



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)



WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Wednesday - Friday: Mass 12.10pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5 pm - 5.45 pm

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

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

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
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ST BENEDICT'S PARISH PRIEST

Monsignor Paul Farmer
paul@stbenedictsauckland.org.nz

PARISH SECRETARY

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.



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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 04 AUGUST 2019

Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

When a rich person dies, all their wealth is passed on to another who has not even laboured for it.

This is vanity and it's a great misfortune. There was this rich man who was so attached to his money, before dying, he requested his wife to put all his money in his coffin, the wife agreed. A week after the funeral the wife's sister asked her if she had done what her husband had requested, she said yes! of course! I put a cheque for the entire amount in his coffin, he can cash it whenever he likes. Jesus talks about a similar person who is obsessed with his wealth, he has laboured with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet in his lifetime has missed out something of greater importance, he made a living, but he missed out living a 'LIFE.'

Sometimes we think that Jesus is an enemy of the rich. Not at all! Jesus is not interested in our fame and fortune.

He is interested in us living well, he is telling us to remember who we are in the eyes of God, we are his precious children and are not meant to lower our dignity by joining the rat race, running unduly after money or getting overly worried about what we are going to have for the future, he wants us to take care of ourselves and trust in his divine providence for our future.

Jesus is against being obsessed by money and he is not against those who are rich. Many of the greatest saints in the church came from well-to-do families, so, it is not riches that are the root of all evil, but the love of riches. It forces our attention on something that is not relevant.

Imagine us being in the place of the rich man, we always want just a little bit more, and little bit more, and a little bit more and we want to store it and worry about it being safe, we install all sorts of alarm systems and are even afraid of going on holiday, we are afraid of our possessions being robbed.

In the end when it's too late in life we realise that we have to leave it all behind and the people who didn't work for it, didn't care about it, are happy to get it and spend it, in the bargain we have ruined our own life and lost opportunities of being happy, of spending some quality time with our family and of loving the people around us.

So what Jesus is trying to do is to save us. Qoheleth, the author of the first reading says... "*Vanity of vanities, all is vanity.*" Qoheleth tells us, "Love God and be with your family and friends, don't go striving to try and build kingdoms or fortresses, the idea is to focus on our own life and the day to day development of our life.

If you want to be a doctor, be it, not for the money but for healing people. If you do it for healing people, your life will be filled with joy. If you do it for money, you'll just be mad when the next patient comes in after work hours and you'll say, "Well, I don't have time to care for you."

Our lives united to Christ are not in vain. We can give glory to God through our words and actions. What we do for the praise and glory of God will be remembered on earth and in heaven for all eternity.

Fr George Carlos SDP

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Eccles 1:2,2:21-23 : The things that are supposed to satisfy human beings do not satisfy them.
Col 3:1-5,9-11 : Through Baptism we share in the life of Christ. We hear some of the conclusions that follow from this.
Lk 12: 13-21 : Jesus warns against greed, and stresses the foolishness of depending on material things for one's security rather than on God.

Next Week's readings: **Wis 18:6-9 : Heb 11:1-2,8-19 : Lk 12: 32-48**
 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 (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 & CANTORS 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 and Cantors.

If you can help, please contact the Parish Office on 379 0624
Thank you so much for your wonderful works.

St Benedicts 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 and 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 stbenedicts@xtra.co.nz

Baradene and St Peter's Colleges Gala Concert. Come and listen to the best music groups from the 2 schools. Holy Trinity Cathedral, Tues 6 August, 7pm. Entry by gold coin donation, programmes \$5, raffles and refreshments for sale .

FLATMATE WANTED

Double room available at Mount Eden. Looking for single person only. Student or Full time worker. Female preferred. Please contact 0284134862 (No pets/No Smokers)

There is a grievous evil which I have seen under the sun, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt. Ecclesiastes 9:7

IS SORROW AND GRIEF, ANXIETY OF THE HEART, EVEN AT NIGHT, MIND IS NOT AT REST. YOUR OCCUPATION?



All who store up treasure for themselves are poor in the sight of God. - Luke 12:21

Mercy Spirituality Centre @ 104 The Drive, Epsom. Ph. 638 6238 or info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz or www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

MUFFIN MEETING: Touching the Holy – Pilgrimage with MARY BARKER. Thurs 8 Aug, 10.30am-12.30pm. \$15 incl. morning tea. Mary is using art to show the journey of a pilgrim and what a pilgrimage actually involves. It will be a visual description of pilgrimage through the ages.

EVENING TALK: Ecology – The importance of actioning gratitude with BRIDGET CRISP rsm. Tuesday 13 Aug, 7-9pm. \$15. This session will explore the grace and gratitude given to us by the planet, and our common response given in return. It will also include some strategies to help you explore giving gratitude and grace to creation, while at the same time strengthening your own receiving of grace.

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, Eric Antony, Margaret Macky, Mike Swann, Alice Swann, Bridie Abley, Teresa Rajaratnam.

We remember those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time :
 Bishop Stuart O'Connell, Peter Paardekoop, Jean Hook Makere Hurley, Roy Reid, Terry Raymond Hayman, Valentina Yabut Lacanilao, William Marinas, Hilario Marinas

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord