

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ROSTER: There is a new roster in the STM Church foyer, on bench.

MORNING TEA ROSTER FOR 2018: Please enter your name & contact details on the clipboard in the STM Church foyer if you are willing to serve morning tea after the 9.30am STM Mass. You will be then placed on a roster. Currently the roster rotates approximately once every 5/6 months. *Thank you.*

LOVERS FOR LIFE (ENGAGED COUPLES COURSE) The next 'weekend course' is on **17-18 Feb 2018** will be held in Hamilton. The next 7 sessions course', facilitated over 7 weeks (evening) will be held in Tga **late Feb 2018**. All couples needing to do either of these courses, please apply for the registration form from Joe Hogan at "joeh@cdh.org.nz" ph 027 742 4466.

TAIZE SERVICE: You are invited to attend the last Taizé service of the year, at St George's Anglican Church, Gate Pa. This is a quiet candle lit, contemplative service, based on the style and music of the Taizé Community in France. **TODAY, Sun, 17 Dec** at 7pm, followed by a light supper.

INVITATION to come along to our "Nine lessons and Carols" event, **today, Sun, 17 Dec** at 7pm at St Peter's Church, Mt Maunganui.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY & VISITING SICK/HOUSEBOUND: If you are being admitted to Tga Hospital and would like to be visited by the hospital chaplain/s, please contact the parish office, or when completing the hospital admittance form, state that you are Roman Catholic. If you are housebound/sick/elderly and would like to receive a visit from the clergy, please contact office.

DONATIONS TO PARISH: Ph parish office 575 4807 ext 2 to arrange for envelopes or donations by automatic payments. You will be allocated a planned giving number and donation receipts are posted in April each year.



All Saints by the Sea

Papamoa Coast

**3rd Sunday of Advent
17 December 2017**

RITE TWO RECONCILIATION **Tues, 19 Dec** at **7pm** at St Patrick's, Te Puke.

MASS MINISTRIES FOR CHRISTMAS:

Please write your name on the clipboard/s in the STM Church foyer if you are available for any of the ministries over Christmas, i.e. STM Vigils 6.00pm & 9.00pm & Christmas Day 9.30am. Your help would be much appreciated.

CALLING ALL BUDDING ANGELS, KINGS, SHEPHERDS AND SINGERS!!

Our Children's Nativity Play will on **Wed 20 Dec** in the Church Rooms at 6pm – Come relive the Christmas story and hear some Christmas Carols – To be followed by a light supper and coffee. For any/all children interested in participating... (Everyone is welcome - friends and family!)

Practice will be **Mon, 18 Dec, Tues, 19 Dec at 10am & Wed, 20 Dec at 4pm** in the Church Foyer. Wednesday's practice will be followed by shared pizza dinner before the play. Come along and get involved. Any questions contact Magda or Janice – hope we see you there! (contact office for phone no.'s)

POLISH CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND FOLK SONGS

Please join us for a festive concert at STM Church on **Thurs, 21 Dec at 6:30 pm**. Three Polish musicians on a tour in Australia and New Zealand will perform for us here in Papamoa. Tickets are \$15 for adults. Children under 14 free. Doors open at 6:00 pm. All profits go to the Polish school for children in Mt Maunganui.

TE PUKE CATHOLIC HALL. Following on from a public meeting and feedback by parishioners on the future of St Patrick's church hall the decision has been made by the Parish Finance team to recommend to the Bishop that the Hall be demolished. Thank you to those who participated in this process and let us continue to look for new opportunities to build our parish. (*Finance Team*)

BAPTISM COURSE: The next course which is run over two sessions will begin on **Thurs, 7 Dec** followed by **14 Dec** at 7pm in the parish complex. If you are expecting a baby or have a child under the age of 8 years that you would like Baptised, please register your interest at the parish office Ph 575 4807ext 2.

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP STEVE LOWE: It is with great joy that I can announce that Pope Francis has appointed Fr Paul Martin SM as the 10th Bishop of the Diocese of Christchurch. Let us join together as a Diocesan family to pray for Bishop-Elect Paul. The Bishop's ordination will take place early in 2018 at a date yet to be decided by Bishop Elect Paul. Let us remember with fondness Bishop Barry Jones as we rejoice in the appointment of a new Bishop for our Diocese.

FOOD DRIVE: The Tauranga Food bank are holding a food drive in the weeks leading up to Christmas. If we all gave two non-perishable items, imagine the difference it would make to many people's Christmases. Containers are in the church foyer.

St VDP CHRISTMAS CARDS are available from parish office, \$2.50 packet 5.

NOTE: The Parish office will be closed from Fri, 22 Dec 2017 through to Mon, 15 Jan 2018. All staff will be on leave during this time.

READINGS for 4th Sun Advent, 24 December

1. Jonah 3:1-5,10 2. 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

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

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

STM, Mt Maunganui

Vigils 6.00pm & 9.00pm

Christmas Day: 9.30am

St Patrick's, Te Puke

Christmas Day: 9.00am

St Peter's, Maketu

Vigil 6.00pm

Note: Sun, 24 Dec: The 9.30am Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation. Vigil Masses (24 Dec) are Christmas Masses. There will be NO 5.00pm Mass on Sunday, 24 Dec at STM Church.

NEW YEAR'S DAY, 1 January 2018

STM, Mt Maunganui

9.00am

St Peter's, Maketu

8.00am

GIVING BACK PROGRAM: Reminder that if you know people that are sick, elderly or have had a baby, take them some meals. The freezer is in the STM church foyer. There are also containers in the basket if you would like to put some meals in the freezer. The freezer and containers are now in the STM church foyer. Please take meals for yourself or a neighbour who is in need.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon

Tues Brian Long RIP (@ Te Puke)

Wed Brian & Marie Manson's special intentions

Thurs Patsy & Buster Peacocke RIP

Fri Tom Uden (snr) RIP

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 phone office to arrange. Donation envelopes are available & can be handed into office. (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

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

Maketu

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