy Spirit in the lives of people of good will.

"May the Virgin Mary help us to prepare the way of the Lord day by day, beginning with ourselves,"

Thank you to the Social committee, and Liturgy committee for the beautiful way you welcomed and invited people for the Anointing Mass. The people who came loved the gathering, and really appreciate the time taken to make them welcome. This is a very important part of us... of being a community that can gather our sick, infirm, and elderly together. Thank you.

For the Night of Reconciliation, thank you. To the people who helped organise this night. For those who came it was a great gift of peace for us. There were nine visiting priests who made the effort to serve you. Two gifts of Advent, to pray waiting and watching, for the Lord to come to visit us in new ways, and to be a people healed and at peace with each other.

### **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**

## 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:** Alison Mary Kelly,  
Malaki Jeremiah Tauiliili, (Samoa)  
Alosio Talalelei Godinet,

**The Sick:** Zane Shuthowski, Lagi Vaike, Anne Wallbanks, Noomaunga Aitirau, 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

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

### RCIA Want to Become Catholic?

Ph Therese Kiely 0212636812

**Taize-style Advent Prayer** series at St Anne's. Scripture, prayer, chant, silence. Final week. Come visit the Lord and spend an hour in prayer this Thursday 20 December 8-9pm in the church. This week: "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled". All welcome, enquiries Des Kiely 027-2221672.

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

## 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

### Third Sunday of Advent 16th December

Zephaniah 3: 14-18 Ps: Isaiah 12:2-6  
Philippians 4: 4-7 Luke: 3:10-18

### Fourth Sunday of Advent 23rd December

Micah :5: 1-4 Ps: 79: 2-3. 15-16. 18-19  
Hebrews: 10: 5-10 Luke: 1: 39-44

### St Anne's Christmas Midnight Choir

**Final Practices:** Monday & Tuesday in the Church 7pm Wednesday & Thursday in the hall 7pm. Singers & Musicians welcome.

### NEEDED URGENTLY USHERS AND CAR PARK WARDENS

For our Christmas Eve Mass. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to assist.  
Ph 2665826

**Congratulations to St Anne's** Award Winners, Catholic Character awards, Patricia Lotulelei year 8. Josiah Vaipulu year 6 Boys. Year 8 Scholastic, Chesca Zambrano; Year 6, John Hukui. Maori Achievement, Regina Topia.

### Would Any Retired Carpenters, Workers

Be able to help with some maintenance work on the church site. Lots of little things that would save us big money.

## CHRISTMAS MASS PROGRAMME 2018

### Family Mass Monday 24th Vigil (Carols 6.30pm) Mass starts 7.00pm

### Blessing of the crib

### Midnight Mass 12am (Carols 11.30pm)

### Christmas Day Mass Tuesday 25th 8.00am and 10.00am

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### 1st Sacramental Programme Upcoming Dates:

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

**Confirmation** 7th June 2019 7.30pm

**First Holy Communion** 23rd June 2019

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### Father Percy Kimble sm 'Farewell'

Next Sunday after the 10am Mass, we will have a farewell to Father Percy. Father Percy has been appointed to Napier Parish, and will take up his appointment in January. This will be an opportunity to say thank you to Father Percy. All are welcome.

Plas bring a small amount of food that we could share together and make this occasion a way of expressing our love and gratitude to Father Percy who has worked here in St Anne's for four years.

On the 20<sup>th</sup> of this month is his birthday.

Father Percy will celebrate his 50 years of Profession, belonging to the Society of Mary, on the 7<sup>th</sup> January, and then after that he will make his way down to Napier, in the early Part of the New year.

**The Legion of Mary** has volunteered to do a Cup of tea each month for one of the Masses, We would love other organisations to fill the gaps to offer people the opportunity to talk and meet one another.

### Congratulation to the two schools in our Parish.

For the occasions of your end of year ceremonies.

**A Thank You to Tracey Elder** for her long service at St Anne's, and the twenty years of service to the school. Tracey accepted an appointment to Star of the Sea, Howick. Tracey, we owe you our thanks and we appreciate you for your service to the children of our parish. Blessings on you.

**To Trish McNamara**, you have made the decision to retire from full time teaching. You have had an influence on the young women of our school, years 7 and 8; their faith formation and preparation for life in society. Thank you for your long time of service.

Thank you for those who have come forward to offer their services as Event organisers for Parish Events. If you have that sort of ability and are good at getting things organised, love to have you for the one off occasions we have on our parish that need special efforts to arrange. Love you all to have a look at what has been built in the school. A very wonderful under cover shade and weather protection area. Thanks to the school for allowing us to think of occasion when the whole parish could gather to celebrate together using this facility. It would be an ideal area for Good Friday Ceremony.

### Further Maintenance Work Information.

Above the hall and kitchen, we are working a way of preventing the water from entering the building. This will be a major work, we are looking towards finalizing the way to fix it. We have a building that is nearly forty years old. Our priority is to prevent water entering. This has taken a lot of time and effort on behalf of our Finance and Maintenance people. Thank you John Thurston, Glen Cunningham, Denis Poole, for offering your skills and expertise. We are getting to the stage of making some decisions that will cost a significant amount of money to fix.

**At Each Mass** we need Welcomers and Ushers and people who will look after situations that can arise. If you are a nurse, and would be prepared to make yourself available on a roster to help when the need arises during Mass. If you have had first aid training and would be available to help, if you have Health and Safety tickets, like work place supervisors, etc. We are looking for people to walk around the car park at Mass times to keep an eye on people and their safety. Could you give your name to the Parish Office.

**The Lounge will be Open at each Mass**, for Mothers with children, now there is only the speaker connected to the Church. Our hope is to have a Television Monitor there for you to participate in Mass when your children need special attention while you are with us at Mass.

**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/>

**Hear the Cry of the Poor and of the Earth.** A day of retreat and reflection on hearing the 'cry of the poor and of the earth' through the lives of St. Mary MacKillop who urged us to 'seek the poorest' and ecologist Julian Tenison Woods. Led by Lyndall Brown rsj and Jill McLoughlin rsj 9am-4pm **Saturday 23 February 2019** Mary McKillop Centre 30 Holgate Rd Kohimarama. Cost: \$15 including lunch. Numbers limited. Please register with Peter Garrick [peterg@cda.org.nz](mailto:peterg@cda.org.nz) ph 022 1300 730 to secure your place.

**St Mary's Avondale Community Centre** (SMACC) Christmas in the Carpark on Saturday 22nd December 2018, 2134 Great North Road, Avondale. Vigil Mass begins at 5 pm and the event starts at 6:30pm until 9 pm. All are welcome.

**Music Workshop with Fr Chris Skinner sm** Saturday 23rd Feb 2019 10am-1pm. \$30 incl. morning tea. St Columba Centre, Ponsonby

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

**RETREAT DAY: Rediscovering Wholeness of Life in Christ: How gratitude opens the way** with Sarah Cooper. Sat 16 Feb, 9.30am-3.30pm. \$65 incl. lunch.

**MUSIC WORKSHOP: Psalms and Gratitude** with Fr Chris Skinner sm. Sat 23 Feb, 10am-1pm. \$30 incl. Morning tea. St Columba Centre.

**See our website for more details.**

**Bookings essential, reg email:**  
[info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz](mailto:info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz)

**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).

**The first Diocesan Youth Mass for 2019**

will be held on Sunday, 10 February 2019 starting with praise and worship from 6.30-6.50pm followed by Mass at 7pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. This Mass is co-hosted by the Youth Advisory Council and ACYM. Bishop Patrick Dunn will be our main celebrant for the Mass and will also be commissioning youth leaders, the youth advisory council members and the Auckland Catholic Youth and Young Adult Ministry team.

**All leaders** of ministry with young people in the Auckland Diocese are welcome to come along to this Mass. Please RSVP your parish or youth group name and numbers of leaders attending with Ryanne ([marryanneg@cda.org.nz](mailto:marryanneg@cda.org.nz)) by Monday, 4 February. We have attached your invite to this email.

**Pilgrimages departing in 2019 to**

The Holy Land, Medjugorje and within NZ. Expressions of interest welcome. Visit: [www.pilgrimage.nz](http://www.pilgrimage.nz) or see noticeboard for details. Contact Patricia Parsons on 0274 219 064. E: [info@mirpilgrimages.co.nz](mailto:info@mirpilgrimages.co.nz).