



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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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—26 MAY 2019

PASTOR'S NOTE

As we journey towards the end of the Easter with the Solemnities of Ascension and Pentecost just over the horizon the scriptures in different ways speak to the disciples with commanding words "Go teach all nations", "you are witnesses to these things", "may the Spirit free us to proclaim the peace, joy and forgiveness of God to everyone."

These sayings of Jesus set me thinking about the word 'EVANGELIZATION'. It's not a new word, it's not a word we heard so often until recent decades. We Catholics associated this word with small, fundamentalist type churches. However, we Catholics were Evangelized but in a different way. Mostly we received the faith through our families, our catholic schools and clubs. Catholic life was all encompassing life, there were few other influences that affected us.

We all know from the experience of our families and friends that in the main this does not happen today. The huge changes in our society have ruptured this process; you could say it's the end of an era. The Church exists to Evangelize, no evangelization no Church.

We need to take to heart the words of Jesus; "Go teach all nations" and learn to be an evangelizing Church. Evangelization begins with a desire to share the love of God, it's not some kind of Spiritual sledgehammer, it's not about proselytism or targeting people who are committed to other traditions.

"God blessing" on the phone or "God bless you" on our letters and emails are not about evangelization. The often spoken "dear God" or "please God", or "Oh God", these are really nothing more than social interactions, not the stuff of evangelization. Evangelization is not about being fuzzy or superficial. Pope John Paul II spoke about a "new evangelization", one that seeks to engage Catholics who have drifted away or whose faith has become hollow or lifeless. That's fertile ground for evangelization. We can also evangelize those who are not part of any faith community or those who are looking for more in their lives.

Evangelization might mean being with someone on the peripheries of the community, or being with someone in their suffering. Evangelization is a slow process; it is patience, a sense of humour, reflective prayer and a deep trust in God.

We've all met evangelizers of this ilk; May be God is calling us to be an evangelizer for someone.

The best evangelizers are always those who know how to waste time with others.

May Easter keep Eastering in you.

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
Phone 09 379 0624

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ST BENEDICT'S PARISH OFFICE

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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.

Catholic Student Chaplain

Fr Chris Denham phone 303 3852
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.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Acts 15 :1-2,22-29 :A big issue for the early Church was how much of the Law and traditions of Moses should be imposed on Gentile converts. The reading tells us how the problem was solved.
Rev 21:10-14,22-23 : We are given a majestic picture of the new Jerusalem, the heavenly Church of the future, when God's Kingdom will come in all its glory.
Jn 14:23-29 : We hear yet another portion of Jesus' farewell discourse at the Last supper. It is dominated by the thought of his imminent departure.

Next Week's readings: **Acts 1:1-11 : Eph 1: 17-23 : Lk 24: 46- 53**
 For Sunday and weekday readings see: mobilegabriel.com AND www.livingtheworld.org.nz



ST BENEDICT'S APP & PUSHPAY GIVING NEW FEATURE NOW AVAILABLE

We can now send notification messages to all our App users according to the ministries and ethnic communities to which they belong as well as just the Parish News.

The categories available for selections on the App settings are as follows ;

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| 1. Parish news | 6. Filipino |
| 2. Communion Ministers | 7. Indonesian |
| 3. Readers | 8. Tongan |
| 4. Children Liturgy Leaders | 9. Spanish |
| 5. Musicians | |

Messages to the various ethnic communities will be in their own languages.

It is important that App users select only the categories which you would like to receive, otherwise you will receive all messages by default.

It is very simple to do this :
Steps

1. Click on the **Settings wheel** at the top of the App as shown.
2. Click on **Notification Categories**.
3. Choose the categories for which you would like to receive a message.
4. Click "**DONE**"



COMMUNION MINISTER'S REQUIRED FOR 5.30PM MASS

We are very grateful to those people who have put their names forward for our rosters. **But we are still in need of a few more communion ministers.**

If you can help, please contact the parish office on 379 0624 or
office@stbenedictsaukland.org.nz

MERCY SPIRITUALITY CENTRE

104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238

info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz or www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

- **DREAMWORK 202 Workshop: A Skill-Development Group** Fri 31 May, 9.30am-12.30pm. \$40. This workshop is open to people who have previously attended an Introductory workshop, and seek to improve their skills.
- **The Meaning of PENTECOST** with Br KIERAN FENN fms. Wed 5 Jun, 10.30am-12.30pm. Koha/Donation talk. Together with Br Kieran, we will explore the past, present and future of the Feast of the Pentecost.

See our website for more details. Bookings essential,
 email: info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz to register.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION & MASS on Friday 7th June
 7:00pm at 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**

AT ST BENEDICT'S PARISH FILIPINO COMMUNITY

Novena & Mass in honour of Mother of Perpetual
 Help at 6:45pm Rosary then Novena 7:30PM
 Mass on 29 May 2019

**Who loves
you baby?**



Pro-life, Anti-abortion Rally

Tuesday 28th May, 12-1pm,
 Parliament Grounds, Wellington

Mass of the Neophytes Saturday 8 June, 5.30pm, Cathedral of St Patrick's & St Joseph. Bishop Pat invites all those who were baptised or received into full communion with the Church, during Easter (or indeed the last 12 months) to join him at the *Mass of the Neophytes* to praise and thank God for the gift of faith. Family, sponsors, Godparents, RCIA teams and parishioners are welcome and in fact encouraged to attend this special celebration of faith. It will be the vigil Mass of Pentecost. Validated parking will be available at the Wilson car parks on Hobson Street (the old Farmers car park \$4) and Durham Lane (\$2). Please bring your ticket to validate in the Cathedral. *Flyer and Photo attached*

Fr Richard Leonard SJ will speak on Mission and Prayer, St John Vianney Hall, 317 Hillsborough Rd, Hillsborough Saturday July 20 10am-3pm FREE - Lunch provided RSVP re.team@cda.org.nz by 16 July.

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 :
 Sr Marie Pollard, Brian McNeil, Katie Master, Rohit Savio De Souza, Noreen Cottrell, John Meehan, Fr Peter Penny, Teresa Camia, Fr John Cuthbert Downey, Diana Benjamin, Lucy Hyde, Bessie Gottingen, Kathleen Judson, Eileen McGuinness, Stella Jarka, Francis Smith, Bernard Morahan, Ruperto Bembo, Florence Ellen Phillips

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord