



15TH SEPTEMBER 2019
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 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
 THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF
 SOCKBURN
 OUR LADY OF VICTORIES
 CHRISTCHURCH
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He was lost and is found



All three readings for this Sunday focus attention on Divine forgiveness, and of course, our human waywardness that is in need of forgiveness. Each reading considers this notion of Mercy from a somewhat different angle. In the Gospel, God seeks out sinners like the shepherd who seeks the single lost sheep, and like the woman who searches for the one lost coin,

and like the father who runs out to embrace the prodigal son. In all the cases, the one who did the seeking did so rather 'un-calculatingly'. Love is at the centre of mercy – and love is not calculating. We cannot begin to understand forgiveness until we begin to love.

Love, taken to the extreme, is captured in the God giving us Himself in the Eucharist. This love, taken to the extreme, also sees Him giving us the very sacrament that takes away our sins – the sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession. All we have to do is to confess our sins with a contrite and repentant heart before a priest – and all is forgiven. Perhaps it is time to think about going to confession, and learn to experience God's forgiveness through it. Remember, it is God who seeks us before we begin to think about seeking God. We are only ask to respond to Divine love and mercy.

E te Ariki tohungia ra Matou (Lord have mercy)

Fr Michael

CONFIRMATION - Morning tea

Next Sunday September 22nd at the 10am Mass, 17 young parishioners will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please remember to keep them in your prayers. You are also invited to share in morning tea following this Mass. Please bring a plate to share. If you have family who will be attending please ensure you bring enough food to cover them as well.

Nga Himene mo te Mass

Entrance Hymn:	L 776 You are Mine
Response to the Psalm:	I will rise and go to my father
Offertory: (5pm Only)	L 632 Table of Plenty
Communion:	L 814 Blest are they
Recessional:	Mo Maria (words pg 2)
Gloria & Creed (Words):	Pages 202 & 205

Panui nga Panui ka panui (except 10am)

First Reading:	Amos	8:4-7
Second Reading:	Timothy	2:1-8
Gospel:	Luke	16:1-13

Nga panui o te Pariha

DIACONATE ORDINATION

Please keep in your prayers Seminarian Tang Phan who will receive his Ordination to the Holy Order of Deacons next Saturday September 21st in Auckland.

PLANNED GIVING

Due to the uncertainty of our Parish future in 2020, the next set of planned giving envelopes due in October will be split. Envelopes will be for the period of November 2019 till March 31st 2020. Once we have a clear picture of how the parish will run, we can release the next 6 months supply if it is the decision to continue under Sockburn. Otherwise under a new parish, a new set will be arranged.

2020 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Next years Columban Calendars are now available from the office (during office hours only). There is a limited supply this year. \$12 each.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

If you notice a hazard at any time, please fill in the hazard register form at the front of the church. **Please also remember our Fire Exits are there for a reason, please ensure these are kept clear at all times, especially during Mass.** We all have a duty of care and it is the responsibility of All parishioners to ensure this happens. Our Emergency procedures are located on the Notice

MO MARIA

Mo Maria aianei - For Mary now
o tatou waiata - our songs
Kia kaha ra tatou - Let us be strong
kia nui te aroha - let there be great love
Repeat



Nga Panui Diocesan

For other Diocesan notices please see the Diocesan website

www.chchcatholic.nz

“GANGLAND TO PROMISED LAND” – John Pridmore - 7pm on 16th September at St Mary’s Pro-Cathedral - Monday 16 September will mark one of the last opportunities to hear international Catholic speaker and best selling author, John Pridmore. **This event is free.** John’s spent much of his earlier years connected to the criminal underworld of London. His powerful testimony ‘Gangland to Promised Land’ has touched the lives of millions around the world, including some of the toughest prisons. Please don’t miss a great opportunity to reach out to family and friend and bring them along. Any questions contact Olivia Stopforth 03 366 9869 or email events@cdoc.nz. No need for tickets, just turn up.

THE CARMELITE SISTERS

You are warmly invited to the Solemn Profession of Religious Vows of Sr Catherine of Christ ocd. To be held at the Carmelite Monastery on Tuesday, **1st October 2019 at 2pm.** Principle Celebrant Bishop Paul Martin SM. Refreshments to follow. All Welcome.

THE CATHOLIC WOMEN’S FORUM LAUNCH - Thursday 3 October the Crowne Plaza 7-9pm.

Join women of all ages and stages for a drinks reception and talk by Madonna King. Using research from her book ‘Being 14’, Madonna will speak about how to support our girls overcome the challenges they face - social, psychological and physical. Tickets \$30. For tickets and more information call Olivia 03 366 9869 or email events@cdoc.nz

ST TERESE ROSE PETAL EVENING

2019, Friday 4th October 7.00pm, St Teresa’s Church, Riccarton. Join the Beatitudes Community and the Brothers of St John for an evening in honour of St Therese of Lisieux, with the theme “No, I’m not dying, I’m entering into life!” The evening will include vespers, music, teaching, testimonies, and concludes with supper in the hall. Inquiries contact beatitudesnz@gmail.com

*May these, and all who
sleep in Christ, find in
His presence light,
happiness & peace*

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

15/9 Edmund deLore, Peter Hudson, Trevor Stockdale

16/9 William Lake, Doreen Quinn, Ronald Bell, Owen Ford,

17/9 Keith Lanini, Katherine McBride, Emily Richards, Michael Organ,
Ivan Parker,

18/9 Richard O'Donnell, Eileen O' Donohue,

19/9 Mary Pender, James Madden, Franciscus Sangkop, Doreen Brown

20/9 Bernard Callanan, Irene Wheeler,

21/9 Bedelia Dunn, Desmond Smith, Myrtle Sawers, Margaret (Meg) Gowan,
Anthony Murphy



Parish Festivities 2019

Sacrament of Confirmation September 22nd

Damien Walker – Art & Image Thursday September 26th

Parish 40 hour Adoration October 4th-6th

Catholic teaching on Abortion & Euthanasia with Brendan Malone

Thursday October 10th

Parish annual plant sale October 26th & 27th

Bingo Evening Friday November 22nd

Parish Summer festival Sunday November 24th

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)

Parish Priest
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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 **November 13th & December 11th (no meeting in October) this is the last one till February 2020.** 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

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:
October 13th & November 10th 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.