



**St Benedict's**  
PARISH OF NEWTON-AUCKLAND

**SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

**SATURDAY 6 PM**

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

**SUNDAY 5.30PM**

FREE PARKING AVAILABLE (SEE BELOW)



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**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESSURECTION OF THE LORD — 21 APRIL 2019**

**EASTER DAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION**

“CHRIST IS RISEN”. This is how Christians of the Eastern Church greet one another through the Easter season. It's not just a greeting –it's a proclamation of the good news of Easter; the good news that the life of God in all its abundance and richness is open to us all through Christ's Resurrection.

Today – and for the fifty days of Easter let us open our hearts and minds to the truth and reality of the resurrection. The gospel Scripture (John 20 : 1-9) for the day of Easter tells of the discovery of the empty tomb.

There are three people in this scripture. They were all totally overwhelmed by the death of Jesus but in very different ways. What about us?

The three of which the gospel speaks; Mary Magdalene , Peter and ‘the disciple whom Jesus loved’, let us have a look at each.

Mary Magdalene was a troubled soul who had found comfort in her friendship with Jesus. When his disciples ran from him, it was Mary – one of a small group of women who followed him to the cross. In the midst of adversity they show courage and faithfulness.

Before dawn Mary made her way through the dark alley ways of Jerusalem to the tomb. To her horror the tomb is open and empty. The other two were probably still asleep when she first roused them. She shouts the first proclamation for all time of Easter to the two disciples – who then run through the streets to the place of burial.

Peter just a couple of nights earlier denied that he knew Jesus. He followed at a distance, his courage had failed him. Now he is running to the tomb, possibly guilt ridden – now he wants to find out what has happened to the body of Jesus.

The third person is not named but the gospel always refers to him as the disciple whom Jesus loved. Tradition has it that this is John the youngest of Jesus' disciples. Only Peter and he followed Jesus when he was arrested. The beloved disciple stood close, in fact he is at Calvary with the women as Jesus in crucified. It is he who receives from Jesus on the cross the last thing he had to give – his mother who he took to his own home. It is he who sees the linen cloths that had been wrapped around the deceased.

It is the beloved disciple who grasps the meaning of it all. Christ is Risen as he said.

We need to ponder this story and make it our own. What is our reaction to it? May our pondering lead us to a deeper faith in the reality of the resurrection. May Easter be yours in abundance!

**Monsignor Paul Farmer**

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

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

**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

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Saturday 5 pm - 5.45 pm**

Weekdays 11.30 am– 12.10pm (at Cathedral)

**BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES**

Contact the Parish Office  
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**ST BENEDICT'S PARISH OFFICE**

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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.



**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.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Acts 10:34,37-43** : We hear part of an early sermon of Peter.

**Col 3: 1-4** : Through our Baptism we already share in the risen life of Christ, though in a hidden and mysterious way.

**Jn 20 : 1-9** : On discovering that Jesus' tomb is empty, the disciples begin to grasp what the Scriptures had foretold, namely that he would rise from the dead.

*Next Week's readings: Acts 5: 12-16 ; Rev 1:9-13,17-19 : Jn 20 19-31*  
*For Sunday and weekday readings see: [mobilegabriel.com](http://mobilegabriel.com) AND [www.livingtheworld.org.nz](http://www.livingtheworld.org.nz)*

### ST BENEDICT'S APP & PUSHPAY GIVING

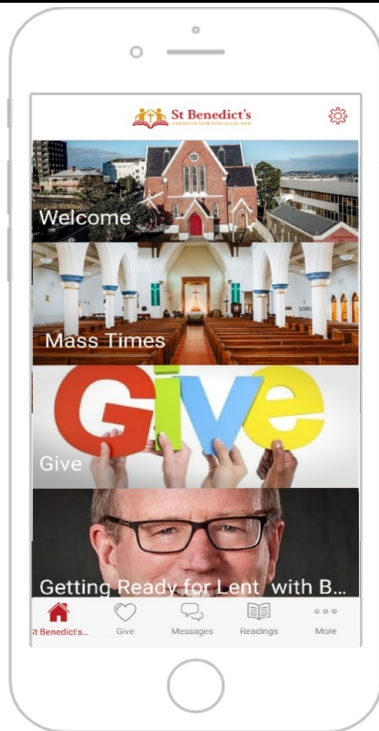
The number of downloads of our St Benedict's App continues to grow. Thank you so much for your donations made via the Pushpay facility.

Have you looked at the Lenten message on the App available from Bishop Barron's series "WORD ON FIRE"

#### STEPS TO DOWNLOAD

1. Go to Play Store (For Android Mobiles) or App Store (For Apple Mobiles)
2. Type " St Benedict's 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.



### VACANCY - ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT, ST MARY'S COLLEGE

Administration assistance required - Fixed term, part time, term time only during the school day until the end of 2019 with the possibility of this contract being extended. 12 hours per week, flexible, starting 6 May Office. We need an experienced, organised, unflappable, energetic and passionate person who is experienced in Microsoft office for this role. Must have strong communication skills both written and verbal. Applicants must be able to work in NZ and a Police Vet check will be required. Please complete the non-teaching staff application form on website [www.stmaryak.school.nz](http://www.stmaryak.school.nz) & send with CV & cover letter to [pa@stmaryak.school.nz](mailto:pa@stmaryak.school.nz)

*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 :*

Molly Boey, Pita Valu, Deborah Jutty, Mariano Aberlardo, Niumoefa Fakalata, Liam Cogan, Joseph D, Laurence Netto, Gil Roy

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord



The latest issue in your church Sunday April 21

### TUESDAY MASS CANCELLED

There will be no Mass or liturgy on Tuesdays at 12.10pm until further notice

### ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

Anzac day 25 April Mass at 9.30am

### ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

EASTER MONDAY AND EASTER TUESDAY - No Mass or Liturgy

### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Our programme for children 8 years and over who would like to receive the sacraments of confirmation and first communion will begin on **Sunday 28 April at 10.30am**. If you would like to enrol your child, please contact the parish office on 09 379 0624 or [office@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz](mailto:office@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz)

*Have a Blessed Easter!*



Christ Indeed is

*Risen*

-Paschali Laudes

### HUMANITY OF UNBORN CHILD

Upcoming legislation intends to allow ABORTION UP TO BIRTH — If you're willing to come against this Email : [tonybrenner@hotmail.com](mailto:tonybrenner@hotmail.com) for full information.

Divine Mercy Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 7:00pm St John Vianney Parish 317 Hillsborough Road, Hillsborough. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Blessing of Images, Praise & Worship, Benediction, Holy Mass followed by Veneration of St Faustina's relic. Bring your Divine Mercy images & artefacts to be blessed

Jesus told St Faustina

"My Heart rejoices on this Feast Day" All Welcome

