

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.

CDC PHILOSOPHY CAMP: Join Fr Dominique Faure and CDC students to Search for the Truth, Ask the Big Questions, Go Deeper, Have Fun! Aimed at 16-19 year olds. From 3pm, 26 Dec - 2pm, 28 Dec. Cost: \$60 | Includes two nights marae-style accommodation, all meals. Email cameron@cdc.ac.nz | [facebook.com/cdcnz](https://www.facebook.com/cdcnz) | 09-489-8197, CDC, 1 Fred Thomas Drive, Takapuna.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP NEWS:

Martin Family Group: Our end of year function is on **Wed 13 Dec** at the RSA at Dee St, Mt Mgn at 1pm at a cost of \$25 each with a discount for members of that RSA. *Any parishioner who would like a special meal with great company is cordially invited to join us.*

Edge Family Group is having a Christmas meal at Peter and Heather Archer's home today, **10 Dec**, at 5.30pm at 23a Jasmine Plc, Mt Maunganui. A plate of salad please.

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. **Sun, 17 Dec** at 7pm, followed by a light supper.

TAURANGA & MOUNT COASTAL CHURCHES: Hosting another OneVoice gathering today, **Sun, 10 Dec** at 6.30pm-8.30pm at Bethlehem College Events Centre. We look forward to gathering knowing it is the Lord who is inviting us all to unite around His table. <https://www.facebook.com/praytauranga/>

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.

INVITATION to come along to our "Nine lessons and Carols" event. **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.



All Saints by the Sea

Papamoa Coast

**2nd Sunday of Advent
10 December 2017**

RITE TWO RECONCILIATION will be held **Wed, 13 Dec** at St Thomas More at **3pm** and at St Mary's Tauranga at 6:30pm. **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. *Thank you.*

MASS MINISTRIES: If you have recently arrived in the parish or if you wish to now be added to the Mass duties, please consider any or all of the following: We need: Greeters, bringing up Offertory, power-point operators, co-ordinators for Mass preparation, collectors at the Mass, cleaning help for a portion of the church, flower arrangers, and also if you can sing our music groups would welcome you.

If you have a special love of the Word of God and or the Eucharist and meet the following criteria:

- You attend Mass weekly i.e. are faithful to your Sunday obligation;
- There is no area in your life that would bring public scandal to the Church, such as living in an irregular relationship;
- You have a special love for the Eucharist and or the Word;

Then please contact one of us by email or phone.

Fr Stuart EM: ap@allsaintsbythesea.nz or ph 07 575 4807 ext 3.

Deacon Henk EM: deaconhenk@xtra.co.nz or ph 07 575 4807 & ask for Deacon.

We need your assistance, especially on Sunday night Mass. Please consider ministering to others by assisting.

We plan to meet those willing to assist with reading the Word or being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion on **Wed, 13 Dec at 10.00am** at STM Church or **Fri, 15 Dec at 7.00pm.**

***Please ensure that you contact us so we know numbers attending.**

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.*

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)

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 4807 ext 2.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: We welcome into the parish family Joao Salgueiro Rubim De Medeiros who is being Baptised this weekend at STM Church.

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.

GIVING BACK PROGRAM: Reminder that if you know people that are sick, elderly or have had babies 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.

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

NZ CATHOLIC on sale in church foyers. \$4.00

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.

ALL GROUPS USING THE ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH &

COMPLEX: Are required to collect "hire" forms and info re fire safety/evacuation procedures. It is very important that each group nominates a leader or person in charge who will be responsible for ensuring the safety of all persons. These need to be read, signed and returned to the office. Please collect the forms from the parish office or can be emailed. *This includes all Passionist Family Groups and ANY group of persons that uses the complex and church.*

READINGS for 3rd Sun Advent, 17 December

1. Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11 2. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon

Tues John Glaubitz RIP (@ Te Puke)

Wed Fred & Maise Everson RIP

Thurs

Fri Les Churchill 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