



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 14 July 2024

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On Wednesday, the readings from the Mass (Matthew 10:1-7) tell us how Jesus appoints his disciples and names them as follows: “First Simon, who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him.”

It is interesting for us to Google the different Apostles' names and learn something about them. There were two sets of brothers and three pairs of Apostles who shared the same name (Simon, Judas, and James). For example, James the son of Zebedee is also called James the Great, and James the son of Alphaeus is also called James the Lesser. These are fun facts that help us to understand the Scriptures better.

Last weekend, the chairperson of the Parish Finance Council, Sharyn Mudgway, presented the Parish Finance report for 2023. There are spare copies of it for you to read in the foyer of the church.

Kind regards,
Fr. Eamon Kennedy

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Have you or someone you know asked about ‘Becoming a Catholic’?
Do any of these describe you?

- Are you interested in learning more about Christianity and the Catholic Church?
- Are you a baptised Catholic who has not yet received First Holy Communion or Confirmation?
- Are you married to a Catholic and attend Mass, but just do not know what the next step may be in becoming Catholic?
- Would you like to better support your children at a Catholic school.

Sessions are held weekly on **Thursdays at 7.00pm** in the STM church centre, 17 Gloucester Rd, Mt. Come and join us.

Please express your interest by contacting Heidi Nield (Faith Formation Coordinator) 575 4807 Ext 6 or Email: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM: Couples for Christ BOP: A series of 8 talks, every **Sat, starting 20 July at 1pm** at STM Parish centre. Free admission. Open to men, women and couples. Refreshments served. Contact Dan 021 058 5435 or Cheryll 021 070 5234 to register.

LOCAL ELECTIONS: A friendly reminder of the importance of voting in the pending elections and as the city returns to full democracy. Voting papers are being sent out this Friday I believe. Personally I am standing for the Mount Maunganui Ward. Blessings, Michael O'Neill

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE – MISSION RAFFLE: Tickets will be on sale at Masses on **14 & 21 July**. \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5. If you buy a ticket using the Parish eftpos machine, please give your receipt to the raffle table.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP: St Patricks Family Group meeting **Fri, 19 July** at STM Parish lounge for shared finger food lunch 12 noon. Any queries ring Merrilyn 575 4148.

HEARTS AFLAME CATHOLIC SUMMER SCHOOL is back again this summer with ten days of world-class lectures, uplifting prayer and authentic community! Hearts Aflame is a life-changing experience for young adults aged 18 to 35 who want to know more about their faith, have an authentic encounter with Christ and meet other Catholic young adults from all over New Zealand.

Join us this year at Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton, from **3-12 January 2025!** Registrations open **14 July** at 2pm: we sell out fast so be in quick! Visit heartsaflame.org.nz to register or find out more.

SAVE THE DATE!!!! As part of our Spring 2258 dedication to the sanctity of life, we will be coming together to march 'around the block' in Hamilton city. More info to come, but for now save **15 September 11:30am** (following 10:30am Mass at the Cathedral).

2258 "Human life is sacred because from its beginning it involves the creative action of God and it remains for ever in a special relationship with the Creator, who is its sole end. God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning until

its end: no one can under any circumstance claim for himself the right directly to destroy an innocent human being."

GIVING BACK PROGRAM: If you require a meal, or know someone who needs a meal or two, there are frozen meals available to those in need. If you know of anyone that needs a meal due to ill health or new baby please take some from the freezer.

LET KIDS BE KIDS: Parents, grandparents & adult family/friends a chance to hear founders of "Let Kids Be Kids" inform you of why we adults must protect our young family members. Let Kids Be Kids is touring NZ and will be in Tauranga on *Friday 19th July 6.30pm Bethlehem Community Hall Bethlehem.*

YOUTH GROUP! Are you a student in Years 7-13? Come join us @ St Thomas More Church (Parish Lounge) on the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month from 7-8.30pm. Join us for fellowship, fun and dessert! If you would like any more information please email youthgroup@allsaintsbythesea.nz

PARISH MORNING TEA: After the 10am Sunday Mass at STM everyone is most welcome to come along to join parishioners for a cuppa and chat.

CURRENT OPEN RETREATS: Cluny Retreat Centre has two-weekday retreats, one starting on a Tuesday night and finishing on a Sunday, the other starting on a Sunday night finishing on a Friday. Cluny also has a weekend retreat in the Spring. August 20 - 25, September 13 - 15,

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: "Prayer of the Heart" held fortnightly on a **Tues** 7pm-8pm on **16 July** at STM Church, M Maunganui. We welcome all. Experience and develop Christian Meditation in a holistic setting. Ph Paula 027 576 5235. Also held on the 1st Friday of the month – if interested contact Clare 021 157 3973.

TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY:

Shining the Light - Women who changed the course of the biblical narrative with Debbie Miller. **Sunday, 28 July 2024**, 5-6pm (Zoom). Fee: \$20.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/shining-the-light-women-in-the-bible/>

For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

FOUND ITEMS: Car key remote (Suzuki) & a separate key with an "elephant" attached; & a pair rosary beads in a small container. Please collect from the parish office if they belong to you.

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ROSARY is held **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.

READINGS 16th Week in Ordinary Time, 21 July 2024

1. Jeremiah 23:1-6 2. Ephesians 2:13-18 Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

MASSES FOR THIS COMING WEEK: Tues, 16 July to Sun, 21 July

STM Church

9am Tues

9am Wed

9am Thurs

9am Fri

9am Sat

10am & 5pm Sun

Edward Fernandes RIP

Allan Rook RIP

Philip Sherry RIP (Rosary Group)

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.