

PARISH ROSTERS 31 August — 15 September 2019

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PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD

Saturday 31 Aug	Neil Johnson	Debbie Sheridan	Don Sheridan
Sunday 01 Sept	Pat Canning	Christine Sloan	Ceri O'Connor
Saturday 07 Sept	Kevin McBride	Barbara McBride	Laurie Leonard
Sunday 08 Sept	Mark Mullins	Vikki Trainor	Kirsten Sloan
Saturday 14 Sept	Bronwen Muir	Romel de Guzman	Beng de Guzman
Sunday 15 Sept	Angela Marsden	Ivan Grbin	Carol Grbin

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday 31 Aug	*Velvet Cooney	Chris Lynch
Sunday 01 Sept	*Pauline Dunkley	Cathy Carroll
Saturday 07 Sept	*Susan McCusker	Lucy Santoso
Sunday 08 Sept	*Fe Wilson	Mike Glynn
Saturday 14 Sept	*Chris Lynch	Velvet Cooney
Sunday 15 Sept	*David Sloan	Glen Trainor

(* denotes minister responsible for setting up)

LITURGY of the WORD & HOLY COMMUNION

Wednesday 4 September 9.00am

Presider:	Laurie Leonard
Reader:	Bronwen Muir
Communion:	Pauline Dunkley

Wednesday 11 September 9.00am

Presider:	Kevin McBride
Reader:	Barbara McBride
Communion:	Pat Canning

DRIVEWAY MAINTENANCE

7 September — Brian Nolan

14 September — Colin Bourke

CHURCH CLEANING

7 September — Fe Wilson & Eil McDonald

14 September — Carol & Ivan Grbin

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See our website for more details - www.mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz

Chile: Mapuche Spirituality and Spanish Colonisation in Chile with Ana Maria de Vos Sanchez. Friday 6 September, 7-9pm. *koha*/donation. This evening is for anyone who wants to know about the religion and culture of the Mapuche, the indigenous people of Chile.

Ignation Spirituality: Love is all around us in disguise with Fr Mark Chamberlain, Tuesday 10 September, 7-9pm, \$20. A time to consider the presence of God in our lives, with reference to aspects of Ignatian Spirituality.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL — email: info@mercyspiritualitycentre.org.nz to register.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK, RECOVERING FROM SURGERY OR NEEDING OUR PRAYERS, ESPECIALLY: Angela Marsden, Peter Ryder, Ann Thomas, Pat O'Grady, Elizabeth O'Flaherty, Pat Canning, Shona Sullivan, John Gillespie, Jenny Wallace, the Grevatt family, Mike & Josie Glynn and son Mark Walsh and his family, Debbie Sheridan, Father Gerard Glynn, Eileen Porteous & Clive Brock (brother & sister of Ruth Gracie), Freddy Gonzales, Monica Kelsey (sister of Tom Hughes), Bronwen Muir, Stuart Weekes, Kennedy Harper Wilson, Amanda & Garret Quinn, Elaine McGrath, David Sloan, Peter Gherardi and Joyce Camilleri.

Parish of St Peter - Waiheke Island

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PARISH TIMETABLE: SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5.00PM
SUNDAY MASS 9.15AM

RECONCILIATION RITE I AVAILABLE BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES
WEDNESDAY: LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH HOLY COMMUNION: 9AM

PARISH PRIEST: Pa Peter Tipene (peter@stpatericks.org.nz) : 09 303-4509

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time : 1 September 2019

INHERITING THE PLACE OF HONOUR AT THE HEAVENLY BANQUET

Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived.

The places that a person ate: at the home of a tax collector (Luke 5:29); the people with whom a person ate ('sinners' Luke 5:30); whether a person washed before eating (Luke 11:38) and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating, were all important.

In today's gospel, Jesus warns guests coming for a banquet to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives.

This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is an advice on how to find our true place in the Kingdom of God, and on how we can find true happiness at the heavenly banquet by what we do rightly here on Earth.

Jesus invites us to think of ourselves, as always, the last and the least. This calls for humility. It has nothing to do with poor self-image nor with psychological problems! Rather, it is an invitation to live in truth with others and to forge a new relationship by changing our way of thinking and dealing with them.

The gospel of today invites us to think about how we think and act in relationship to others. When we are in the company of others, do we put ourselves first or do we stay in the background unless we are called forward?

As a practical spiritual exercise, today we might try to be still and silent and just listen to others and see what that listening does to us. If we listen attentively, we will know that we are humble, as humility also means having an attentive ear.

Humility is seen in a person who listens attentively to wisdom stories, to proverbs and to real life situations; these help us not only to understand ourselves and others, but also to respect them. The climax of today's good news is: 'The importance of humility and simplicity in our Christian journey.' Most importantly, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church #2559 states; "*Humility is the foundation of prayer.*" Only a humble heart can come to God in prayer. "*Humility and the fear of the Lord bring wealth, honour and life*" (Proverbs 22, 4).

A humble person is always ready to ask for guidance from God and others. They are also ready to listen and learn from others. It takes humility to say please, and, to ask for forgiveness.

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the model of humility for us. Though a guest of honour at a wedding, she does not take the honoured seat, but instead gets involved in household chores...

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Entrance:
Communion:
Recessional:

City of God
 As Gentle As Silence
 Now Thank We All Our God

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GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
 and on Earth peace to people of good will.
 We praise you, we bless you,
 we adore you, we glorify you,
 we give you thanks for your great glory,
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 O God, almighty Father.
 Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 you take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us;
 you take away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer;
 you are seated
 at the right hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us.
 For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 Creator of Heaven and Earth;
 and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our
 Lord: who was conceived by the Holy
 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary;
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried.
 He descended into Hell;
 on the third day
 He rose again from the dead;
 He ascended into Heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand
 of God the Father Almighty;
 from there He will come to judge
 the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 67

The just shall rejoice at the presence of
 God,
 they shall exult and dance for joy.
 O sing to the Lord, make music to his
 name;
 rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.

Father of the orphan, defender of the
 widow,
 such is God in his holy place.
 God gives the lonely a home to live in;
 he leads the prisoners forth into freedom.

You poured down, O God, a generous rain:
 when your people were starved you gave
 them new life.
 It was there that your people found a
 home,

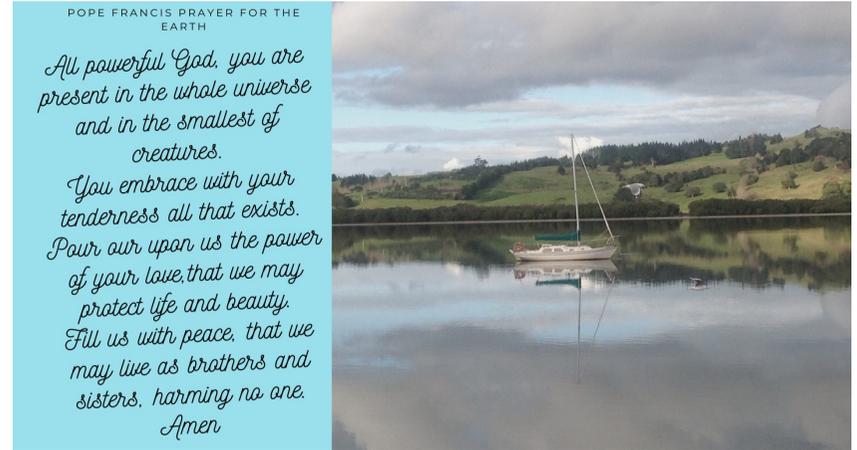


LITURGY OF THE WORD:

1 Sept: 22nd Sun in Ordinary Time: Ecclesiasticus 3:17-29; Hebrews 12:18-24; Luke 14:1,7-14
8 Sept: 23rd Sun in Ordinary Time: Wisdom 9:13-18; Philemon 9-10,12-17; Luke 14:25-33

Small Fundraising Craft Table. The Grand Total raised is a FABULOUS \$35,120.00. Thank you to the whole parish. The stall has a variety of books, preserves, jewellery, cards and gifts for sale. The new raffle is a beautiful set of cake forks and teaspoons to be drawn on 15 September. Jo and the team.

The **Abortion Law Reform Bill** : Parishioners will be given the opportunity today during Mass to complete a submission on the Abortion Legislation before Parliament.



St Patrick's Cathedral Annual Appeal. Next weekend, 7-8 September is the annual appeal at the Cathedral. The Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph is the spiritual 'home' to all Catholics in the Diocese - a treasury of our Catholic heritage and history in Auckland and New Zealand. The Cathedral strives to serve all peoples and be a 'House of God, Icon of Christ, Place of Prayer and Oasis of Peace' in Auckland's busy city centre.

Maintaining the Cathedral in pristine condition requires ongoing care, attention and considerable funding. Each year, close to \$100,000 needs to be found to keep up with the long-term maintenance of the church, over and above the day-to-day maintenance costs.

Donations can be by direct credit can be made to St Patrick's Cathedral Heritage Foundation BNZ 02-0100-0233290-05 with contact details emailed to frances@stpatricks.org.nz for a tax receipt.

Pastor's Note continues...

It's there that she notices the shortage of wine which would be an embarrassment for the bridal couple, so she in all humility approaches her son and intercedes for them, "Son, they have no wine." Jesus could not refuse this humble plea and he works a miracle, but not until the stewards humbly heed her advice, "Do as he tells you."

So, let us humbly implore the Lord, that we too, may acquire this humility by his grace, as we pray: "O Jesus meek and humble of heart, make my heart like yours. From the desire to be honoured and esteemed deliver me!"

Fr George Carlos, St Patrick's Cathedral