

MESSAGES FOR CLERGY: If you wish to contact Fr Stuart or Fr Prakash over the holiday period, please phone 07 575 4807 and leave a message.

BAPTISM: We welcome into the Catholic faith Beau Karena who is receiving the Sacrament of Baptism on 30 December.

CALLING HELPERS FOR ALPHA 2019: If you would like to assist on a roster basis during the weeks of Alpha then I would love to hear from you. Alpha begins in 2019 on a **Tuesday** evening on **12 Feb – 30 Apr**. Two people are required each week to help with serving, clear tables, dishes etc. If you feel you would like to serve in this very rewarding ministry then please let me know. You are welcome to help just one week or more if you are able to. Volunteers in the past have found this a great way to get to meet fellow parishioners that they wouldn't otherwise get to know.

If someone would also like to give of their service to weekly laundering of tablecloths during these weeks this would also be greatly appreciated. Many thanks in advance.

Please see clipboard on bench in STM foyer during Dec/Jan or phone Heidi 5754807 ext 6 and leave a message or EM pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

PARISH PICNIC: Note this date in your diaries ... **St Patrick's Day, 17 March 2019**. There will be Mass at 11.30am at St Patrick's Church, Te Puke followed by a parish picnic and games. More details to follow at a later date.

LOVERS FOR LIFE –Engaged couples weekend: Please enrol as soon as you can for your pre-marriage course in Hamilton Weekend Course **16-17 Feb, 2019**. Contact Joe Hogan, Marriage and Family Life Animator - joeh@cdh.org.nz - 027 742 4466.

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

PILGRIMAGES departing in 2019 to The Holy Land, Medjugorje and within NZ. Expressions of interest welcome. Visit: www.pilgrimage.nz or see noticeboard for details. Contact Patricia Parsons on 0274 219 064. E: info@mirpilgrimages.co.nz.

NEW WEBSITE: www.allsaintsbythesea.nz

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

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4th Sunday of Advent, 23 December 2018

NATIVITY PLAY: There are quite a few families who are participating in the nativity play on 24 December at 4.00pm. We warmly invite YOU to come along and support our young children and families.

TE PUKE MASS ATTENDEES—PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Thursday Masses in Te Puke on **27 Dec & 3 Jan**, Masses will recommence on **10 Jan 2019** at 9am.

WEEKDAY MASS at STM will be celebrated every day over the holiday period.

THE CHRISTMAS MASS COLLECTION FOR THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE

At the Christmas Masses there is one collection and this is for the priests of the Diocese. When a man is ordained a priest in the Diocese of Hamilton, he is made a promise that his medical, retirement and other needs will be provided for now and in his elder years. The Christmas collection for the Clergy Funds is part of that promise keeping where the parishioners of the Diocese show their love and honour for the priests in their lives. Donations over \$5 are tax deductible and envelopes are available in the church foyer if you wish to donate.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

24 December:

4.00pm Music & plays etc at STM;

5.30pm Family Mass at STM;

7.00pm Mass at Te Puke. Carols from 6.30pm.

25 December Christmas Day:

9.30am STM.

STM WEEKEND MASS MINISTRIES ROSTER from 6 Jan 2019 to 5 May 2019 available on bench in foyer. **Please note:** There are two separate rosters – 9.30am and 5.00pm. Also available on the website.

ST PATRICK'S MINISTRIES ROSTER available (from 24 Dec 2018 to 26 Jan 2019) on Parish website.



THIS CHRISTMAS GIVE THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING... JESUS! Invite someone to Alpha in 2019 so they can encounter the love of Christ and experience the peace, love and joy that we celebrate this coming season. Why Jesus? Booklets are available on the Alpha display table in the foyer to give to someone that God places on your heart to “pray” and invite them. Alpha begins in **February 2019** on **Tuesday, 12th** with a “Wine and Cheese” Launch party. For further details contact Heidi at pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

NEW STM CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER available on bench in foyer from 17 Dec 2018 to 18 March 2019.

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Please note: Parish office will be closed **until Mon 15 Jan 2019**. Heidi, Parish Pastoral Worker and Deacon Henk will also be on holiday during this time. We wish everyone a very happy and holy Christmas.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH: If you wish to make a donation, there is a Eftpos machine in the STM Church foyer. Donations of \$5, \$10 or \$15 or you can nominate an amount. If you wish to use envelopes or bank automatic direct debit, please contact the office to arrange. Thank you for your support.

HEALTH & SAFETY TIPS:

- Keep access ways clear for emergency vehicles;
- Be aware of pedestrians and surroundings as you enter and leave the grounds;
 - Please notify the parish office of any risks/hazards identified in the Church;
 - Keep parking spaces closest to the Church available for elderly/infirm;
 - As a security precaution please do not leave your handbag unattended in Mass;
 - Take care & consideration for others when entering & exiting the church particularly in wet weather conditions;
 - Ensure all children are supervised at all times, especially around the votive candles and in the kitchen area.

READINGS FOR CHRISTMAS VIGIL 24 Dec 5.30pm:

1. Isaiah 9:1-7 2. Titus 2:11-14 **GOSPEL: Luke 2:1-14**

READINGS FOR CHRISTMAS DAY 25 Dec 9.30am:

1. Isaiah 52:7-10 2. Hebrews 1:1-6 **Gospel: John 1:1-18**

READINGS FOR Feast of the Holy Family 30 Dec (Year C):

1. Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6,12-14 2. Colossians 3:12-21
Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

MASS INTENTIONS: If you wish to have a Mass offered, please fill in the card in the Church foyer (in plastic wall stand) and hand into the office. Alternatively, phone the office to arrange. Mass offering envelopes are available also.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon	Riah Chaney
Tues	
Wed	Frank & Doris Lovatt RIP
Thurs	Kevin Mooney RIP
Fri	Ted & Grace Williams RIP
Sat & Sun	All Saints by the Sea Parish

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Mt Maunganui
9.30am & 5pm

Te Puke
Saturday Vigil 5pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday
9am Mt

Tuesday
9am Mt

Wednesday
9am Mt

Thursday
9am Mt &
9am TP

Friday
9am Mt

LITURGIES

Tuesday
9am Te Puke
(Liturgy of Word &
Holy Communion)

Saturday
9am Rosary Mt

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