

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

IN APPRECIATION: Many thanks to the parishioners at Te Puke and Mt Maunganui, when I spoke about the Marist Messenger and thanks to all MM subscribers. *Kevin Head sm.*

ALL SAINTS BY THE SEA PARISH CATHOLIC COAST & COUNTRYSIDE MAGAZINE – CHRISTMAS ISSUE: Would parishioners please note that contributions of parish group or committee reports, photos and articles for the Parish magazine, Christmas issue, are now being gratefully accepted. Contributions should be emailed to the editor at p.archer@xtra.co.nz . Please note that the final date for acceptance of items will be **29 Nov.** *Editor.*

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.

TASTE AND SEE THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD: Speaker, Christine Kornman from Hamilton **5 Dec** 7 pm to 9:30 pm at Aquinas College Chapel 183 Pyes Pa Rd Tauranga. All ladies welcome. Come and join us for our final meeting of the year. More info contact Maree (ph office for contact).

TE PUKE SVdP members are sad to advise you all that **María Cepida Prieto** has died. Just seven days after moving here in June, María suffered a massive brain tumour, and without family in NZ our parishioners rallied around as we helped husband Joe and Tomas(10) and Manuel(13) with food, petrol, money, hope and faith. They flew home to Argentina in August, with her chemotherapy treatment continuing throughout. The 42-year-old knew she was terminally ill, and was well prepared for going home to God; she was also happy to be back with her parents and siblings. She died on Sunday morning and was buried Monday after Requiem Mass in their parish church in the city of "9July", about 400ks north of Buenos Aires. RIP.

SVdP again thanks the St. Patrick's congregation for the very generous support you gave this tragic family, several large anonymous gifts included. Now we ask for your prayers for them in their sadness.

TE PUKE SVdP is seeking a 3-seater sofa, or a complete lounge suite, for a needy family. Any colour and any style will be appreciated. We can collect. Call Ivan or Maree (ph office for contact details).



All Saints by the Sea

Papamoa Coast

**Feast of Christ the King
26 November 2017**

ADVENT SERVICE: An ecumenical service will be held at St John Baptist Anglican church Te Puke on **Thurs 30 Nov at 7pm**. During the service the churches Advent wreathes will be blessed and following the service you are invited to the church hall for supper.

RITE TWO RECONCILIATION will be held **Wed 13 Dec** at St Thomas More at **3pm** and at St Mary's Tauranga at 6:30pm. Te Puke to be advised.

JOB VACANCY: A position for youth coordinator for All Saints By the Sea Parish for 2018 is now open for applicants. Job description can be found on the parish website or at the Parish office. Applications close **8 Dec 2017**.

SOMETHING SPECIAL! An ecumenical event like no other. **TODAY Sun, 26 Nov**, after an unbroken 30 years! The Inter-denominational 30th Anniversary "Solidarity in Respect for Life." to be held at St. Peters Presbyterian Church, Spring St. Tauranga, at **7.15pm Sunday**. A service that honours the unborn, mother-hood, the aged, and all involved in work of Caring for those in need. Bring your teens, your family. *Guest Speaker: Dr. Catherine Byrne.* "The Hospice Approach to Dying" Co-sponsored by Voice for Life & Waipuna Hospice.

NEW PARISHIONERS – INVITATION TO BRUNCH: We extend a warm welcome to any new parishioners. If you have not yet registered on the parish roll and are new to the parish, you are welcome to come to the new parishioners brunch (children most welcome also!) to be held at the STM Church complex on **Sun, 3 Dec after the 9.30am Mass**. Please let Heidi know if you intend coming. We would love to see you there! Email: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz or ph 575 4807.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE Christmas Lunch will be on **Thurs, 7 Dec at 12 noon**. Cost is \$15.00 per head. To be held at St Thomas More Church centre.

FOOD DRIVE: The Tauranga Food bank are holding a food drive in the weeks leading up to Christmas. This is always a difficult time for those in need. 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.

CHANGING ROOMS: Due to a shortage of office space the present sacristy at St Thomas More Church will be shared with Deacon Henk as his office. The utility room will be used as a vestry for the clergy. The cleaning equipment and flower supplies will be from cupboards in the main foyer area of the church. We apologise for the inconvenience but we feel that this is a better use of the space we currently have. Please feel free to ask the clergy for clarification as to where everything is.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP NEWS: Martin Family Group: Wed 29 Nov 10am; We will meet at the Pacifica cafe Tara Road. If you need a lift please let me know and I will arrange it. Please note in you diaries our end of year function. The date is **Wed 13 Dec** the venue is the RSA at Dee Street 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 on **10 Dec**, at 5.30pm at 23a Jasmine Plc, Mt Maunganui. A plate of salad please.

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 marchforlifenz.org.nz and Facebook or phone/text Michael Loretz 021 825 955.

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 in the evening, will be held in Tauranga starting in **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" or phone on 027-7424466.

NEW STM CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER available on bench in foyer.

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

STM WEEKEND MASS MINISTRIES ROSTER in foyer.

DAILY MASS CALENDARS 2018: For those who ordered these, they have arrived & are available to collect from the office. \$3.00 each.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS on sale in STM Church foyer \$12 (& at office).

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS CARDS on sale also, packet \$2.50 for packet 5.

ALL GROUPS USING THE ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH & COMPLEX: Are required to collect "hire" forms and instructions 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.**

DONATIONS TO PARISH: Ph parish office 575 4807 ext 2 to arrange for envelopes or donations by automatic payments.

READINGS for 1st Sun Advent, 3 December

1. Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1,3-8 2. 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

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| Mon | Peter & Rosemarie van Dam (wedding anniv) |
| Tues | |
| Wed | Fergus & Dorothy O'Meeghan |
| Thurs | Fr Stuart's intentions |
| Fri | Noeline Vaughan |
| 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