

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, 17 November 2024

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Children's Choir Fundraiser

A big thank you to all the parishioners who generously donated to help raise funds for choir robes for our new children's choir. We have reached our goal, and we are incredibly grateful to everyone who contributed. Please keep this choir in your prayers, that it may be fruitful.

Kind regards, Fr. Eamon Kennedy

PASTORAL LETTER – November 2024: In this week of recognition and apology, the New Zealand Bishops have asked that a pastoral letter be read at all Masses this weekend. The letter will take the place of the homily, and be followed by a litany of lament.

Their message is directed to the Catholic faithful who have felt the impact of abuse. The message will reference the apology for the Church's past response, and though the serious issues addressed may be distressing, they are part of our journey of building a strong safeguarding culture within our Church community.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS: Many families are in need, Christmas time will be hard for many. Presents are needed for those less fortunate than others. Please help by donating a small gift or toy for families at Christmas. Leave in the box in library area. These will be distributed to families and will help make their Christmas special.

2025 BIBLE DIARIES (via Fr Prakash - with daily prayers, daily Readings, short reflections, Saints of the Day & short quotes) available for purchase from the parish office \$20. For Te Puke parishioners, please request a Bible Diary from Geraldine.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS CARDS are on sale. Pack of 5 for \$5.00. Money is used to help those in need.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS: Are selling fast – if you want to secure one, please purchase from the parish office - \$12.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2025:

The Sacramental Programme will begin in (Term1) February 2025 for children that are Baptised Catholic in preparation to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation & First Holy Communion.

Children are required to be over the age of 8 years.

Parent Information & Enrolment evenings are on the following dates:

Friday 6 December at 4pm

Tuesday 10 December at 4pm and 6pm

(parents only need to attend – only <u>one</u> of these evenings)

NB: Please bring along a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.

If you require further information please contact: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY: The Mass will be held this **Tues**, **19 Nov** at St Patricks, Te Awamutu at 11.00am. All welcome.

Blessing of the graves takes place at Ōhaupō Catholic Cemetery following Mass, we advise caution if you wish to attend this. The turn in and out of this entrance is onto SH3 which is an extremely busy road and parking is limited.

2025 SUZANNE AUBERT CALENDARS: Are available for purchase for \$15.00. Please contact: Tania 027 641 4085.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION – RITE II:

St Mary Immaculate Church, Tauranga Wed, 4 December 7.00pm St Thomas More Church, Mt Wed, 11 December 7.00pm

'I thirst' A VOCATIONS RETREAT FOR MEN: Are you single man who yearns to quench the thirst of the Lord? Might you be open to being one of His priests? Come - follow Bishop Richard Laurenson as he, Fr Adam and Fr Isaac lead a retreat to help you discern your vocation. Fri, 6 Dec – Sun, 7 Dec; Cluny Retreat Centre, Tauranga; \$50; officectf@cdh.org.nz

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE: The next course will be held at St Thomas More parish centre on **Mon, 2 Dec from 7-9pm.** If you wish to have your child (aged 6 years & under) receive the Sacrament of Baptism, Catholic parents are required to attend a course. Please contact the parish office to register.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE Members are invited to the Christmas luncheon on **TUES**, **26 Nov** at 12pm at the parish centre. Please bring a plate to share, money for the raffle and an item for the raffle at the Diocesan conference next year.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP NEWS: St Patrick's Family Group meeting **Sun, 24 Nov** at Bayswater Village Restaurant 12.30pm. Any queries ph Merrilyn 575 4148.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE: Do you feel called to respond to the invitation of Our Lady Queen of Peace to be with her in Medjugorje? Millions of pilgrims have responded and have experienced an extraordinary, grace-filled pilgrimage. Join Mir Pilgrimages and chaplain Fr Joy Thottamkara on a group pilgrimage departing **22 May 2025** for 10 fulfilling days and nights experiencing 'Medjugorje In-Depth'. See your parish noticeboard or call Patricia Parsons on 027 421 9064.

FUNDRAISING CONCERT at St. Mary of the Cross Parish in Rotorua is hosting a Fundraising Concert and Dessert Night with Fr. Chris Skinner on **Sat**, **23 Nov 2024 at 6.30pm**. We invite your parish community to join us for this uplifting evening. Held at St Mary of the Cross Church, 40 Seddon St, Rotorua. Ticket \$45 (includes dessert). Ph Kathy 021 267 1586

RETREAT: We will be running a Theology of the Body retreat based on the "YOU" program. **30 Nov to 1 Dec 2024**; Email Juanita, juanitar@cdh.org.nz for more details and to register.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2024:

ALL SAINTS PARISH, MT MAUNGANUI

St Patrick's Church, Te Puke: Vigil 5.00pm

St Thomas More Church, Mt: Vigil 7.00pm & 10.00pm

Christmas Day:

Suzanne Aubert School, Papamoa: 8.30am St Thomas More Church, Mt: 10.00am

ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH, TAURANGA:

St Mary Immaculate Church, Tga: Vigil 5.00pm & 7.00pm & 10.00pm

St Joseph's Church, Te Puna: Midnight/12.00

Christmas Day:

St Mary Immaculate Church, Tga: 9.00am St Therese Church, Bethlehem 9.00am

St Joseph's Church, Matakana Is Midnight/12.00

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ROSARY is held at 9am on **Mondays** (no 9am Mass) & **Tuesday to Saturday** after the 9am Mass at STM Church.

PUBLIC ROSARY every **Wednesday** at 6pm, outside STM Church. For more information please see https://public-rosary.org/https://t.me/NZPrays

ADORATION & BENEDICTION is held on **Wednesday** at STM Church after the 9am Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Wednesday & Saturday 9.30am (after the 9am Mass).

READINGS for Feast of Christ the King, 24 Nov 2024

1. Daniel 7:13-14 2. Revelations 1:5-8 **Gospel:** John 18:33-37

MASSES FOR THIS COMING WEEK: Tues, 19 Nov to Sun, 24 Nov 2024

STM Church

9am Tues Yvonne Davies RIP

9am Wed Fergus & Dorothy O'Meeghan RIP

9am Thurs Bryan Rose RIP
9am Fri Maggie McGuire RIP
9am Sat Barry Sutter RIP
10am & 5pm Sun Missa Pro populo

St Patrick's Te Puke

5pm Sat Vigil

Suzanne Aubert School

8.30am Sun

11.30am Maketu (2nd Sunday of month)

If you wish to have a Mass offered, contact the parish office & if you have a particular date that you would like the Mass offered, please "book" the Mass well in advance.