



“Go, and do the same yourself”



In the Gospel (Luke 10:25-37) for this Sunday’s Mass, Jesus gives us the exquisite parable of the Good Samaritan. His message is powerful; that neither nationality nor religion nor race should set a limit to our responsibility of coming to the aid of another human being. To grasp better his teachings, one needs to be aware that there is irreconcilable hostility, as mutual as it was deep, that marked the relationship, between Samaritans and Jews. The Samaritan showed by his action that he correctly recognised ‘a neighbour’ even in the hated Jew. Human fraternity imposes duties that extend beyond the realm of friends, colleagues and acquaintances. While sometimes it is easier said than put into practice, to help another human in need is still nevertheless the very essence of being human itself.

Jesus gave the parable to draw the right answer from a lawyer who was trying to disconcert him. The lawyer grudgingly, admitted it was the Samaritan (“...the one who showed pity”) who proved himself in living the commandment “love your neighbour as yourself”. He then urged the lawyer to imitate in his own life what he had recognised as a truly neighbourly act;

“Go, and do the same yourself”

We cannot love and worship God without paying attention to the neighbours who are in need.

In Christ, Fr Michael

A Day of Prayer

Saturday – Aug 3, 2019, starting 8.15am

Sockburn

The Day of Prayer to pray for the Holy Spirit’s guidance with the Bishop’s Plan to re-structure the Diocese contained within “**Our Faith Our Future**”. As Catholics we have our Faith in God to provide guidance in times of need. We know that all things come from him, that all things are in his hands. The full programme will be advertised soon for you to sign up. It will include: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, Family prayer, Mass, reconciliation, stations of the cross, singing, etc

HYMNS for Sunday Mass

Entrance Hymn:	L924	Brother sister let me serve you...
Response to the Psalm:		Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.
Communion:	L892	The Lord hears the cry of the poor....
Recessional:	L334	Ave Maria
Gloria & Creed (Words):	Pages 202 & 205	

Next Sunday's Readings

First Reading:	Genesis	18:1-10
Second Reading:	Colossians	1:24-28
Gospel:	Luke	10:38-42

PARISH NOTICES

2019 CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

Registrations Close August 1st. Please register now. Forms are located in side the church foyer or outside the parish office.

BISHOPS PLAN AREA MEETING

Bishop Paul has recently released a pastoral letter on his vision for the diocese and a proposed plan for the future structure of parishes. A meeting for the proposed parishes of Sockburn, Hornby, and Riccarton is to be held on **Wednesday 17th July**, 7.30pm at the St Thomas of Canterbury school hall, 69 Middlepark Rd, Sockburn. Bishop Paul will be at the meeting to share his vision along with diocesan staff. There will be an opportunity for questions and answers. Feedback for the Bishop's proposed plan has now opened. Information on the Bishop's proposed plan can be found on the website www.ourfaith.chchcatholic.nz

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Next Sunday July 21st is Catholic Social services collection for their foodbank. If you are able to donate non perishable items for their collection it would be greatly appreciated.

PRAYER GROUP

OLV Parish Prayer group meet every Tuesday evening in the Bishop Joyce Centre from 7.30pm - 9.00pm. All are welcome (no commitment is necessary) for all enquiries or prayer requests, please contact Joan on 342 8026.



Emergency Procedures for OLV Church are on the Noticeboard. If you are new or visiting Our Lady of Victories please take note of the exits

DIOCESAN NOTICES

For other Diocesan notices please see the Diocesan website

www.chchcatholic.nz

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

Open day 28th July Lyttelton. Seafarers generally work long hours for little pay, for months at a time away from their families. The Apostleship of the Sea is the Catholic ministry which serves the needs of seafarers. We provide a safe centre in Lyttelton to assist with the basic and spiritual needs of all seafarers. We need more volunteers for the centre. Full training is provided. Come find out more at our Community Open Day Sunday 28th July 1pm to 3pm, 18 Norwich Quay, Lyttelton. For more info please contact Jess Armstrong, 021 222 0340, lyttelton.seafarers.centre@gmail.com, www.aos.org.nz

CATHOLIC BUSINESS NETWORK LUNCH

Thursday 8 August, Town Hall 12-2pm. In the wake of the earthquakes, Bishop Paul Martin SM is leading the Diocese of Christchurch through the single largest financial investment undertaken by the Catholic Church in New Zealand. You are invited to attend the second luncheon for the Catholic Business Network of the year to hear about his exciting new vision for the Church. Tickets to this event are selling fast. To purchase a ticket email events@cdoc.nz or phone 03 366 9869.

PRAYER MINISTRY - We have a prayer team that can offer prayer for people at any time. We are inviting you to join the team. So what is expected of you? A prayer request will be forwarded to you by text message. Upon receipt of the text you will pray for the intention. You do not have to go anywhere or make contact with anyone. Just pray where you are, then continue to pray for the intention in your regular prayer time. If you would like to be part of this ministry please send me your name, cell phone number and email address to email: prayer@fdm.org.nz If you would like more information, please ring me on **021 413 659**. To request prayer, text details to: **021 413 659** or email: prayer@fdm.org.nz

THINKING DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD?

Speak to any priest or contact Vocations Director Fr. John O'Connor vocations.chch@gmail.com



*Eternal Rest Grant
unto them O Lord, and
let perpetual light
shine upon them. May
they rest in Peace.*

We remember those whose funerals were held at OLV church and whose anniversaries occur at this time:

14/7 Elizabeth Baker, Hilda Lindsay (Sr Mary Raphael RSM), Martin Mongan, Marguerite (Rita) Cleary, Franciscus (Frank) Aarts, Mary Buckland, Kathleen Curry, Joyce Wormington,
15/7 Adelina Anderson, Marjorie Hendren, Brian Brown, Eric Dougherty
16/7 Herbert Vine, David Cunningham
17/7 Edna Evans, Hubert O'Rourke, Br Arthur O'Kane CFC
18/7 Margaret Coughlan, Daniel Murphy, Mervin Bascik, Winifred Brosnahan,
19/7 Ethel Double, Cyril Healy, Roger Wederell, Mary Pemberton,

Please also pray for the happy repose of the Soul of Leo Forde whose Funeral Mass was celebrated in the church on Thursday.

FORMATION EVENTS COMING UP AT SOCKBURN

This forms part of the Parish's Pastoral Plan to run 'Formation Programmes' every year. We have had Dr Andrew Wood the last three years but this year we are using Diocesan resources. Please support this initiative.

HELPING PEOPLE GRIEVE: RUNNING SEASONS FOR GROWTH IN YOUR PARISH –

Lauren Butler Thursday August 29th 7pm

Seasons for Growth is a 4-week programme run by trained facilitators to enable people to understand, express and work through their experience of change, loss and grief. Since its launch in 1996, Seasons for Growth has reached over 200,000 children and young people, as well as thousands of adults, in Australia, New Zealand, the UK, Ireland and Peru. The programme is based on the belief that change, loss and grief are normal and valuable parts of life. We examine the impact of changes such as death, separation, divorce, natural disaster, etc. upon our lives, and explore how we can learn to live with and grow from these experiences.

A number of parishes are running the programme. This information session will provide an introduction to the programme and how it runs in parish communities with trained facilitators.

HOW ART AND IMAGE WILL SUCCESSFULLY RE-ENGAGE YOUR PARISH

Damien Walker Thursday September 26th 7pm

The modern world is in turmoil. Many people do not believe in the truth. They're not interested in goodness. But they cannot resist beauty! In this engaging and interactive talk, Damien Walker from the Studio of St. Philomena, will demonstrate and explain, through the use of images, physical artwork and examples from Canterbury and around the world, how your parish can create spaces that will help get more people back into your pews and money into your plate.

UNDERSTANDING CATHOLIC TEACHING ON ABORTION, EUTHANASIA & OTHER LIFE ISSUES –

Brendan Malone Thursday October 10th 7pm

Issues such as abortion and euthanasia often evoke strong criticism from non-Catholics, and in the face of such criticism we can feel powerless to charitably explain our Catholic beliefs in these important areas. This presentation explores why the Catholic Church teaches what she does about issues like abortion and euthanasia, and why the best available human reasoning and scientific evidence strongly supports the Catholic teaching that all human beings should be respected from the moment of conception.

PARISH OFFICE

There is a Mail Box outside the Parish Office. Outside Office hours, you may use it for payment of Attendance Dues, Mass intentions requests etc.

Tuesday to Friday
9.00am - 2.30pm

These hours are subject to change without notice

WEEKLY LITURGY

The times below are indicative of normal weekday routine. A funeral or other pastoral need may lead to them being cancelled or changed. Please read the Bulletin for any other changes to our 'normal' routine.



SUNDAY MASSES

6.00pm Saturday Vigil
10.00am Sunday
5.00pm Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 7.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am + 11.15am Mercy House
Friday 9.00am
Saturday 9.00am



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION

Last Friday of the month, Holy Hour 2-3pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 11.00 - noon
(or by private arrangement)

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Thursday 7.00pm
(not during the Winter Months April - Sept)

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PREFERENCE FORMS MEETINGS & INTERVIEWS

If you are a parishioner and you want a Preference Form to enroll your child in a Catholic school in the next **18 months**, and your child is **baptised a Catholic**, then please attend one of the meetings scheduled **August 7th & Sept 11th** at 5.30pm (sharp!) at the Bishop Joyce Centre.

Please register your attendance beforehand. Forms to register your attendance are available outside the Parish office (and are to be returned to the office prior to that meeting).

If your child is **not baptised** then make an appointment for a private interview with Fr Michael. Contact him either via email or leaving a message on the phone with contact details.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Parents who want to get their children baptised in this parish are, in the first instance, to complete the Baptismal Registration Form (found outside the Parish office) and hand it in to the parish office once completed. After registration, you will be contacted regarding the baptism preparation meeting that is scheduled.

The meetings scheduled for 2019 (After 10.00am Mass on Sunday) in the Bishop Joyce Centre are:
July 14th & August 11th Dates for baptism will be discussed as part of the meeting.

Any queries phone Kate 027 229 7465 (day) or 339 4313 (evening) or the Parish 348 6100
If you are not a Parishioner of OLV then you will need to speak to Fr Michael first.