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 5754807 Ext 6 or EM:

"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 20 Feb 2018**. In addition to the **Bishops letter** and **Quick Facts Sheet**, which explains the risks associated with euthanasia and assisted suicide, we will be handing out a one page **Submission Guideline** that helps you write your submission. A submission can be as short as a paragraph of 2-3 sentences.

To assist you in making your submission there will be a submission writing session after Mass today.... Come along and we will provide you with everything you need to complete your submission right away—it will only take a few minutes. Please come along after Mass.... Or preferably take the material being handed out today and do yours at home on line—it is very a simple process on line. Also pick up detailed brochure from "Family First". PROTECT.org.nz

40 DAYS FOR LIFE STARTS SOON: 40 Days for Life is one way you can make a real difference! If you are able to stand in prayer for just one hour this Lent for the unborn and their mothers, please join a 40 Days for Life vigil by signing up your hour at www.fli.org.nz/40daysforlife or text "40 Days" to 021 825 955. If you are not able to do that, please pray and fast within your parish community for an end to the tragedy of abortion and a new respect for life from conception to natural death. Contact Michael via email at Michael@fli.org.nz to learn how.



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4 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.

TUESDAY MASSES: Every **Tuesday** at STM 9am and at Te Puke 9am. (NB Te Puke Mass may be cancelled at short notice).

HOLY FRIDAYS LENT DEVOTION: Beginning **16 Feb** from 7pm-8pm at STM. (Stations of Cross, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, Confessions).

YOUTH GROUPS: All Parents, Caregivers and youth group supporters and leaders are invited attend a meeting at STM church on **Thurs 8 Feb at 7pm** to discuss youth ministry for 2018. Due to unforeseen circumstances we have been unable to secure a youth worker for the year and we need to discuss a way to ensure our youth groups can continue. *Fr Darren*

INVITE A FRIEND TO EXPLORE LIFE, FAITH AND MEANING. A personal invitation is the most effective way to invite someone to try Alpha. Millions of people have tried Alpha around the world. Attached are 'invites' to make it easy for you to invite someone.

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

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

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Our first meeting for 2018 will be morning tea at Pacifica Garden Centre and café, Tara Rd, Papamoa; **10.15am Thurs, 15 Feb.** Those that want to car pool please meet at STM Church after the 9.00am Mass.

OLD PALMS—Please put these in the basket in church foyer. Thank you.

CALLING HELPERS FOR ALPHA: If you would like to assist on a roster basis during 11 weeks of Alpha then I would love to hear from you. Alpha begins on **Wednesday evenings from 21 Feb – 9 May.**

Two people are required each week to help with serving of dessert, clear tables, dishes etc. If you feel you would like to serve in this very rewarding ministry then please let me know. You are welcome to help just one week or more if you are able to. Volunteers in the past have found this a great way to meet fellow parishioner(s). If someone would also like to give of their service to weekly laundering of tablecloths during these weeks this would also be greatly appreciated. Many thanks in advance. Please see clipboard on bench in STM foyer or phone Heidi 5754807 ext 6 and leave a message or email: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz Thank you, Heidi

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 for the church.

VINNIES, The Society of St Vincent de Paul WBOP: THANK YOU! To all parishioners who gave generously to our Christmas food appeal. We appreciate you helping us to fill the kitchen cupboards of the many in need over this time.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTION TO VOLUNTEER? = WE NEED YOU = If you have been wanting to become a volunteer we would love to hear from you. We currently have volunteer vacancies for shop work, small van driving/assistant and Project Fullstop (food truck). Full training will be given. The roles are varied from counting puzzles and sewing buttons to moving furniture and van driving. Join our friendly team now and become a Vinnies Volunteer! = WE HELP PEOPLE = Please ph Lorna for info: 579 6453 / 021 027 33419

THE APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA LEADERSHIP TEAM will be hosting a BBQ on **Sun 25 Feb** at 5pm Alison and Peter Fitzgerald <u>352 Cambridge Road, Bethlehem</u>, 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.

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.

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

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 . Please note that the final date for acceptance of items will be **1 March** *Editor*.

BOP DOVE FELLOWSHIP FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN:

The Joy of the Lord is My Strength, 13 Feb at 7pm to 9:30pm at Aquinas College Chapel, 183 Pyes Pa Rd Tga

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP NEWS: Martin Family Group:

Well the New Year is here and we are sure it will be a great year. In future our meeting dates will be the first and third Wednesday of each month. I am sure you will soon get used to the new schedule. Please welcome our new members and if you can please visit others of the group who are not so mobile these days.

Wed 7 Feb noon: Our first meeting will be lunch at the park at Maketu with a choice of either fish and chips or the famous Maketu pies. Please bring chairs to sit on and a drink for lunch either hot or cold your choice. If the weather is inclement or otherwise no good for an outside lunch then we will divert to a nearby cafe. For those who need a lift we will gather at the church at 11.00am with spare seats. At that stage we will decide of we need to change the venue.

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.

READINGS FOR 6TH Sunday in Ordinary Time, 11 Feb

Just turn up no obligation for future meetings.

1. Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46 **2.** 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

GOSPEL: Mark 1:40-45

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon Tues

Wed Harley Harris RIP

Thurs

Fri Deceased members of Burns family

Sat & Sun 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