

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS— “COME and SEE”-**  
Inquiry Period begins **Thursday evenings at 7.00pm on 1 March.**

**ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...**

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptised Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season.

You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. Please contact Heidi Nield 575 4807 Ext 6 or EM: [pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz](mailto:pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz) if you are interested in finding out more.

**SUBMISSIONS CLOSE THIS TUESDAY, 20 FEBRUARY**

**“END OF LIFE CHOICE” BILL:** Last year in December, David Seymour’s “End of Life Choice” Bill passed its first reading in Parliament. It is now before the Justice Select Committee who are asking New Zealanders to write in and let them know their views on the Bill.

**It is very important that Parliament hears from as many people as possible to** highlight the dangers of such a Bill and to let them know that New Zealand does not need euthanasia or assisted suicide. As the Bishops have pointed out in their letter, it is up to each of us to make a personal submission to the Committee. **Submissions close on THIS TUESDAY, 20 Feb 2018.**

A submission can be as short as a paragraph of 2-3 sentences.

**It is very a simple process on line. [www.notoassistedsuicide.nz](http://www.notoassistedsuicide.nz)**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** We welcome into the Catholic community Sofia Ferris who will be receiving the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

**DONATIONS TO THE PARISH:** If you wish to join the planned giving programme and obtain a tax receipt for your donations, please phone the parish office for a planned giving number. Donations can also be made to the parish bank a/c no. 020342 0050016 16. Thank you.

**PARISH OFFICE:** The office will be closed from Mon, 19 Feb and re-open Wed, 6 March. However, the office will be open in a limited capacity over this time and all emails and phone messages will be responded to as normal. Please ensure all notices for the newsletter are received by **11am each Thursday.** Thank you.



All Saints by the Sea

Papamoa Coast

**1st Sunday of Lent (Year B)  
18 February 2018**

**COMMUNITY ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASSES:** Will occur as part of the **Friday Mass on 23 Feb, 18 May, 17 Aug, 16 Nov.** This will replace the Thursday anointing routine of 2017.

**HOLY FRIDAYS LENT DEVOTION:** Are being held from 7pm-8pm at STM Church. (Stations of Cross, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, Confessions).

**SENT BY CHRIST:** A four week program during LENT. Starting on **Mon** evenings **19 Feb at 7.00pm and also on Tues mornings at 10am** starting **20 Feb.** This program provides a focus for reflection and dialogue on “Our response to being sent by Jesus”. Each session will generally last about an hour. If you would like to attend, please see sign-up sheet in church foyer or contact Heidi 5754807 Ext 6 or email [pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz](mailto:pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz)

**WHO WILL YOU INVITE TO ALPHA?** Alpha begins at STM Church centre, 17 Gloucester Rd, Mt Maunganui on **Wed 21 Feb** starting with ‘Dessert’ at 7pm followed by a 30 minute DVD talk then discussion.

**MINISTRIES CARDS:** Thank you to all those who filled out cards last weekend. If you were away or did not get the opportunity to fill out a weekend Mass ministries card last weekend and you would like to be involved in any ministries, (i.e. Greeters, Gifts/Offertory, Reader, EMC, Usher, money collector, lawns/ gardens, power point, children’s liturgy, church cleaning, choir/music) **please fill out a card** on the bench in the STM church foyer.  
**We are still VERY short of co-ordinators for the 5pm Mass, please consider this ministry.**

**NEW STM WEEKEND MASS MINISTRIES ROSTER:** There are two rosters available on bench in foyer (9.30am & 5.00pm). Please note this is for the month of MARCH only. **There are some new names on these rosters, so please check to see if your name appears.** There will be courses held over the next few weeks for Readers and EMCs and these will be advertised. Rosters are also available on parish website.

**STM CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER** available on bench in foyer.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION.** We meet every **Wednesday** 7.30 – 8.30 pm in the Church.

**THE APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA LEADERSHIP TEAM** will be hosting a BBQ on **Sun 25 Feb** at 5pm Alison and Peter Fitzgerald [352 Cambridge Road, Bethlehem](#), Ph 5799337 or Peter 021 607460. The reasons for the BBQ are various, thanking Deacon Sid Wells and Eileen Wells for their great contribution to AoS over the past 15-20 years. Farewelling Deacon Sid as our AoS Port Chaplain, but not as an AoS Member; Welcoming Deacon John Limrick as our AoS Port Chaplain; Thanking all the AoS members.

**ALL SAINTS BY THE SEA PARISH CATHOLIC COAST & COUNTRYSIDE MAGAZINE – EASTER 2018 ISSUE:** Would parishioners kindly note that contributions of parish group or committee reports, photos and articles of interest for the Parish magazine, Easter issue, are now being gratefully accepted. Contributions should be emailed to the editor at [p.archer@xtra.co.nz](mailto:p.archer@xtra.co.nz). Please note that the final date for acceptance of items will be **1 March** Editor.

**PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP NEWS:**

**Martin Family Group: Wed 21 Feb 10am:** A different order from usual as we will start promptly at 10am with a talk from brother Thomas the son of Dawn and Murray Cole He is always entertaining talking about his work and when he has finished we will have morning tea followed by something a little different. Should any parishioner wish to join us they will be most welcome. Just turn up no obligation for future meetings.

**Family on the Edge:** Infamous Annual Bush Walk with Carole Long. **Sun, 4 March.** We will leave from STM Church after morning tea around 11am. We are on tea duty that Sunday so please bring some biscuits, maybe home cooking. It will be a gentle walk and Carole will bring to your attention things you didn't know existed in the bush. We invite the wider community to join us on that day. Dolores/Bev 0272928617.

**Kolbe Group: Sun 4 March, 11.30/12pm:** Meet at Sapphire Springs, Katikati. Bring your togs, picnic and outdoor games- frisbee, soccer ball etc. Contact Pam Heaton for any questions- [pamsam21@hotmail.com](mailto:pamsam21@hotmail.com)

**WANTED A WHEELCHAIR:** The parish is seeking one or two wheelchairs (in good working order) to assist with elderly parishioners who are having difficulty walking. In an emergency we can quickly evacuate them from the church.

**NEW WEBSITE:** [www.allsaintsbythesea.nz](http://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

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Email: [admin@allsaintsbythesea.nz](mailto:admin@allsaintsbythesea.nz)

## **YOUTH GROUP NEWS - exciting1st event for 2018 !!**

**A Pool Party and lunch to be held on Sun, 25 Feb at noon (approx) at Jo Newcombe-Cook's home.**  
**This invitation is for ALL YOUTH so come along and join in the fun!!**

EM: [jnewcombcook@gmail.com](mailto:jnewcombcook@gmail.com)

**LENTEN SEASON.** This year's theme "Let Us Go Together," is taken from Ven. Suzanne Aubert's writings –The theme reflects on our journey with God and with each other, as we ourselves are transformed and, as we transform the world around us – together.

**Funds raised from the annual Bishop's Lenten Appeal allows us to do lifesaving and life changing work, like prepositioning of emergency supplies around the world.**

By stocking up hygiene kits, tarpaulins for shelter, and even kitchen sets, partners are well prepared in the event of a natural disaster or other emergencies. Because of your support, Caritas Tonga was able to distribute the 1000 prepositioned items in the wake of Tropical Cyclone Gita's wrath.

Donations to this year's Lenten Appeal will help us support communities across the Pacific and beyond.

Preferred meeting time. Thursday 7.30-9pm

or Sunday after 9.30am Mass.

**There will be a clipboard to register your interest.** Queries to Dolores 027 2928617.

### **LENTEN DONATION PACKS/ENVELOPES AVAILABLE IN CHURCH FOYERS.**

#### **READINGS FOR 2nd Sunday in Lent, 25 February**

**1.** Genesis 22:1-2.9-13,15-18 **2.** Romans 8:31-34

**GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-10**

#### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:**

Mon

Tues

Wed

Thurs

Fri

Sat & Sun

Fr Raymond Stachursky RIP

Clare & Mark Stewart

All Saints by the Sea Parish

#### **SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

**Mt Maunganui**  
9.30am & 5pm

**Te Puke**  
Saturday Vigil 5pm

*Please note: these  
times subject to  
change*

#### **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

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

**Monday**  
9am Te Puke

**Tuesday**  
9am Mt & Te Puke

**Wednesday**  
9am Mt

**Thursday**  
9am Mt

**Anointing of Sick**  
During Fri Mass at Mt  
on 23 Feb,  
18 May, 17 Aug,  
16 Nov 2018

**Friday**  
9am Mt

**Saturday**  
9am Rosary Mt

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

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