**CWL Raffle:** A very big thank you to all those who supported the CWL raffles for the West Ambae School in Vanuatu. The winners were: Pauline Lloyd (x2!); Audrey, Lynn, Mary Begley, Jae Lauley, Cathy, Kyra Ormsby. Please ring Margaret Sherry if unable to pick up your prize. (contact office for phone no.)

**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**.

**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 <u>Tauranga</u>. All ladies welcome. Come and join us for our final meeting of the year. More info contact Maree (ph office for contact).

**HOLY MASS IN FILIPINO:** Everyone is invited to attend our Mass on the Solemn Feast of the Immaculate Conception with our Filipino chaplain, Fr Fernando Alombro, at St. Mary Immaculate Church on **Fri, 8 Dec** at 7pm. The Filipino community will sponsor the liturgy but all parishioners are welcome. Please bring a plate to share after the Mass, for a simple fellowship that follows immediately.

#### 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 on **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 One Voice gathering on **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. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/praytauranga/">https://www.facebook.com/praytauranga/</a>



## 1st Sunday of Advent 3 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. Te Puke to be advised.

**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*.

**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 <u>5/6 months</u>. Thank you.

**NEW PARISHIONERS – INVITATION TO BRUNCH:** We extend a warm welcome to any new parishioners. you are welcome to come to the new parishioners brunch (children most welcome also!) to be held at the STM Church complex **TODAY Sun, 3 Dec after the 9.30am Mass**. Come join us—we would love to see you there!

**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.

**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.

**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.

**NEW STM CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER & WEEKEND MASS MINISTRIES** on bench in STM Church foyer. Two rosters—9.30am & 5.00pm.

**DAILY MASS CALENDARS 2018:** Available to collect from the office. \$3.00. If you ordered one, please collect.

**PARISH OFFICE** Will be closed on **Fri, 8 Dec**. Please ensure all notices for newsletter are received by <u>Thurs, 11am</u>.

MARCH FOR LIFE— NEXT Sat, 9 Dec, at 2pm from the Civic Square in Wellington, Kiwis will March for Life to the Parliament in the spirit of love and support for our hurting community. We say "Life is worth it, you are not alone, we care!" Join us. This celebration of Life is fully Endorsed by the New Zealand Catholic Bishops' Conference. We are a people of hope! We are a people of love. 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matt 25:40www.marchforlifenz.org.nz

MASS FOR LIFE You and your families are invited to a special Mass for Life at St Anne's Catholic Parish, Emmett St, Wellington at 7:30pm celebrated by Monsignor Burns. Come and pray on this feast of the Immaculate Conception for the unborn, pregnant mothers and for a new culture of respect for life from conception to natural death. We also pray for the success of the National March for Life the following day. Further information on this or the March for Life, contact Clare on 04 237 8343 or Michael on 021 825 955

More info including resources, ideas and guidelines are online at <a href="www.marchforlifenz.org.nz">www.marchforlifenz.org.nz</a>. I am available to talk with you at any time. Please don't hesitate to call me on 021 825 955 or email at <a href="Michael@fli.org.nz">Michael@fli.org.nz</a> if you'd like to ask or check on anything regarding the march.

**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 maraestyle accommodation, all meals. Email <a href="mailto:cameron@cdc.ac.nz">cameron@cdc.ac.nz</a> | facebook.com/cdcnz | 09-489-8197,CDC, 1 Fred Thomas Drive, Takapuna.

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

**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

**LIFE IN THE HOLY LAND:** The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem invites you to a presentation on what life is like today in the Holy Land, home of our Mother Church, and on the work of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre and the Franciscans for the Christians who live there. Venue: Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Hamilton After 10.30am Mass on **Sun, 10 Dec.** 

### **ALL GROUPS USING THE ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH &**

**COMPLEX:** Are required to collect "hire" forms and info re fire safety/evacuation procedures. It is <u>very important</u> 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 2nd Sun Advent, 10 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:**

Mon Tues

Wed Josephine, Pat & Tony Noble RIP

Thurs Bill Fogden RIP Fri Ted Dooley

Sat & Sun All Saints by the Sea Parish

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>: 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

## <u>Maketu</u>

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