

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

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
<https://www.facebook.com/20decaderosary>

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES

Contact the Parish Office
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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

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ 20 OCTOBER 2024

Privilege, Favouritism, Special places... these are traps we often love to be in! In today's gospel, James and John - the sons of thunder - eye supremacy over the others. Jesus had foretold his passion, death and resurrection. The path to glory is through suffering. The Cross comes before the Crown. But they never really understood it. For them suffering was temporary while glory would be eternal. They only knew of a potential 'power vacuum' in Jesus' Kingdom and it had to be captured at all costs. They considered themselves superior over the others.

Jesus reverses their desire to rise above the rest. Jesus takes them a step back to focus on his 'suffering' before his glory. There is no short cut to glory. The disciples will have to follow the same path. There is no power for one who relinquishes the cross! Jesus invited them to align themselves with 'drinking from the cup' rather than choosing to 'sit in places of honour'. For Jesus, the apostles had to be servants of all. There was no place for self-enthronement.

The gospel of today comes as an answer to anyone seeking to be above others! Jesus began to promote SYNODALITY right through his public ministry.

The Church today has taken that call to Synodality: Participation - Communion - Mission.

Pope Francis speaking to the participants of the Synod gathered in Rome recently said, "We Christians are all responsible for the Church's mission. Every priest, everyone. We priests are not bosses of the laity but their pastors!"

Jesus called us, one and others too, not one above the others but complimenting each other. We are community! That is why we need to walk together taking the path of Synodality. All of us are called to witness with our lives and be co-responsible for the Church's mission. We participate and we live in the Communion of the Church and called to sustain a 'Synodal Lifestyle' in every way through our 'Participation - Communion - Mission' shared by all priests, religious and laity.

Any attempt by anyone to fall into the trap of 'privileged positions' will only make this Synod on Synodality a futile exercise. Our only privilege is to be like Jesus, to bear the cross and be servants of all.

Fr Glenford Lowe

LITURGY OF THE WORD ~ 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading (Is 53:10-11) The servant of the Lord takes on himself the sins of his people, and thus becomes a source of blessings for many.

Second Reading (Heb 4:14-16) We can approach Jesus with confidence because he knows our weaknesses and was like us in all things except sin.

Gospel (Mk 10:35-45) Jesus is the Suffering Servant who gave his life in the humble service of his people.

Next weeks readings: Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52.

For Sunday /weekday readings see: mobilegabriel.com

Family Survey

Do you have children and want to connect with other families?

Help us work out what families need and want so that we can support and grow faith in families.

Please take a moment to complete our short survey.

Thank you for your time!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RN5YNX2>

or use the QR Code



Join the Auckland Young Catholic groups going to The Send,

Saturday 23 November! Be part of an epic day with thousands of Christians from across New Zealand. The Send will feature powerful international Christian speakers like Francis Chan, as well as worship led by top Christian musicians. Find out more and register at: <https://cdathesend.eventbrite.com>

Nga Tapuwae. Registrations are open for Ngā Tapuwae 10th to 12th January 2025. Come and join us in experiencing the footsteps of Bishop Pompallier, Kupe, and the Poynton's with other pilgrims together sharing our Catholic and Maori heritage. This will be a guided pilgrimage. Accommodation at \$80.00 per night per person will be shared living, experience and eating on the Marae. Your own transport will be required. For more information contact Dcn Steve on stephenf@cda.org.nz

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is accepting enrolments for first semester 2025 from 23rd September to 22nd November 2024. Courses offered are Bachelor of Divinity, Graduate Diploma in Theology, Diploma and Certificate in Christian Studies, and a new microcredential on Managing Church Organisations.

Resources for families from the Auckland Diocese Video clips and activities are updated weekly to follow the liturgical year and enrich the learning experience and enhance understanding for the young and not so young. Includes puzzles, colouring in pages, links to other activities and yummy recipes!

Open this newsletter in the St Benedict's website or app and follow the links...

Kids Korner: [Click here](#) Parent Ponderings: [Click here](#)

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. Like and follow "St Benedict's Church, Auckland" on Facebook for regular updates and links to the newsletters.

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

- **Reconciliation Rite I** is available before Mass on Saturday evenings from 5pm - 5.45pm.

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

October Monthly Intention and Prayer for Missionaries

Lord Jesus Christ, watch over your missionaries, priests, religious, and lay people who leave everything to give testimony to your word and your love.

In difficult moments, sustain their energies, comfort their hearts, and crown their work with spiritual achievements.

Let the adorable image of you crucified on the Cross, which accompanies them throughout life, speak to them of heroism, generosity, love and peace.

And all these we ask 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, Anne Brent.

We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Sarah Fulton, Maria Auva'a, Dulcie Watts, Oswald Goonetilleke, Jean O'Reilly, Debbie Herbert, Ken Newlands, Joseph Reardon, Arthur Kienan, Dylan Brown, Veronica Hynes, Bridget Higgins, Josephine Halpin, May Eades, Gertrude O'Donnell, Jack Nolan, Marlene Santos, Martin McCoach, Thomas Buckley, Duetrun Jayetileke, George Smith, Kevin Molloy, Kathleen Junge, Gwen McCarthy, Eileen O'Brien, John Geddes, Olivia Saldanha, Sylvia Porteous, Francis Costello, Nora Lavan, Christian Nicoll.

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord