

OPEN LETTER TO M.P.s RE ABORTION: Upcoming legislation intends to allow ABORTION UP TO BIRTH. Overseas experience indicates that will be the fore-runner to debate on even worse atrocities for the unborn child including "partial-birth abortions" "after-birth abortions", and infanticide. Christians cannot just stand by. If you wish to add your name to an inter-denominational "Open letter to all Members of Parliament" email donbrebs@kinect.co.nz You will receive a copy of the Letter by return. May God Bless our mutual efforts.
Thank you, Don Brebner, Voice for Life B.O.P. Charitable Trust.

CARITAS: Love in Action, Living our Lives with Love

Caritas is the NZ Bishops approved fund raiser for relief work and development around the world. **Think and Act Global and Local** is the theme. You are invited to donate to the Bishops' Lent Appeal and also to a food bank drive during March (non-perishable food items please). There are boxes in the church foyer for all donations. Thank you for your generosity.

ACCOMMODATION NEEDED: Retired couple from Lower Hutt parish wanting a House sit or Fully Furnished Rental for 6-8 weeks during either June/July/August. Please contact Adele 021521326 or adeleandaaron@gmail.com.

PARISH OFFICE: The office will be closed Mon, 25 Mar.

NEW CLEANING ROSTER: Available in the Church foyer.

OFFERTORY/BRINGING UP GIFTS AT MASS: Next Sunday 31 March, 9.30am: Tom McMullan & Aaron Authier; 5pm: Catherine & Caitlin Robson

READINGS FOR 4th week in Lent, (Year C)

31 March 2019: 1. Joshua 5:9-12, 2. 2Corinthians 5:17-21

GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

NEW WEBSITE: www.allsaintsbythesea.nz

Parish Priest: Fr Stuart Young; EM pp@allsaintsbythesea.nz

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EM: admin@allsaintsbythesea.nz Office hours: 9am to 12 noon Mon to Fri



3rd Sunday of Lent, 24 March 2019

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

From 6pm Fri, 29 March to 7am Sat, 30 March

We still need more people to select a time slot during the night to accompany our Lord as we have Adoration especially between midnight and 5am. Are you able to come in the early hours to spend time in prayer and contemplation? Let's see this as a significant part of our Lenten penance.

We will still have a breakfast after the morning Mass however at this stage we only have 6 attending if you do wish to attend please advise the office number so we can cater accordingly. You can still sign up on the clipboard in the foyer of STM Church. The 24 Hours will commence with Mass at 6pm on **Fri, 29 March** and close with Mass at 7.30am on **Sat, 30 March**, breakfast will be served at 8am.

Access to the church will be via the normal front glass door, it will be closed but please just push the door marked push. The church will have dimmed lighting and at times there will be silence and at others background music. A priest will be available all night, there will be short periods when the priest will not be in the church. Please wait by the confessional for him to return if you want confession or to just talk to a priest.

SCHOOL COURTS/ PARISH OVERFLOW CARPARK: You will have noticed that the diocese has just resealed this area. The seal has not fully cured with our very warm weather, and to ensure it remains in good condition for the children to play on we are asking you not to do sharp turning of you car wheels on this area and to refrain from driving larger vehicles on this area (SUV's & People Movers). If you have a smaller vehicle then use the courts area so that larger vehicles can use the main carpark. Thanks for your co-operation.

DAVID WELLS COMING TO NEW ZEALAND: David is a renowned international speaker who travels the world delivering a very strong message of joy through the Gospel. He is known for his ability to present deep truths of faith in a very human context. The Catholic Diocese of Hamilton look forward to welcoming David and his wife Alison.

21 - 27 Aug 2019 in the Bay of Plenty Region. Dates, Times & Venues will be advertised through the Catholic Diocese of Hamilton Website, Facebook Page, and through parish & school newsletters.

PARISH ROOF: We seem to be permanently finding maintenance issues and none seem to be minor. The roof, which is only 15 years old, is starting to have areas of significant rust developing and if we do not address this with spot priming and repainting we will face an even more significant problem. We have had quotes for the work which amount to \$25,000 plus gst, we do not have any reserves for this job so I need to make an appeal for donations towards this project. If anyone is keen to lead a fundraising project please feel free to discuss your ideas with me. I am grateful to several parishioners who have already kindly donated towards this project. Until we have these funds in hand or at least the majority we are unable to let the contract, if you can assist in anyway please do so. Regrettably it is not a project for a working bee as it requires safety equipment, scaffolding etc. and then licenced operators to work at that height.

YOUTH GROUP at STM Church:

The **Year 7 – 9** group. I would like to encourage you to come to Mass on the evening of Fri 29 Mar at 6pm, this is the opening Mass for the '24 hours for the Lord'. I would also like some helpers to cook/set up/serve breakfast the following morning. Please email youthgroup@allsaintsbythesea.nz for any further information or to put your name down as a helper. Thanks, Kirsty
The **Year 10+** runs on **Sunday's** straight **after 5pm Mass**.
The youth team, Sam Harris, Kirsty Muir

CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP: meeting Tue 26 March, 7.30pm, at St Thomas More Catholic Church, 17 Gloucester Rd, Mt. Contact Daniel Tustin 0211279947.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP NEWS: Advance Notice -Formation Day Sat 18 May at Katikati - Details to come.

ST PATRICK'S FAMILY GROUP: meeting Sun 7 April, 12 noon at Pacific Coast Village restaurant. Any queries phone Merrilyn Barran 5754148

MEDITATION: Held every Wednesday in the Church Complex; 7.30 – 8.30pm. It consists of a short reading followed by 25mins of silent meditation. Contact Dolores 0272928617. As Jesus said "Pray continuously and if necessary use words."

COMMUNITY DAY: Sat 30 March in Waihi. THEME: Trappist Fr Thomas Keating. See notice board for further details or contact Dolores.

For Diocesan information check out
www.newsletter.cdh.nz

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH: If you wish to make a donation, there is a Eftpos machine in the STM Church foyer. If you wish to use envelopes or bank automatic direct debit, please contact the office to arrange. Thank you.

CAN YOU HELP? MEALS FOR THE FREEZER ARE NEEDED:

The freezer is almost empty—if you are able and would like to contribute a meal/s to the Giving Back program, please take a plastic container in the STM church foyer, label the contents, date it and return the meal to the parish freezer. Thank you for your support.

PARISH APP: This is able to be downloaded from you phone App store. Search for allsaintsbythesea and upload the app and be connected for latest alerts, newsletters etc.

DIRECTED RETREAT: Tyburn Monastery (Ngakuru), May 5-10,
This silent Ignatian retreat features daily Mass and individual spiritual direction with Fr Richard Shortall SJ, each day. Beginning Sun 5 May at 6:30pm and finishing on Fri 10 May after breakfast. Cost: \$220. Places are limited to 9 participants only. Please contact Alex to register alex@cdh.org.nz

BR GUY CONSOLMAGNO: Astronomer and Director of the Vatican Observatory is coming to New Zealand

Brother Guy Consolmagno is an American research astronomer, Jesuit religious brother, and Director of the Vatican Observatory. NZCBC media statement about this tour is available here : <https://goo.gl/CZ1o2p>
Brother Guy will be touring New Zealand between 26 April and 8 May 2019.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon	Dorothy & Fergus O'Meeghan RIP
Tues	
Wed	
Thurs	Margaret Back RIP
Fri	
Sat & Sun	All Saints by the Sea Parish

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Mt Maunganui
9.30am & 5pm

Te Puke At Anglican Church
Saturday Vigil 5pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday
9am Mt

Tuesday
9am Mt

Wednesday
9am Mt & Benediction

Thursday
9am Mt & 9am TP

Friday
9am Mt

ROSARY
After 9am Mass at Mt Mon to Fri

Saturday
9am Rosary Mt

SACRAMENT ANOINTING
4 Apr, 8 Aug, 12 Dec, 11am

RECONCILIATION
Wed to Friday (Mt)
8.30am to 8.45am.
Sat (TePuke)
4:30pm

Maketu
Maori Mass
2nd Sunday
11.30am
3rd Sunday Liturgy service 11.30am