COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2018 are available from the parish office. \$12.00.

THE MARRIAGE COURSE will be starting at STM Church on **Thurs, 19 Oct to 30 Nov 2017** from 7.15pm to 9.30pm. Cost \$70 per couple (dessert included). The Marriage Course is designed to strengthen your relationship. Check out the marriagecourse.org.nz. Booklet on bench in church foyer for more details of course.Contact Jan & Tony—email: admin@allsaintsbythesea.nz to register or ph Parish office.

CATHOLIC MENS GROUP will be meeting on **Wed, 20 Sept** at STM Church complex from 7.30pm. All men are welcome', Contact Emmanuel on 0274114286 or email shanbern@xtra.co.nz

BISHOP DENIS BROWNE will be hosting a Catholic men's group on **Fri, 27 Oct** in Matamata parish. Mass will be held at 5pm followed by the meeting at 6pm. Contact Emmanuel shanbern@xtra.co.nz

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP NEWS: Martin Family Group:

Wed, 20 Sept 10am STM Church Complex. Morning tea please bring a small memento of your life which you can talk about. Otherwise just enjoy the company for a chat. Please bring a small plate.

Kolbe Family Group: Craft Day. All welcome to our family group Craft Day after 9.30 am Mass **TODAY Sun, 17 Sept**. If you are interested in family groups and what they are about, come along and say hi.

EVERY LIFE IS PRECIOUS! 40 years since the passing of the Contraception, Sterilisation and Abortion Act almost 500,000 preborn New Zealanders have been aborted and countless women have been wounded physically, emotionally and spiritually. There is an increasing call for abortion laws to be liberalised for social reasons right up to birth. **Join pro-life New Zealanders in Wellington Sat, 9 Dec at 2pm for a National March for Life.**

Be a voice for the voiceless and let New Zealand know that we love them both! More information at <u>marchforlifenz.org.nz</u> and Facebook or phone/text Michael Loretz 021 825 955.

ADVANCE NOTICE: Bishop Nicholas Hudson from Westminster, UK will be giving two presentations on Evangelisation in our Diocese. **Sat 4 Nov**, St Mary's, Rotorua at 11.30am & **Sun 5 Nov** at Cathedral Hamilton at 2.30pm. Bishop Hudson was the key speaker at the Proclaim Conference in Australia in 2016. Further publicity to come.

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office will be closed on **Tues**, **19 Sept** and Heidi and Margaret will also be unavailable.



Papamoa Coast

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 17 September 2017

SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK 2017 from 10 to 16 SEPTEMBER: WEAVING BONDS OF BELONGING: WHIRIA TE TANGATA

We will be holding a workshop on **Thurs, 21 Sept** at STM Church complex **7.15pm** on the theme" Weaving Bonds Of Belonging". We will discuss the principles of Catholic social teachings: Cultural integration; Building communities at home ,at school, in the neighbourhood.

"We must regain the conviction that we need one another, that we have a shared responsibility for others and the world, and that being good and decent are worth it." Pope Francis

Please join us to share what you do and your ideas. What community do we want for St Thomas More? How do we achieve it?

Please come and share your culture and stories with us,

"Love overflowing with small gestures of mutual care. Is also civic and political, and it makes itself felt in every action that seeks to build a better world". Pope Francis.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Denis Browne at STM Church at **midday on Thurs, 21 Sept.** All welcome. (*Please note: There will be Mass at 9.00am and the Sacrament of Anointing*).

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL: Hi Everyone,

Yes, it's that time of the year, where we once again think of those less fortunate than ourselves and fill a shoe box for a needy child this Christmas. Our Parish has always been so very generous and I'm sure this year will be no exception! It's easy - take a box and pamphlet from the foyer, fill it with little gifts suitable for the age you have chosen (it DOESN'T need to be expensive), and bring it back to the parish office.

All boxes need to be back around the middle of October.

PS If you would like to decorate your box with festive wrapping that's even better - I have heard the children actually keep these boxes as a memento 'that someone cared'!

Any questions please contact Helen: 0274 177 581.

As you know the General Election will be held on Sat, 23 Sept - just over a week away!

This is arguably the most important election in New Zealand's short history. With extreme abortion laws, euthanasia and assisted suicide being proposed by some candidates and parties, we need to storm heaven for mercy that, if it be His will, God will grant us a parliament that will strengthen a Culture of Life in New Zealand.

PRAYER:

That Jesus touch the heart of every New Zealand voter to resolve to elect to public office, only men and women who will defend all human life from conception to natural death. Grant that our next parliament will govern this nation with justice and true mercy for the poor and most vulnerable, especially the unborn, the disabled, the elderly and the sick, so that a culture of life, solidly founded on natural marriage and the family, will grow and flourish and give glory to Your Holy Name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE AND THEOLOGY WORKSHOPS IN TAURANGA. Māori Spirituality – He Rau Toroa in Tauranga: 29 - 30 Sept & 13 - 14 Oct (2 Friday evenings & 2 Saturdays) Ph Cynthia Piper: 07 856 6989 or 0800 217 411 c.piper@tci.ac.nz

POSITIONS AVAILABLE IN THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL TEAM

Are you passionate about Jesus, His Church, and the New Evangelisation? Join the dynamic team that works for the Bishop of the Hamilton Diocese in New Zealand. Three full-time positions are available: Social Justice Animator; Parish Education and Formation Animator; Diocesan Youth Animator. Job Descriptions available on the Diocesan website (New & Events) and our Facebook page Contact Alex Bailey (Pastoral Services Manager) alexb@cdh.org.nz for an application form. Applications close 29 Sept 2017.

100 YEARS CELEBRATION: We would like to invite other parishes to take part in or support with prayers our intended Fatima 100 years celebration at Saint Patrick's, Te Awamutu as we commemorate this significant milestone. Please contact us for more information: office@stpatta.org.nz - 07 871 6109

NEW WEBSITE: www.allsaintsbythesea.nz

Parish Priest: Fr Darren McFarlane; Assistant Priest: Fr Stuart Young

Deacons: Henk Gielen, Vince Shaw, Doug Rewi.

Presbytery: St Patrick's, Queen St, Te Puke, Ph 07 573 5377

Parish Office, 17 Gloucester Rd, Mt Maunganui 3116. Ph 07 575 4807 ext 2.

Email: admin@allsaintsbythesea.nz

YOUTH GROUP NEWS: Tahu for Yr7-9s meet **Friday nights** 6.30-8.30pm. Lighthouse for Yr10-13s meet **Sunday nights** 6.30-8.30pm. Both are in the STM Church complex. All youth welcome!

LOVERS 4 LIFE, ENGAGED WEEKEND COURSE 11 - 12 Nov, at the Marian School Staff room, Grey Street, Hamilton East. 9.00am - 5.00pm on both days. Register contact Joe Hogan at joeh@cdh.org.nz or 027 742 4466.

NEW PARISHIONERS: If you are new to the parish, we extend a warm welcome to you. Please complete the New Parishioner form in the church foyer and place in the box.

DONATIONS TO PARISH OF ALL SAINTS BY THE SEA

Please phone parish office 575 4807 ext 2 to arrange for planned giving envelopes or donations by automatic payments. You will then be allocated a Planned Giving Number and a receipt will be issued in April each year to enable you to claim a tax rebate for your gifting.

CATHOLIC COAST & COUNTRYSIDE Sept issue Parish magazine available in church foyers.

READINGS for 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 24 Sept 2017

. Isaiah 55:6-9 2. Phillippians 1:20-24,27

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon

Tues

Wed

Thurs

Fri

Sat & Sun All Saints by the sea Parish

MASS INTENTIONS: If you wish to have a Mass offered please complete a Mass intention card & hand into parish office or alternatively phone office to arrange. Donation envelopes are available for Mass offerings & can be handed into office. (Yellow intention cards are in a plastic holder on the wall— by statue in STM Church foyer).

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Mt Maunganui 9.30am & 5pm

Te Puke Saturday Vigil 5pm

Please note: these times subject to change

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES Monday 9am Te Puke

9am Te Puke

Tuesday 9am Te Puke

Wednesday 9am Mt

Thursday 9am Mt

Anointing of Sick
After Mass every
Thursday

Friday 9am Mt

Saturday 9am Rosary Mt

RECONCILIATION

Before Mass Tues & Sat (TP) & Wed to Friday (Mt) 8.30am to 8.45am.

NB: Liturgy of Word & Holy Communion Mon & Tues (Mt) 9am

<u>Maketu</u>

Maori Mass
2nd Sunday of
month 11.30am
3rd Sunday of month
Liturgy service
11.30am