

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

**SATURDAY 6 PM**

**SUNDAY 9.30AM**  
(WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY)

**SUNDAY 5.30PM**

FREE PARKING AVAILABLE (SEE BELOW)



### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion 12.10pm  
Tuesday - Friday: Mass 12.10pm

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturday 5 pm - 5.45 pm**

Weekdays 11.30 am- 12.10pm (at Cathedral)

### BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES

Contact the Parish Office  
Phone 09 379 0624

Email: office@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz

### ALSO AT ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

#### **First Friday of the month**

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction 6.30pm  
then Mass in devotion to  
the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 7.30 pm

#### **Third Friday of the month**

Rosary 6.45pm followed by  
Novena & Mass  
in devotion to the Holy Child Jesus,  
Senor Santo Nino at 7.30pm

#### **Every Wednesday**

Novena & Mass  
to Our Mother of Perpetual Help 6.45pm  
**Saturdays**

Rosary 10am - 20 Decade Rosary  
held downstairs in meeting room,  
access through parish carpark  
at back of church.

### ETHNIC MASS TIMES

Spanish 2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month  
12:00 Noon  
Tongan 3rd Sunday of the Month  
12:00 Noon  
Indonesian 4th Sunday of the Month  
1:30 pm

### ST BENEDICT'S PARISH OFFICE

Monday to Friday 9.30 am - 3.30 pm  
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### ST BENEDICT'S PARISH PRIEST

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### PARISH SECRETARY

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### Catholic Student Chaplain

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### St Vincent de Paul & Foodbank

Ph 815 6122

### PARKING FOR ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH

Free parking is available from Saturday midday  
to Sunday evening in the  
Wilson carpark on corner of  
St Benedict's & Alex Evans Street.

Please NOTE: A few parks in top park are  
marked reserved for tenant parking.



### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -28 OCTOBER 2018

If we hear the Aramaic word, "Rabbuni", 'my teacher', our thoughts probably turn to the account of the Resurrection in St John's Gospel. It is the term by which Mary Magdalene addressed our Lord when she recognized him after he called her by name. This transforming call which brought her from deep sorrow to overpowering joy, and was to lead her to the task of bring the good news of the Resurrection to the disciples.

We hear the same word and discover another transformation in the story of the blind man, Bar Timaeus – the son of Timaeus, in our Gospel today. Sitting by the roadside when he hears that Jesus is coming, he begins by calling Jesus by the messianic title, 'Son of David'. But when Jesus calls him to come forward and asks him what he wants, Bar Timaeus calls him 'my teacher', Rabbuni.

In response to the question 'What do you want me to do for you?', he asks that he might see again. He has not always been blind, he wants to be restored to what he once had. And is told that his faith has made this so, and he is healed. But unlike some whom Jesus has healed, he does not then go off rejoicing, back to whatever he did before. He has acknowledged Jesus as his teacher, and so he follows along the way. In some ways the return of his sight is the least thing that Jesus does for him.

The fact that he is mentioned by name suggests that he was known to the early Christian community, his following of Jesus along the way led to his becoming a disciple. His life becoming patterned on Christ and seeking to share the good news with others. That is the real transformation, a glimpse of the transformation that Christ won for us all.

This was, in fact, the last healing that Jesus did. He was going from Jericho to Jerusalem, to His Passion, His Death and His Resurrection; through which He does not just restore us to what we were before. We are not to be returned to Eden. Rather we are to become co-heirs with Christ: to be, as St John tells us, like God.

To acknowledge Jesus as our teacher – the guide and pattern for our life – is to express our desire for that transformation. Whatever it is that first brings us to Christ, be it sorrow, distress, need, or simply curiosity, at some point there will be the challenge to accept that he is the one about whom we are to shape our life, the one who shows us the way.

That means getting up from where we are, metaphorically at least, and following Jesus along the way. Like Bar-Timaeus we will find that that will lead us to Calvary, but hopefully, like him, we will also find that it leads us to what comes after.

*Fr Chris Denham*

### Liturgy of the Word

**Jer 31:7-9** : The prophet foretells the return of God's people from exile in Babylon. Even the most helpless will share in the joy of this great event.

**Heb 5: 1-6** : This reading sets out the things that are required of a priest and shows how Christ met these perfectly.

**Mk 10:46-52** : Jesus hears the cry of a blind man and gives him back his sight.

Next Week's readings: **Deut 6:2-6** : **Heb 7: 23-28** : **Mk 12:28-34** :  
For Sunday and weekday readings see: [mobilegabriel.com](http://mobilegabriel.com) AND [www.livingtheworld.org.nz](http://www.livingtheworld.org.nz)

## Do you have our St Benedict's App On your Mobile!!!



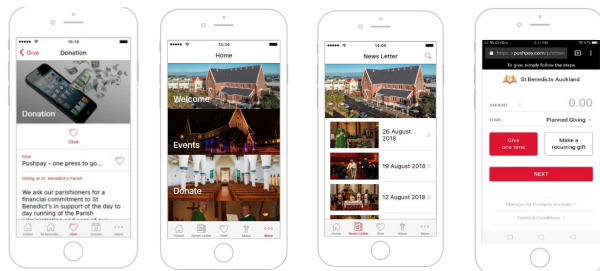
The number of downloads of our St Benedict's App continues to grow weekly. We are encouraging all our parishioners to become involved.

### Stay connected

Use our St Benedicts App to stay connected with our Parish. You will get all the information about our Parish events, mass times, parking and many more. It is a great way to stay "in touch".

(Steps to follow)

Remember it's very easy to  
download the APP.



**Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially:**

Zeena Edgar, Mary Kitson, John Selby-Wootton, Bernice Edwards, Simon Khan,  
Vic Stoddard, Donald Jenkins, Peter Hindle, Hugh McAllum, Joshua Suisala, Ian McLeish,  
Annette Jenkins, Margaret Macky, Bridie Abley.

**We remember those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time :**

Don Hall, Louisa Potter, Beh Ching Chua, Thomas Karanagh Weal, Marie Green,  
Maureen M'Quoid, Zita Jayasinghe, Lyn Peoples, Alice Murphy, Marion Agnes

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord

## **Solemnity of All Saints Thursday 01 November** **Mass at 7am, 12.10pm and 7.30pm**

### Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 7:00pm**

**St Mary's Church**, 20 Kitenui Ave, Mt Albert.  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet  
of Mercy Sung, Benediction, Mass,  
followed by veneration of St Faustina's relic.  
**All Welcome .**

**Choral Mass for All Souls:** All are welcome to  
attend a special Mass for the Faithfully Departed -  
All Souls. 7.30 pm Friday, 2 November.  
At St Patrick's Cathedral, 43 Wyndham Street

**Workshop – Choosing music for Mass**  
Looking at the function of music in the Mass, using  
'Sing to the Lord' (USCCB) and the General  
Instruction of the Roman Missal. **Wednesday**  
**November 14<sup>th</sup> 7-9pm.** [tinac@cda.org.nz](mailto:tinac@cda.org.nz)

**St Benedict's Parish is looking to employ a sacristan** part-time for approximately  
10-12 hours per week. This position involves overseeing sacristy and church  
requirements including setting up for weekend masses, weddings, funerals, baptisms  
and occasionally weekday services. Some flexibility of hours required & occasionally  
evenings. In particular extra hours required at Easter and Christmas.

*Applicants must be eligible to work in New Zealand.*

To apply please send your CV and cover letter to:

Monsignor Paul Farmer, St Benedicts Parish, 1 St Benedicts Street, Newton,  
Auckland 1010 or [office@stbenedictsaukland.org.nz](mailto:office@stbenedictsaukland.org.nz)

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2. Type " St Benedicts Auckland " (Font not case sensitive)
3. You can see our App with the St Benedict's logo.
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● **Retreat Day: Nurturing Our Contemplative Selves** with MARY BETZ. Sat 3 Nov, 9.30am-3.30pm.  
\$45. BYO Lunch. This day will invite us to reflect gently on how our year or, indeed, our lives, have  
evolved so far. There will be opportunities for meeting self and God through prayer: wisdom input from  
spiritual writers: questions for quiet reflection: time for walking, journaling, or artwork, and some spiritual  
direction if desired.

● **Dreamwork 103: Inspirational Dreams and Visions** with MARGARET BOWATER. Sat 3 Nov,  
9.30am-4pm. \$95. Booking essential. BYO lunch.

● **Sacred Expedition: Evangelisation and Settlement in early California** with BEATE MATTHIES.  
Thurs 8 Nov, 7-9pm. \$15. We will look at the history of the missions, early stories and the fate of these  
missions today in modern California.