

2021 SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM:

Preparation for children receiving the Sacraments will commence earlier in 2021 beginning in the new school term in **February**.

A **parents/caregivers only** meeting will be on **Thurs, 4 Feb** at 7.00pm. The children from this year that still need to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation will also be included at the Confirmation Mass which will take place on **23 May** with the Bishop. These children will be followed up with a refresher class in preparation.

Please register your child(ren) early through the website using the on-line submission form in the Sacraments section.

Criteria is children year 4 upwards, 9 years plus, (a child under 9 may be eligible, it will depend on their level of faith commitment).

REGISTRATIONS WILL CLOSE 31 JANUARY 2021

For further information contact the office at All Saints by the Sea between the hours of 9am and noon, Mon to Fri, or email pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz, it is preferable that you use the online form.

PARISH NAME TAGS: For those that requested name tags, they are available for collection in the STM Church foyer (on bench). If you do not have a name tag, please advise the office & we will print one for you.

COVID 19 TRACER APP: We encourage the use of the Covid tracer app. Please scan your phone at the entrance to the Church every time. Thank you.

FOOD BANK: The Foodbank is struggling to meet demand to assist families & this time of Covid and in the spirit of Christmas giving we are urging parishioners to support the Foodbank. If you are able, please contribute a food item/s to support those in need or alternatively, a cash donation can be left in the collection basket marked Foodbank or left in the office. Donations of non-perishable food items are needed. There is a cane basket in the church foyer for food donations.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: **Just got engaged?** Visit <https://www.cdh.org.nz/marriage> for info on marriage preparation course dates and to register your interest.

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



All Saints by the Sea
Papamōa Coast

2nd Sunday of Advent 6 December 2020

No 9am Masses at STM on MONDAY or SATURDAY.

A Requiem Mass will be held on Mon, 7 Dec at 12.00 noon for Brian Cotter. There will be no 9.00am Mass on Thurs, 10 Dec. There will be a Liturgy with Holy Communion.

ADVENT:

A reminder to use the Formed resource we have available. If you have previously logged on you should be able to access the resources easily, if not log on to allsaintsbythesea.formed.org and you should be asked for a parish code which is **GNQDK3**.

There is also an Advent and Christmas resource for families, you which you can access on the parish website via 'useful links'.

I hope you find this material a rewarding part of your journey to Christmas.
Fr Stuart

COLLECTION: Please note the collection bags will be circulated at Mass from this weekend. It would be helpful if some parishioners would offer at each Mass to assist with the collection, if you are shoulder tapped to assist please willingly assist. (after each Mass the bag handles will be sanitised)

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR CHRISTMAS:

We are seeking volunteers to assist with the Christmas Masses:

24 December:

4.30pm family Mass & the 11.30pm Vigil Mass

25 December:

9am Christmas Day Mass.

Please fill in the clipboard in STM church foyer if you can assist.

You will be contacted. **Positions vacant:**

- **Readers**
- **EMCs**
- **Greeters/Welcomers**
- **Health & Safety officers**
- **Collectors (for baskets)**

ADVANCE NOTICE: HOSPITALITY SUNDAY Sun, 20 Dec: Please bring a plate of Christmas goodies to share after the 9.30am Mass.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: DEE ST SHOP, MT MAUNGANUI:

We "Help People" in our local community, all our shops provide the funds for what we do to help people in our community, our funds stay here in WBOP Tauranga and when you volunteer with us you are helping families in need, we are looking for volunteers for our Mount store in Dee Street. Please contact Sonje (store Manager) on 07 574 9423 or call in she would love to see you.

CWL CHRISTMAS LUNCH is on **Thurs, 10 Dec** at 12 noon. To be held in the John Paul lounge at St Thomas More church center. Reminders: Your salad or sweet plate and some cash for the raffles (\$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00).

THANK YOU to those who have donated fruit to parishioners, provided meals, baked shortbread, donated Christmas gifts, given religious plaques and to all those who support the Church in countless other ways and donate your time. Your kindness is appreciated by many.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP NEWS:

"On the Edge" are meeting for a pre-Christmas lunch will be held at Heather & Peter Archer's place at 23A Jasmine Place Mt Maunganui **today, Sun, 6 Dec** from 11.30 am. Please bring a small salad. Contact Bev Roach.

St Patricks Family Group meeting **Sun, 13 Dec** for finger food lunch at 11 Kairua Rd at 12 noon. Any queries ph Merrilyn 575 4148.

DOVE: Theme - Don't forget to remember. Bless the Lord, O my soul; all that is within me, Bless his Holy name. All women are very welcome. Come and have some time out with the Lord before Christmas. **Tues, 8 Dec**, 6.45 for 7pm start at Aquinas College chapel, Pyes Pa Rd, Tauranga. Contact Sue 027 275 1383.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL will be selling their Christ in Christmas Cards in the foyer this weekend. Packs of 5 cards for \$3.00.

GIVING BACK PROGRAM: If you require a meal, or know someone who needs a meal or two, they are available to those in need. If you know of anyone that needs a meal due to ill health or new baby please come to the office or see Fr Stuart or Deacon Henk.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH: If you wish to make a donation, there is an 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.

BAPTISM: We welcome Ezekiel Mourits to the Catholic faith who is receiving the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

Christmas Eve, 24 December :

Family Mass: Mass at STM 4.30pm; Carols at 4.00pm
Children are encouraged to come dressed as part of the nativity scene.

Mass at Te Puke 5.00pm

Mass at STM 11.30pm; Carols at 11.00pm;

Christmas Day: 25 December :

Mass at STM at 9.00am Please note TIME (not 9.30am)

No Masses at 26 December

ARE YOU BEING ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL? If you are admitted to Tauranga Hospital and would to be visited by a hospital chaplain and or receive Holy Communion, please let the parish office know so this can be arranged. Please also ensure you enter on the Hospital Admittance form that you are a **Roman Catholic**.

READINGS for 13 Dec, 3rd Sunday of Advent

1. Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11 2. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

GOSPEL: John 1:6-8,19-28

STM WEEKDAY MASS MINISTRIES ROSTER FOR READERS OF THE WORD: THIS WEEK — Tues, 8 Dec WEEK TWO (2nd Tues of the month).

MASS INTENTIONS: If you wish to have a Mass offered, please complete the card in the STM Church foyer or alternatively email the office to arrange. Mass offering envelopes are available in the foyer also. Please drop the envelope and card into the parish office. You will be contacted if the date is not available.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon	
Tues	Arthur & June McGill RIP
Wed	Andrew Poole RIP
Thurs	
Fri	Judy Cameron
Sun	All Saints by the Sea Parish

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Mt Maunganui
9.30am & 5pm

Te Puke
Saturday Vigil 5pm
at Anglican Church

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES
at Mt Maunganui
(subject to change)

Monday
No Services

Tuesday
9am

Wednesday
9am
& Benediction

Thursday
9am

Friday
9am

ROSARY
After 9am Mass
at Mt Maunganui
Tues to Sat

RECONCILIATION
Wed to Friday (Mt)
8.30am to 8.45am.

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