



# ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# PEACE OF HEART IS THE HEART OF PEACE



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Parish Priest.

The engine room of the whole Church (and that includes our parish) is the work of prayer. And it's elderly who so often do the 'heavy lifting' – those who come to Mass daily, pray the rosary daily, visit the Blessed Sacrament – quietly but powerfully.

This poem by Arthur Feslier, a retired New Zealander journalist, was sent in by an elderly parishioner recently. With it we all say, Amen... And thank you, dear Grandies for keeping our parish prayer furnace hot!

## *A Poem of Encouragement*

As we grow older and feel the gradual weakening of our bodies or, as we become disabled, we find that - despite our difficulties - we receive yet another gift from God  
We have leisure to think, to remember..... to pray

Our withdrawal from all the bustle that used to mean so much, has bestowed on us something else; a tranquillity which we find has a worth beyond anything we have experienced before.

It was He who, at the very beginning, made us so wondrously and gave us the superlative gift ..... life itself! He gave us all the magnificent intricacy of our body to carry us through all our living; It was He who gave us our ability to think, our capacity to make decisions that were good and, sometimes let us confess with shame, to sin. It is God who allows us to now look back at the inventory of our years and recall all the delights of His world that we have shared with Him and with His people  
With these tender memories we are at peace for peace is the final, exquisite purpose of all our years, all our living!

Our years seem to pass more quickly than when we were young; and with the normal progression of life, we are moving closer every day to our ultimate, inevitable, meeting with God  
We remember the phrase "the fear of God" yet, with our ageing, we have come to understand that its true meaning is our awe of God, our reverence for Him.

There is nothing to frighten us about the possible imminence of our presence before God  
He has given us all our many years and, even as He tested us with the fragility of our body -- perhaps with some pain, discomfort, inconvenience -- we learned that there is nothing to fear from God, about God.

So it is, that we sense in our minds and often feel in our bodies, too, the peace that comes because we are loved by God who is the Heart of Peace



What happens is this: As we lessen our physical activity we replace it, very often, with that intangible quality sometimes called peace of mind.  
We cannot do as much as we used to; Our movements are restricted now, and slow; Yet our minds - nourished by experience and memory - are still vibrant, active, productive..... and at peace.



## ST ANNE'S MASS TIMETABLE

### Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm

Sunday 8am, 10am and 5pm

Please remember to book online for Sunday Masses - link updates every Tuesday lunchtime

**Monday** 7am Liturgy of the Word

**Tuesday** 12:05pm

**Wednesday** 7am and 12:05pm

**Thursday** 7am

**Friday** 7am (no vaccine pass) and 9am

**Saturday** 8am

## RECONCILIATION TIMES

**Saturday** after 8am Mass and 4-5pm in the hall.

## Mass Online

The diocese continues to provide broadcast **Sunday** Mass. It is uploaded at **5.30pm Saturday night** (as per a Vigil Mass time) to the Youtube channel Auckland Catholic

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCb7o1XYfQet-mOW1mJSzfow>.

It is also broadcast on Shine TV on **Sundays** at **2.00pm** Free-to-air TV Channel 25, Sky TV Channel 201.

## DAILY REFLECTIONS ONLINE

There are reflection videos of Parishioners on our YouTube channel and website. Click the links below to check them out!

- <https://manurewacatholic.org.nz/>
- <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=UUXowkvQu8LrAH8i-x1EDsUA>

## THINKING OF CATHOLICISM?

Or do you know someone who is interested in our Catholic Faith? RCIA is for you. Contact **Therese Lautua**, 021 263 6812.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**FEB** 22: Knitting Group 10am  
27: Maori Mass 11:30am

**MAR** 02: Ash Wednesday  
08: Knitting Club  
12: Vaccination Drive  
22: Knitting Club

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**TUES - FRI** 9am - 3pm

- Baptism information
- School Preference Forms
- Marriage Preparation

## PARISH OFFICE CONTACT

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## PRAY FOR OUR SCHOOLS

Covid is extremely present in our community. Some schools are suffering more than others due to the pandemic.

Please remember to keep St Anne's Primary in your prayers as they navigate a the forever changing landscape as they continue to teach our tamariki.



## KNITTING GROUP RETURNS!

We're back, YAY, starting next Tuesday at 10-12pm and then regularly on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month.

Due to the current Red Setting, vaccine certificates will be necessary and we will be meeting in the parish hall in order to social distance. All welcome!

Any enquiries contact Tina Shore 0274404563 or 2667699



## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

The Sacramental team are busy putting plans together for the current year. Like everyone, they have had to review what we usually do and come up with a way for our children to be able to make steps in their faith in a safe and authentic way.

In the next few weeks we hope to have a plan together so we can start our children on this very important part of their journey. Keep an eye out for updates.

## BOOKING FOR SUNDAY MASSES

Here are the key points for booking in for Sunday Mass:

- Each person must book - repeat bookings will be cancelled.
- Bookings update every Tuesday at lunchtime.
- If you can not attend, please cancel your booking
- Be sure to have your vaccine pass ready.

Here is the booking link for Sunday Masses.

<https://stannesparishmasstimes.as.me/schedule.php>

### Red Setting Reminders

#### Wear a mask

Please wear a mask during Mass



**Non-disclosed Mass** No Vaccine Pass required at **Friday 7am** with a 25 person limit

**Scan In** All please scan-in either at the door or right here



## SUNDAY READINGS



### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**20th February 2022**

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Luke 6:27-38

### Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**27th February 2022**

Sirach 27:4-7

Psalms: 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Luke 6:39-45



## RECENTLY DECEASED

Patricia Toyne, Kerita Faasavalu  
Latu and Gordon Eagle



## THE SICK

Alan Taylor and Phuong Lan

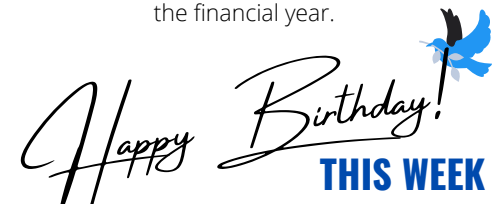
## ANNIVERSARIES

10 March (birthday remembrance) **Noreen Fletcher**

12 March: **Tadek Mazur** (late husband of Frances Mazur)

## PLANNED GIVING

Now is a great time to ensure your details are up to date if you require a receipt at the end of the financial year.



Lutimila, Kelsey, Dijana, Dean, Ikani, Annie, Zoey, Marcia, Leo, Maria, Lorna and June

Special mention to Nathaniel for last week. Your grandma came in make sure your name was in the bulletin because she loves you so much!