

### 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](mailto: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  
Contact Details: Phone 09 379 0624  
Email: [office@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz](mailto:office@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz)  
Website: [www.stbenedictsauckland.org.nz](http://www.stbenedictsauckland.org.nz)

### ST BENEDICT'S PARISH PRIEST

Monsignor Paul Farmer  
[paul@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz](mailto:paul@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz)

### PARISH SECRETARY

Catherine van Veen  
[catherine@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz](mailto:catherine@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz)

### Catholic Student Chaplain

Fr Chris Denham phone 303 3852  
[www.actc.net.nz](http://www.actc.net.nz)

### 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.



## THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -18 NOVEMBER 2018

### THE END TIMES

This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the 'end times'

Mark's Gospel was written 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D.

In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many from the early Christian community recalled what Jesus predicted about the destruction of the Temple.

The Temple was an architectural wonder of its time! Much money and labour went into its construction. And yet Jesus drops a bombshell: Not one stone of this Temple will be left intact. Jesus clearly says, "This Temple is coming down."

In this statement, Jesus was predicting not only the temple but all that we value most will crumble to the ground, false saviours and messiahs, will mislead the faithful, nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom. Famines and diseases will have their way throughout the land.

How are we to make sense of all this today?

Understood in the context of our world, the Gospel, for all its outward strangeness, addresses fittingly the present uncertain situation of our world and the dismay many experience as a result of it.

Even to this day the followers of Jesus are persecuted in many parts of the world, many stand trial, bear witness, and testify to Jesus and the values that he imparts, some even to the day of their martyrdom.

Following Jesus was never an easy task, but Jesus accompanies his predictions with a promise: "Don't be anxious, I will be with you till the end of time, I will give you words and wisdom."

That's how Jesus is, he never leaves His Church without breath. He never leaves His baptized believers without the Spirit, the breath, and words to confess the faith.

So, let us not worry about what we are to say when it's our time to speak. We must just keep coming to receive God in Word and Sacrament. Keep getting filled with Jesus until we are overflowing with His thoughts and words. The Spirit will use all of it. He will use every Scripture we have read, every sermon we have heard, and every hymn we have sung as the raw material for the words that we must speak, we will be speaking Christ's words and wisdom.

The basic message to the faithful is, hang in there despite all that is happening to you and the world around you – the world remains in the hands of God, who will not let evil and oppression triumph over us.

**Blessings – Fr George Carlos Sdb**

## Liturgy of the Word

**Dan 12:1-3** : This is part of a vision of the prophet Daniel about the end of time. It introduces the belief in a resurrection of the dead and in retribution after death.

**Heb 10:11-14,18** : This reading insists on the superiority of Christ's sacrifice over all the sacrifices of the Old Law.

**Mk 13: 24-32** : This talks about the second coming of Christ, the time of which is known only to God.

Next Week's readings: **Dan 7:13-14** : **Rev 1:5-8** : **Jn 18:33-37**  
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!!!



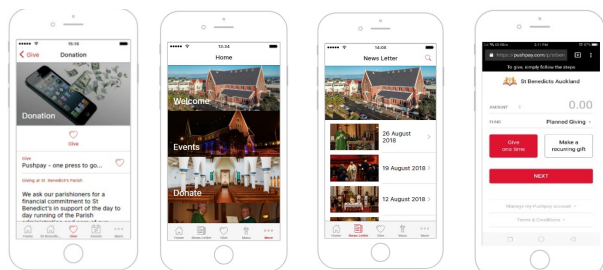
The number of downloads of our St Benedict's App continues to grow weekly. We are encouraging all our parishioners to become involved.

### 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 :**

Rene Coleborn, Joan Lister, James O' Donovan, Dulcie Gibbs, Catherine Goonetilleke, Joanne Elizabeth Ahmu, Tom Wilkin, Leslie Raymond Baker, Barry Hogan, Austin Lister, David Wilkie

**Eternal rest grant to them O Lord**

## **Diocesan Job Vacancy Marriage and Family Life (Leader/Co-ordinator)**

We are seeking a confident, friendly, welcoming, communicative, dedicated, and efficient person with a passion for marriage and family to provide the best possible preparation for a lasting Christian marriage and have superior liaison and organisational skills. This is a part-time role of 32 hours (4 days) per week, with some evening and Saturday work. please visit our website

[www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz)

**Parish to Parish Bed & Breakfast** - since the first book was printed 15 years ago, many hosts have suffered health problems or downsized their homes. We urgently require more hosts in places all over the country. I would encourage anyone with a spare bedroom or two in their home to join us. The accommodation does not have to be 5-star - just clean, comfortable and welcoming, as well as being able to provide a light breakfast. The aim is to provide Catholic hospitality and make new friends.

Contact Marie Anderson on +64-3-359 5541 or email [marie.ian@xtra.co.nz](mailto:marie.ian@xtra.co.nz) for more information.

**Musicians required:** we are in need of more musicians particularly for the 5.30pm Mass and the 9.30am Mass. If you are able to play the organ, piano, guitar or appropriate accompaniment and would like to commit to a regular Sunday, please contact the parish office. It is hoped we will have enough musicians so that you would only be rostered once or twice a month at the most. Cantors also welcome.

### Help required :

We need assistance to put our large nativity set together in the Church in time for the first Sunday of Advent (2 Dec). We require some able bodied people that can lift heavy items. This project could be done during the last week of November or on Saturday 1 December.

If you are able to assist, please contact Catherine in the Parish Office on 09 379 0624 or [office@stbenedictsaukland.org.nz](mailto:office@stbenedictsaukland.org.nz)

### Steps to follow

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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.
4. Press Install.

**Now you have our St Benedict's App.**

**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)