

FIRST COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION 2020:

Sacramental Preparation for children will commence in May/June. The First Holy Communion/Confirmation Day is set for **23 August**.

For further information please contact the parish office of All Saints by the Sea between the hours of 9am-noon; Mon-Fri or

Email: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz

Registrations will close **Fri, 10 April**, end of term one. (NO late registrations will be accepted). Please register your child(ren) early. It is preferable that you use the online form via the parish website www.allsaintsbythesea.nz in the Sacramental Life section.

TRANSPORT TO MASS REQUIRED: A lady (aged about 50 years) would like a ride to Sunday Mass. She lives in Lotus Avenue and is in supported living by Idea Services (formerly the IHC). If anyone would be able to transport her to/from Mass—even if it is once a month (either 9.30am or 5pm) please contact Scott on 022 43260 (Idea Services co-ordinator). Thank you.

VOLUNTEER REQUIRED—To transport a STM School student to Riding for the Disabled, Welcome Bay Road on a Tuesday from 9am to 11am. He needs to be back at School at 11.15am. Will pay petrol costs. Ph Maggie 022 093 6530 if you can help.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SHOP: Require towels and sheets. If you have any surplus of these items, please take them to the SVDP shops in Dee St, Mt Maunganui or Cameron Rd (by 16th Avenue), Tauranga. Thank you.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Just got engaged? Congratulations! Looking to get married in the Church? Great! Wondering what to do first? Visit <https://www.cdh.org.nz/marriage> for helpful information, available marriage preparation course dates and to register your interest for an upcoming course.

“Young love needs to keep dancing towards the future with immense hope.” Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia, 219

ORDINATION OF FR MICHAEL GIELEN AS AUXILIARY BISHOP OF

AUCKLAND: Please note that the **venue has now changed**. It will be held at the Vodafone Events Centre, 770 Great South Road, Wiri, Manukau on **Sat, 7 March at 11.00am**. All welcome.

NEW WEBSITE: www.allsaintsbythesea.nz

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

17 Gloucester Rd, Mt Maunganui 3116. Ph 07 575 4807 (Parish office Ex 2)

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



**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
23 February 2020**

ASH WEDNESDAY, THIS Wed, 26 February:

Masses will be held at STM Church at **9am and 6pm**. There will be an Ecumenical Service at the Anglican Church, Te Puke at **7pm**.

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY TODAY (9.30am Mass).

THIS GIFT IS FOR YOU:

As part of Lent this year, we are running a program to help our parishioners deepen their faith commitment. Each one of us are invited to deepen our relationship with Jesus as we walk with Him through Lent.

So come to this program, called "This gift is for you".



Starts THIS Tues, 25 Feb. There are two times being offered—9.45am on a Tuesday morning and 7.00pm on a Tuesday evening at the St Thomas More Church complex.

The course runs for 6 weeks (finishes the week before Holy Week). So keep your Tuesdays free as you walk with Jesus through Lent. If you wish to know more, phone Deacon Henk ph 575 4807.

WE WELCOME CHILDREN, STAFF AND FAMILIES OF ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC SCHOOL TO MASS THIS MORNING:

There is a CAKE STALL in the foyer and there will be a cup of tea served by the School. We thank them for their presence here this morning and wish them well for the coming year.

NEW EDITOR REQUIRED FOR PARISH MAGAZINE as part of a team:

Our current editor wishes to retire in the new year. This is a voluntary position and Catholic Coast & Countryside is published quarterly requiring some experience with Microsoft Office or similar, although training will be given. If you are interested in filling this position please telephone Peter on 07 5740976 or email p.archer@xtra.co.nz.

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH?

If you are new to our Parish, or have been here for sometime, but not yet completed a Parish Roll Details form, then we invite you to do so. Forms are available at the Welcome Desk in the STM Church foyer. Look for the banner!

ALL SAINTS BY THE SEA PARISH CATHOLIC COAST & COUNTRYSIDE MAGAZINE –EASTER 2020 ISSUE:

Would parishioners kindly note that contributions of parish groups or committee reports, photos and articles of interest for the Parish magazine, Easter issue, are now being gratefully accepted. Contributions should be emailed to the editor at p.archer@xtra.co.nz. Please note that the final date for acceptance of items will be **16 Mar 2020**. *Peter Archer, Editor.*

ON THE PROPOSED ABORTION LAW:

A [statement from Nathaniel Centre](#) regarding the Abortion Bill that has now been reported back from Parliament's Abortion Legislation Committee. Also a statement from the [NZ Catholic Bishops](#) sent out on 19-February, on the same issue can be found online:

NZ.Catholic.org/media-releases/abortion-law/

ABORTION RECOVERY:

Living in Colour will commence in early March for 8 life changing weeks. Here is a chance to work confidentially with others to address anger, depression, sadness and the secrecy that often accompanies abortion. 2-3 hours per week and some homework involved.

'I never realised until I did this course, how my life had been impacted by my decision. Facing these things has given me a fresh hope for the future.'

If you would like more information please contact Barbara Hill confidentially, 027 578 7458.

ARE YOU HOUSEBOUND?

If you are housebound and/or would like a visit from the clergy please contact the parish office.

ARE BEING ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL?

If you are being admitted to Tauranga Hospital and would like a visit from a Hospital Chaplain, please ensure you enter on the admission form you are a Roman Catholic or alternatively, let the parish office know so we can arrange a visit.

RETREATS IN THE HAMILTON DIOCESE:

Feeling rushed off your feet, in need of a spiritual wheel-alignment? Take time away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life and re-connect with Christ by going on a silent retreat. Held at the Tyburn Monastery in Ngakuru, there are a variety of styles and dates to suit different availability. Visit www.cdh.org.nz/events to see a full list of retreats on offer this year and to register.

GIVING BACK PROGRAM:

If you are able to provide a meal/s, Please take a plastic container from the STM Church foyer, date and label the contents and return it to the freezer. **NOTE:** The parish freezer will be now kept in the staff room (i.e. next to the Working Sacristy). If you have a meal/s to put in the freezer, OR require a meal/s, please come to the office or see Fr Stuart or Deacon Henk. Thank you.

BELOVED MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

3-5 April:

Take a weekend away to spend some quality time with your spouse. The weekend is held at Tyburn Monastery, Ngakuru. For more information about this weekend, visit

www.cdh.org.nz/events

READINGS for the 1st Sunday of Lent, 1 March 2020:

1. Genesis 2:7-9,3:1-7 2. Romans 5:12-19

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

MASS INTENTIONS: If you wish to have a Mass offered, please complete the card in the STM Church foyer or alternatively phone the office to arrange. Mass offering envelopes are available in the foyer also. Mass intention cards are available for purchase from the parish office.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon	
Tues	Eddie RIP
Wed	Monsignor Des McCarthy RIP
Thurs	Fr Graeme Alexander 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
(Liturgy of Word)

Tuesday
9am Mt

Wednesday
9am Mt
& Benediction

Thursday
9am Mt &
9am TP*
(Liturgy of Word)

Friday
9am Mt

ROSARY
After 9am Mass
at Mt Mon to Fri

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