



**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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**THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST SUNDAY — 09 JUNE 2019**

**PASTOR'S NOTE**

The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. At Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem. The Feast of Pentecost is the birthday of the Church. The Church for some 2000 years has withstood the devastating ravages of time. It has seen empires rise, flourish and then fall. It has withstood diabolical attempts to destroy it from without and corrupting influences from within. Through it all the permanence and the stability of the Church has stood out like a beacon in the night.

God wants each of us to live our life in its fullness, the Good News Jesus came to reveal is intended for people of all time.

Jesus prepared a group of disciples some 2000 years ago, so that his mission on earth would be continued, he breathed on them and infused them with the Holy Spirit.

Jesus fulfilled his promise to send his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world, he unleashed on them the power of the Spirit and gave them their formal commission. "Go into the whole world; make disciples of all nations".

It was by the power of the Holy Spirit that the Gospel was preached by such simple, unlettered followers. With their dedication and love for Jesus they evangelised the whole world in a few centuries.

Thanks to these faithful disciples, Christ's message has spread far and wide. As at October 2018 the bible has been translated into 683 languages! The New Testament has been translated into an additional 1534 languages and bible portions or stories into 1133 other languages.

Today on the feast of the Pentecost, the Spirit comes to draw all people together, people of different languages and nations. Here in our Parish itself we have so many nationalities, languages, cultures all worshipping under the same roof, this itself is the work of the Holy Spirit.

The Church is as vibrant today as it was in apostolic times. It is through this same Holy Spirit, that Pope Francis, laity, clergy and religious all collaborate to create a fruitful apostolate.

As we celebrate the feast of Pentecost, we continue to pray that the Holy Spirit be poured upon us, that we may better use the gifts we have been endowed with.

***Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love, Amen***

*Fr George Carlos*

**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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**PARISH SECRETARY**

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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 2 :1-11** : Luke describes the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles, and the effect it had on them.

**1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13** : The Holy Spirit gives different gifts to different people, for the good of the Church, the Body of Christ.

**Jn 20:19-23** : The risen Jesus gives the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples and inaugurates the mission of the Church.

Next Week's readings: **Prov 8:22-31** : **Rom 5: 1-5** : **Jn 16: 12- 15**  
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 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 (or follow the blue finger)

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. (Colour **red** means selected). By default all options are selected.
4. Click "**Done**"

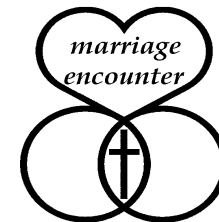


### COMMUNION MINISTER'S REQUIRED FOR 5.30PM MASS

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](mailto:office@stbenedictsaukland.org.nz)

**MARRIED COUPLES:** Revitalise and enrich your intimacy, love and romance in your marriage. Attend the *residential* MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND - 12-14 July at Bella Rakha Retreat Centre, Oratia  
**BOOK NOW!** – Phone 0800-362686 or Christine & David Sloan 372-3581



### INVITATION

The Devotees to Our Mother of Perpetual Help (Our Lady of Perpetual Succour) are holding 9 days novena-masses from June 17th to June 25th, 2019 at St Benedict's church.

Daily Rosary starts 6:45pm , Novena at 7pm , Mass at 7:30pm , Except Saturday, starts at 5pm; Sunday starts at 4:00pm

The pastoral team are currently running **Safeguarding seminars** to promote and educate parishioners & ministers about the importance of building an environment where all individuals and faith communities are respected, valued and safe. This is **mandatory** for all who are involved in ministry especially with children, youth and vulnerable adults. If you have yet to attend a seminar:

- **Saturday, 22 June at Sacred Heart Church in Ponsonby** from 10am-12pm.
- The next *Emmaus open session* at 3.30pm on **Sunday, 23 June at the Polynesian Centre, Mangere.**

For more information or to register, please email [pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz](mailto:pastoraloffice@cda.org.nz).

### PROLIFE FACTS

Kate Cormack, media spokeswoman for Voice for Life, managed to get her response to stories suggesting that abortion relates to a human right to control one's own body, published in Stuff. She argued that humane laws balance personal choice against the common good of the wider community. Visit [www.voiceforlife.org.nz](http://www.voiceforlife.org.nz) for more pro-life information.

### Quo Vadis (Where are you going?) gathering:

Eucharist, sharing and discerning on diocesan priesthood with Bishop Pat and Fr Sherwin Lapaan. The next gathering is on **Saturday, 6 July, 10.00 am-12 noon**, at Pompallier Centre, 30 New Street, Saint Marys Bay. All men aged 17-27 years welcome.  
RSVP to [aucklandpriests@gmail.com](mailto:aucklandpriests@gmail.com).

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, Mike Swann, Bridie Abley.

We remember those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time :  
Claire Agnes Slocum, Maria Out, Antonio Hombre, Vitolia Auva'a, Christopher Meredith, Michael Melia, Ian Macbeth, Norah English, Arthur Clarke, Julian Esperanza, Betty Stack, Brian Curtis

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord