

## **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

SATURDAY 6 PM SUNDAY 9.30AM

FREE PARKING AVAILABLE



#### **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

Wednesday - Friday: Mass 12.10pm

#### **ETHNIC MASS TIMES**

Filipino: Every Sunday at 11.30am

Tongan: 3rd Sunday of the month

1.30pm

Indonesian: 4th Sunday of the month

1:30pm

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday 5.00pm - 5.45pm

Waskdays at the Cathodral

Weekdays at the Cathedral 11.30am– 12.10pm

## **ALSO AT ST BENEDICT'S PARISH**

## First Friday of the month

Sacred Heart of Jesus Rosary at 6.40pm, Novena at 7pm Mass at 7.30pm-8.30pm

## Third Friday of the month

Holy Child Jesus, Senor Santo Niño Rosary at 6.40pm, Novena at 7pm Mass at 7.30pm-8.30pm

#### **Every Wednesday**

Mother of Perpetual Help Rosary at 6.15pm, Novena at 6.45pm Mass at 7.15pm

#### Saturdays

Rosary 10am - 20 Decade Rosary Temporarily moved online <a href="https://www.facebook.com/20decaderosary">https://www.facebook.com/20decaderosary</a>

#### **BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES**

Contact the Parish Office Phone: (09) 379 0624

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#### ST BENEDICT'S PARISH OFFICE

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#### 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 are marked reserved for tenant parking and are 24 hour

tow away. These parks are allocated to nearby residents not the Church



#### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST~ 2 JUNE 2024

As we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, we are drawn to reflect on the profound significance of the Eucharist, which finds its roots in today's Gospel. Mark masterfully intertwines the ancient celebration of the Passover with the institution of the Eucharist during the Last Supper, illuminating the continuity between the old covenant and the new covenant in Christ.

The celebration of the Passover was central to Jewish identity, commemorating the liberation of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. This festival was marked by the sacrifice of a lamb and the consumption of unleavened bread and wine. In the Last Supper, Jesus reinterprets these elements, imbuing them with new meaning. He presents the bread as his body and the wine as his blood, symbolizing the sacrificial nature of his impending death on the cross.

Mark's Gospel brings covenant themes of sacrifice and liberation to the forefront in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Jesus, the sacrificial Lamb of God, willingly offers himself for the redemption of humanity, echoing the sacrificial lamb of the Passover. Through his death and resurrection, Jesus liberates believers from the bondage of sin, offering them the promise of eternal life.

Moreover, Mark emphasizes the Eucharist as a sacrament of invitation and response. Jesus invites his disciples to partake of the bread and wine, inviting them into communion with him. In receiving the Eucharist, believers respond to this invitation, expressing their faith in Christ's sacrifice and their commitment to follow him.

Furthermore, the Eucharist is portrayed as a sacrament that promises future glory. Jesus tells his disciples that he will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes. This statement anticipates his resurrection and looks forward to the eschatological feast in the kingdom of God, where believers will enjoy eternal communion with God.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, let us ponder the profound mystery of the Eucharist. May we recognize it as a sacred banquet where we encounter the living Christ, participate in his redemptive sacrifice, and anticipate the fulfilment of God's kingdom.

Fr Stephen Berecz

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD ~ THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

First Reading (Ex 24:3-8) This reading describes the solemn ratification by Moses and the people of the covenant God made with them on Mt Sinai.

Second Reading (Heb 9:11-15) Through the redeeming work of Christ, God has entered into a new and eternal covenant with his people.

Gospel (Mk 14:12-16.22-26) This describes the preparation and the celebration of the Passover meal Jesus ate with his disciples the night before he died.

Next weeks readings: Gen 3:9-15, 2 Cor 4:13-5:1, Mk 3:20-35.

## Catholic Diocese of Auckland Vacancies

## Videographer/Storyteller

The Diocese is seeking a dynamic and experienced individual to join our team as the Digital Videographer/Storyteller. This newly created role is responsible for developing and implementing proactive digital and video content for the Catholic Diocese of Auckland, to ensure effective social media presence with all stakeholders of the Diocese. We are looking for a creative person with strong storytelling abilities and creative vision to deliver compelling narratives through video and social media content. Digital Editor – Part Time

The Diocese invites applications for the role of part-time EDITOR. This is an exciting opportunity to be involved in the digitisation of our current printed NZ Catholic newspaper, to write and lead the editorial function as part of a small and dedicated news/digital team. We are looking for a creative person with strong editorial and writing abilities along with an innovative vision to deliver compelling and relevant news and commentary. To view the full adverts and position descriptions, please visit our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies. Applications close 14th of June for both.

Divine Mercy Devotion & Mass on Friday 7th June 7:00pm at St Mary's Parish, 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.

Resources for families from the Auckland Diocese Video clips and activities are <u>updated weekly</u> to follow the liturgical year and enrich the learning experience and enhance understanding for young and not so young. Open this newsletter in the St Benedict's website or app and follow the links...

Kids Korner: Click here Parent Ponderings: Click here



## Parking at St Benedicts

When visiting St Benedicts please DO NOT park illegally or block cars in. Please see over page for free parking details

#### Welcome to St Benedict's

Keep up to date with parish news and download the "St Benedict's Auckland" App from the App store on your mobile device.

St Benedicts has the following options for planned giving and donations to our Parish:
• Collection at Sunday Mass • Automatic bank payment
• St Benedicts App • Tap and Go

Our bank account number is 02 0108 0706611 000 If you need assistance or require more information, please contact the parish office on 09 379 0624

<u>Reconciliation Rite I</u> is available before Mass on Saturday evenings from 5pm-5.45pm.

<u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> Friday 7 June at St Benedicts from 11am-12pm (followed by mass at 12.10pm).

All are welcome to morning tea in the crypt every week after 9.30am mass. Please check the notice boards in the foyer for upcoming events.

## June Prayer for Married Couples

Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: Look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Please pray for those who are sick, recovering from surgery or needing our prayers, especially:
Alice Swann, Teresa Rajaratnam, Phil Bawden, David Master,
Rus Quinn, Gladys Borgueta, Margie Newman, Jason Oxenham,
Judi Oxenham, Mary Jacobson.

We remember those who have died recently: YT Siew

#### And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Leondra Healey, Michael Doyle, Fr O'Carroll, Peter Battersby, Michael Bourke, Fr Tom Hogan, Jericho Hagai, Bernard Macedo, Thomas Netto, Thomas Daly, Hugh Cooney, Prudence Whitaker, Peter Lehrker, Mary Doyle, Humberto Master, Claire Slocum, Maria Out, Basil Otway, Catherine Power, Antonio Hombre, Vitolia Auva'a, Gladys Ryan, Anthony McGowan, Henry Swindley, Rosa Kyner, Jose Montoya, Christopher Meredith, Michael Melia, William Mullally, Edward Sefton, Fr Alfred Bennett, Cecil Mercer, Bill Clarke, Ian MacBeth, Norah English, Bridget Walsh, Leslie Angus, John Reid, Bill Reid, Julian Esperanza.

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord